

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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JAPAN S MILITARY BASE IN AFRICA
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that Japanese Self Defence Force (SDF) is planning to extend the mandate of its military base at Djibouti into a full-fledged and permanent multi-purpose base;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the proposed move by Japanese SDF will enhance development of maritime co-operation and boost bilateral strategic relations between India and Japan; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI MANOHAR PARRIKAR)

- (a) No, Madam.
- (b) to (d): Do not arise.