

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

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DEFENCE TECHNOLOGY COMMISSION  
Thamaraiselvan Shri R.

**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up a Defence Technology Commission on the lines of Atomic Energy Commission;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, including its mandate and composition;
- (c) the benefits likely to accrue from setting up of the Commission; and
- (d) the time by which the said proposal is likely to be realised?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (d): Yes, Madam. The Government has accepted the recommendation of the Rama Rao Committee for setting up of a Defence Technology Commission. The Commission will be headed by Raksha Mantri with members drawn from Armed forces, Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Finance, Department of Atomic Energy, Department of Space, etc. The Commission will be mandated to provide policy guidelines to Defence R&D Organisation with the ultimate benefit of enhanced self reliance in Defence preparedness. The Commission is likely to be functional by February 2011.