

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3310  
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AEROSPACE UNIVERSITY  
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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to establish an Aerospace University for meeting manpower shortfall in the Aerospace Industry;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the time by which the project is likely to commence and the location identified for the university;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to expand its collaboration with existing universities for research, programmes and industry focused post-graduate and doctoral degrees in aerospace technologies; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (RAO INDERJIT SINGH) IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

- (a) The Board of Directors of Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) in its 377th Meeting held on 30.8.2014 has approved the establishment of a Registered Society as a not-for-profit category one, with the objective to establish a Meta University.
- (b) The society will give shape to detailed requirements of establishing the University and submit Detailed Project Report (DPR) to the Board of HAL and subsequently to the relevant Ministries for consideration and approval.
- (c) & (d): The HAL is expanding its collaboration with existing Universities for Research Programs.