

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3302

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HELICOPTER FACILITY TO PMF

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has examined the utility of induction of Indian/ foreign make helicopters for quick mobilisation of Para Military Forces (PMF) during emergency situation in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has finalised any order for supply of such helicopters;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the time by which such Helicopters are likely to be delivered by the manufacturers?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) to (e): Yes Madam;

The Government had approved the proposal (on 21.10.2008) for the procurement of 8 Dhruv helicopters from M/s Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) for the Central Para Military Forces (CPMFs). The contract for procurement of helicopters and contract for O & M of these helicopters have been signed between Ministry of Home Affairs and M/s HAL on 25.03.2009. As per contract, the delivery of first lot of 4 helicopters is scheduled during 2009-10 and the 2nd lot of 4 helicopters is scheduled to be supplied in 2010-11.