

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3413  
ANSWERED ON:18.03.2013  
MODERNISATION OF NAVAL AIR BASE  
Sugavanam Shri E.G.

**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to expand and modernize the Naval air base at Karwar;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the estimated cost of the project; and
- (c) the time by which the said project is likely to be taken up and the expected time of completion thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (c): Yes Madam, expansion has been designed keeping in view the changes in geo-political environment and strategic considerations for a creditable maritime strategy in pursuance of our national objectives. Expenditure is proposed to be in tune with the necessitated expansion for national objectives. A time frame has been fixed for completion by 2021.