

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:932  
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COAST GUARD STATIONS  
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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether there is a proposal of setting up of Coast Guard stations along the coastline of Gujarat; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the stations proposed for South Gujarat in view of the major and critical industrial complexes being located in this region?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE(SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) & (b): Coast Guard stations at a particular place are set up after taking into account the threat perception, vulnerability gap analysis and presence of other stations in the vicinity. There are seven Coast Guard stations located at Gandhinagar, Porbandar, Okha, Jakhau, Vadinar, Mundra and Veraval. There is an Air Enclave at Porbandar.

Government has also accorded approval for setting up a Coast Guard station at Pipavav in Gujarat.

A Regional Headquarters (North West) at Gandhinagar has also been established in Gujarat to monitor coastal security for Gujarat. There are naval stations at Okha, Jamnagar and Porbandar. Further, under centrally sponsored Coastal Security Scheme Phase I, ten coastal police stations have been established and twelve additional coastal police stations have been sanctioned under Phase II of the scheme including in South Gujarat. The Indian Coast Guard have been conducting security operations and exercises off the Gujarat Coast as also awareness campaigns in fishing villages in Gujarat on a regular basis. Joint patrol with Navy, Marine police, customs and other stakeholders are being undertaken regularly. Seven radar stations have been approved on Gujarat coast including in South Gujarat.