GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEFENCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:478 ANSWERED ON:26.11.2012 ALLOTMENT OF DEFENCE LAND Viswanathan Shri P.

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the total area of Defence lands allocated to various individual / societies for construction of houses for service / ex-service personnel;

(b) the number of societies which violated the land allotment norms released by his Ministry during the last three years;

(c) whether the Government proposes to take action against Adarsh Group Housing Society, Mumbai for violating the land allotment norms and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the number of the serving senior / retired Army officers who were allotted flats in the Adarsh Housing society; and

(e) whether the allotment are proposed to be cancelled and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) & (b): Defence land is not being allotted to individuals / societies for construction of house for services / ex-service personnel. However, the State Government of Maharashtra had allotted land at Colaba, Mumbai measuring about 3824 square meters, which was in possession of Army since long, to Adarsh Co-operative Housing Society.

(c) Allegations with regard to allotment of land to Adarsh Co-operative Housing Society, Mumbai were entrusted to CBI by the Government for thorough investigation. After investigation a charge sheet has been filed against certain persons.

(d) Twenty-One serving / retired Army officers were allotted flats in the Adarsh Housing Society.

(e) The matter is sub-judice.