

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5226

ANSWERED ON:05.09.2011

UPGRADATION OF COAST GUARDS

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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the steps being taken for modernization/upgradation of the Coast Guard;

(b) the details of the acquisitions being made for the Coast Guard and the funds allocated/utilized for the purpose during the last three years; and

(c) whether some foreign countries in the Indian Ocean have sought surveillance assistance from the Government and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (c): A Statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5226 FOR ANSWER ON 5.9.2011

Modernisation of Coast Guard Units including assets and equipments is an ongoing process based on requirement for which adequate funds are provided. Budgetary allocations under Capital Head for the financial years 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11 were Rs.516.82 crores, 834.31 crores and 1101.00 crores respectively. During the last three years, a total of 15 Ships/Boats and 7 Aircrafts including Helicopters have been inducted into service.