## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEFENCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1651 ANSWERED ON:16.12.2013 DEFENCE UNIVERSITY Singh Shri Ravneet

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

- (a) whether there is any proposal to establish a University to impart training education in respect of defence and strategic matters exclusively;
- (b) if so, the details and the salient features thereof including the Act / Rules under which it will be established;
- (c) the details of the expenditure likely to be incurred on setting up of the said university; and
- (d) the time by which the academic session of the said university is likely to be started?

## **Answer**

## MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

- (a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The Indian National Defence University (INDU) will be set up as a fully autonomous institution to be constituted under an Act of Parliament to develop and propagate higher education in the field of Defence Studies, Defence Management, Defence Science & Technology and promote policy oriented research on all aspects relating to National Security and Strategy. Educational Consultant of India Limited (EdCIL) has been appointed as consultant for preparation of Detailed Project Report, Layout Plan and Act & Statues for setting up of the university.
- (c) An estimated expenditure of Rs.295 Crore (at the rates of year 2010) for setting up the university and Rs.162 Crore (at current rates) for the acquisition of land is likely to be incurred.
- (d) It is projected that the establishment of Indian National Defence University and its constituents will be spread over seven years.