

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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TRANSPORT FACILITY FOR VEHICLE FACTORY
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken cognisance of the problems in the present transport arrangement for the transport of vehicles manufactured in the Heavy Vehicle Factory, Jabalpur to the army depots;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has outsourced the transport arrangements to a private party or made alternative arrangements; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI M.M. PALLAM RAJU)

(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) The mode of transport of vehicles from Vehicle Factory Jabalpur (VFJ) is through a transportation contract under which the transporters provide drivers for carrying the vehicle through self propulsion to various Army depots in the country. The problem faced earlier was inadequate capacity of the transporter that led to accumulation of vehicles at VFJ at the beginning of financial year 2011-12.

(c) Yes, Madam. VFJ has now selected reputed vendors with adequate capacity through open tender enquiry and stringent qualification norms. The selected vendors are now able to provide adequate number of drivers as per requirement of VFJ. Moreover at times of exigency, VFJ approaches Army HQ to provide MIL RAKES for transporting vehicles to Army depots in time.

(d) Presently 7 transporters are engaged for various Army Depots. The details of transporters are as under:

1. M/s Agarwal Packers & Movers, New Delhi.
2. M/s Bakshi Engg., New Delhi.
3. M/s Sachin Enterprise, Jabalpur.
4. M/s Allied Transport, Pune.
5. M/s Din Dayal Tilwani, Jabalpur.
6. M/s Chaturvedi Transport, Jabalpur.
7. M/s Kataria Transport, Ahmedabad.