

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3596
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OFFICERS TRAINING ACADEMY
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to establish Officers Training Academy at Gaya in Bihar;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and progress of work in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to take measures to expand and upgrade the Officers Training Academy based in Chennai; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The Cabinet Committee on Security (CCS) has approved a proposal for the establishment of Officers Training Academy (OTA) at Gaya, Bihar at an estimated cost of Rs.364 crores. Its design capacity is 750 Gentlemen Cadets (GCs). Training is being planned to commence from June 2011 by utilizing the existing infrastructure with a strength of 135 GCs. The Ministry of Defence has also approved addition/alteration-cum- special repairs to modify the existing infrastructure at Rs.21.86 crores.

(c) & (d): Yes, Madam. The Ministry of Defence has taken a decision to enhance the design capacity of OTA, Chennai from the existing 500 to 750.