

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4058
ANSWERED ON:03.08.2009
ANNANDALE HELIPAD GROUND OF SHIMLA
Kashyap Shri Virender;Thakur Shri Anurag Singh

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Union Government proposes to hand over the Annandale Helipad Ground of Shimla to the State Government of Himachal Pradesh;
- (b) if so,the details thereof;
- (c) Whether the joint inspection of the said ground in regard to transfer is likely to take place;
- (d) if so,the details thereof;and
- (e) the time by which the said ground will be handed over to the State Government?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE(SHRI A.K. Antony)

(a) to(e): The matter regarding handing over of Annandale Ground to the State Government is under consideration.A joint inspection of the said ground was undertaken on 8th july,2009 along with the officials of the Government of Himachal Pradesh.Considering the requirements for utilization of Annandale Ground by the State Government,it was decided to explore and identify suitable alternate land for the Army before handing over the said Ground to the State Government.