

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3564
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03rd April, 2023
DEFENCE INDUSTRIAL CORRIDOR

3564 SHRI SANJAY SINGH:

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government had planned to set up two defence industrial production corridors in the country in the year 2018;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the investment, land acquisition, time schedule, actual status, funds allocated and released for the development and advancement of the corridors; and
- (d) the reasons for delay in the construction of corridor in the State of Uttar Pradesh and the percentage of work completed so far?

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MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(SHRI AJAY BHATT)

(a) to (d): Government of India has set up two Defence Industrial Corridors (DICs) in order to attract total investment worth Rs. 20,000 crore by the year 2024-25 for defence industries, develop domestic supply chain and strengthen defence manufacturing ecosystem in the country. In Uttar Pradesh Defence Industrial Corridor (UPDIC), there are 06 nodes namely, Aligarh, Agra, Jhansi, Kanpur, Chitrakoot & Lucknow, and in Tamil Nadu Defence Industrial Corridor (TNDIC) 05 nodes namely, Chennai, Hosur, Coimbatore, Salem & Tiruchirappalli. Uttar Pradesh Expressways Industrial Development Authority (UPEIDA) is the nodal agency for UPDIC and Tamil Nadu Industrial Development Corporation (TIDCO) is the nodal agency for TNDIC. Both the States have promulgated their respective Aerospace & Defence Policy to attract investments in DICs.

As per available information, 108 Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) have been signed with industry/organization in UPDIC having potential investment of Rs. 12,191 crore. Investment of Rs. 2,445 crore has been made and 1611 Hectare of lands has been acquired so far for development of UPDIC. Further, in Tamil Nadu, arrangements have been made through MoUs etc with 53 industries for potential investment of Rs. 11,794 crore. Investment worth Rs. 3,894 crore has been made and 910 Hectare of land has been acquired so far for development of TNDIC.

The DICs have been established to develop a holistic defence manufacturing ecosystem which is a progressive and ongoing process.
