

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:645
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COAST GUARD AIRPORT
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a proposal to set up a Coast Guard Airport in Lakshadweep Islands;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the stipulated time period for completion of the airport?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (c): Government has approved the setting up of Coast Guard Air Enclave at Minicoy on 30th September 2010. 20 acres of land has been identified for the said purpose and the proposal for acquisition of the land is in progress. The Airport will be operationalised in due course after obtaining necessary clearances / approvals.