GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEFENCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3110 ANSWERED ON:29.11.2010 COAST GUARD STATIONS Jardosh Smt. Darshana Vikram;Pakkirappa Shri S.;Paranjpe Shri Anand Prakash

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the existing coast guard stations in the country;

(b) whether the Government proposes to set up new such stations in the coastal areas;

(c) if so, the locations identified for the purpose including those for the Gujarat coast;

(d) the expenditure likely to be incurred thereon; and

(e) the proposals, if any, to set up Coast Guard air station and cover the coastal areas with radar surveillance?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (e): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3110 FOR ANSWER ON 29.11.2010

There are twenty eight Coast Guard Stations in the country. Details are as under:-

State / Union Territory Number of Coast Guard Stations

Guiarat 6 Maharashtra 2 Goa 1 Karnataka 2 Kerala 3 Delhi 1 Tamil Nadu 4 Andhra Pradesh 2 Orissa 1 West Bengal 1 Andaman & Nicobar Islands 4 Lakshadweep 1 TOTAL 28

Coast Guard Stations are being sanctioned based on assessment of vulnerability gaps in coastal security. Government have approved fourteen new stations which include Pipavav and Mundra on the Gujarat coast. The other locations are at Ratnagiri, Dahanu, Minicoy, Androth, Karaikal, Nizampatnam, Krishnapatnam, Gopalpur, Kolkata, Frazerganj, Mayabunder and Kamorta. Government have also recently approved establishment of two Air Stations. Provision of Infrastructure, assets and equipments for Coast Guard Stations/Air Stations and installation of radars for coastal surveillance and security is an ongoing process based on requirements and for which adequate funds are provided.