

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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SURVEILLANCE IN COASTAL AREAS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to procure surveillance aircrafts for security of the sea coast of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the amount of funds proposed to be spent by the Government for this purpose; and
- (d) the time by which these aircrafts are likely to be provided to the Indian Coast Guard?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

- (a) Yes, Madam.
- (b) & (c): A contract has been signed with M/s HAL in March, 2010 for procurement of 12 surveillance aircrafts fitted with state of the art sensors, at a total contract cost of Rs.1102 Crore.
- (d) Six aircraft have already been delivered to ICG and the remaining six are scheduled for delivery by March, 2014.