

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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COAST GUARD STATIONS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is proposed to increase the Coast Guard stations in different coastal areas to address the security gap along the Indian coastline;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, inter-alia indicating the Coast Guard stations that are proposed to be set up on coast to boost up security including the Karnataka coast;
- (c) whether it is also proposed to modernize these stations with interceptor boats etc.; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (d): Yes, Madam. 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 / coastal marine police stations in the vicinity under hub and spoke concept. Six additional stations have been sanctioned at Pipavav (Gujarat), Nizampatnam (Andhra Pradesh), Gopalpur (Odisha), Frazerganj (West Bengal), Mayabunder & Kamorta (both in A&N Islands). Modernisation of the stations is an ongoing process which includes provision of interceptor boats etc.