

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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ORDNANCE FACTORIES

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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantum of defence production made by the ordnance factories vis-à-vis the defence requirements;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to modernise and expand the ordnance factories;
- (c) if so, the details thereof including the plan, if any, to utilize the acquired land in Badmal ordnance factory for expansion;
- (d) the funds earmarked, allocated and spent on the modernisation programme separately and the future action plan to achieve the required level of indigenisation of defence systems;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to set up new ordnance factories in this regard; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI M.M. PALLAM RAJU)

(a) The quantum of defence production made by Ordnance

Factories for last three years is given below:

Year Value of Issues
(Rs. in crores)

2007-2008 5757

2008-2009 6083

2009-2010 8720

(b) Ordnance Factories are being modernised continuously to keep pace with development of technology. Army & MHA have recently indicated long term requirements, which are substantially higher than the present production level. As such, OFB has undertaken action to augment the capacity wherever required.

(c) & (d): The planned investment for modernisation of Plant & Machinery in Ordnance Factories in 11th & 12th Plan and cumulative expenditure upto January 2010 are furnished as under:

Investment Planned Cumulative Planned
Plan for expenditure Expenditure expenditure
modern- during XIth Upto January during XIIth
ization Plan 2010 during Plan
(Rupees in XI th Plan (Rupees in
Crore) (Rupees in crore)
crore)

1,707.50 970.24 2,100

At present, no expansion is planned at OF Badmal.

(e) & (f): At present, there is no proposal to set up a new ordnance factory.