

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:141  
ANSWERED ON:30.11.2009  
PERFORMANCE OF ORDNANCE FACTORIES  
Vardhan Shri Harsh

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

- (a) whether factory-wise targets have been laid down for the various ordnance factories in the country;
- (b) if so, whether the targets have been achieved by them including the Jabalpur Vehicle Factory during the last three years;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Ordnance Factory Board has recently reviewed the production capacity/performance of the ordnance factories; and
- (e) if so, the action being taken to ensure full utilization of the capacity to achieve self-reliance in defence production and also make them export-oriented?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE(SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 141 FOR ANSWER ON 30.11.2009

The factory-wise targets and achievements for last three years including Vehicle Factory Jabalpur are given in Annexure-I. The targets have by and large been achieved except in a few factories. The details are given in Annexure-II.

The review of performance of various Ordnance Factories is carried out on a regular basis at Ordnance Factory Board. The last performance review was done on 19th & 20th November 2009. Performance is also being reviewed by the Ministry of Defence regularly.

As indicated above, performance of the factories is being monitored regularly to ensure capacity utilization. Action has also been taken to modernize the factories and to upgrade the level of technology to meet the requirements of the armed forces.

Ordnance Factories are mainly intended for meeting the requirements of the armed forces. The available spare capacity, if any, is utilized for exports.