

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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Shooting Ranges
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of shooting ranges constructed nearby various cities in the country along with its areas, State / UT-wise;
- (b) the number of shooting ranges for which buffer range has been fixed along with the criteria fixed for the purpose;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to bring any change in the buffer range for certain shooting ranges in the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI MANOHAR PARRIKAR)

- (a) The total number of Long Range, Field Firing Range and Air to Ground Firing Ranges in the country operated by the defence forces are 81. It is not in interest of national security to disclose other details of these ranges.
- (b) The safety area (referred to as buffer area) is contingent upon the ammunition, weapon and the distance from which the weapon is being employed. The safety areas (buffer area) is encompassed within the boundary of the Field Firing Ranges.
- (c) No, Madam.
- (d) Does not arise.
