

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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CONSTRUCTION OF COAST GUARD AIR-SQUADRON COMPLEX
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government had acquired land in Kolkata for construction of coast guard air-squadron complex;
- (b) if so, when the land was acquired and the cost thereof;
- (c) the reasons for delay in constructing the said complex; and
- (d) the time by which the construction work of this complex is likely to be started?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) The land was taken over on 29th March 1996 at a total cost of Rs. 15.86 crores.
- (c) Due to induction of an additional Helicopter squadron, need for additional office and married accommodation and other changes in construction that were necessitated, the project got delayed.
- (d) The building construction is likely to start within a year.