GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DEFENCE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3150

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 14TH MARCH, 2018

ESTABLISHMENT OF ORDNANCE FACTORIES

3150. SHRI SANKAR PRASAD DATTA:

SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE:

SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE:

SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE j{kk ea=h be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to establish new ordnance factories in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has any proposal for modernization of Ordnance Factories to encourage indigenous production of defence equipment;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which the modernization of Ordnance Factories is likely to be initiated and completed;
- (d) the details of the annual production and turnover of the Ordnance Factories across the country during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (e) whether the Government has received complaints of supply of sub-standard material to Ordnance Factories during the said period;
- (f) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and the reasons therefor along with the corrective steps taken / being taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (g) the other steps taken / being taken by the Government to improve the functioning of the Ordnance Factories in the country?

<u>A N S W E R</u>
MINISTER OF STATE (DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
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(a) At present, there is no proposal for establishing any new Ordnance Factory in the country.

- (b) & (c): Yes, Madam. Modernization of Ordnance Factories is an ongoing process with an objective to create, maintain and modernize all the capital assets, with appropriate contemporary technology for indigenous production of Defence equipment.
- (d) The annual production and turnover of Ordnance Factories across the country during each of the last three years and the current year, Statewise is enclosed as Annexure-I.
- (e) & (f): Ordnance Factory Board has received complaints of supply of sub-standard material to Ordnance Factories during each of the last three years and the current year as brought out at Annexure-II.
- (g) Ordnance Factory Board has been granted functional and financial powers for improving the functioning of Ordnance Factories.

ANNEXURE-I REFERRED IN THE REPLY GIVEN IN PART (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3150 FOR ANSWER ON 14.03.2018 Annual Production and Turnover of the Ordnance Factories during the last three years and the current year, State -wise

Value in Crore

SL. NO.	YEAR	2014	-15	2015	-16	2016-17			7-18 -03-2018)
	Factory	Production	Turnover	Production	Turnover	Production	Turnover	Production	Turn Over
	Union Teriotory : Chandigarh							·	
1	Ordnance Cable Factory Chandigarh	64.13	64.13	58.58	69.61	74.31	83.23	73.38	89.04
	STATE: UTTARAKHAND						•		
2	Ordnance Factory Dehradun	130.17	130.17	152.82	177.60	243.63	274.96	212.63	255.53
3	Opto Electronics Factory, Dehradun	222.89	222.89	434.97	490.40	726.77	816.87	785.52	927.89
	STATE : UTTAR PRADESH								
4	Ordnance Factory Muradnagar	203.35	203.35	232.73	262.88	249.12	282.17	242.63	271.68
5	Ordnance Clothing Factory Shahjahanpur	441.22	441.22	634.15	634.15	691.72	710.40	497.03	542.36
6	Ordnance Equipment Factory Hazratpur	111.46	111.46	150.16	150.16	200.68	207.14	161.33	170.52
7	Ordnance Factory Kanpur	561.13	561.13	643.07	713.81	718.15	801.41	370.86	425.54
8	Small Arms Factory,Kanpur	149.27	149.27	179.89	196.81	197.75	211.90	133.63	160.30
9	Field Gun Factory Kanpur	242.61	242.61	275.53	307.36	280.81	295.33	154.85	182.82
10	Ordnance Equipment Factory Kanpur	462.39	462.39	548.27	595.07	655.66	712.30	457.10	518.03
11	Ordnance Parachute Factory,Kanpur	166.49	166.49	234.79	240.21	289.45	295.14	150.03	169.96
12	Ordnance Factory Project Korwa	-	-	7.46	8.22	9.85	10.54	12.05	15.76

	STATE :BIHAR								
13	Ordnance Factory Nalanda	-	-	6.02	7.86	56.28	63.11	142.49	164.61
	STATE :MADHYA PRADESH							<u> </u>	
14	Ordnance Factory Katni	252.00	252.00	284.04	314.72	244.28	276.04	157.90	176.85
15	Vehicle Factory Jabalpur	1288.28	1288.28	977.56	1057.85	1363.25	1529.14	1023.26	1307.20
16	Grey Iron Foundry,Jabalpur	95.72	95.72	150.11	169.54	175.00	198.97	129.67	152.86
17	Gun Carriage Factory, Jabalpur	513.23	513.23	605.08	658.34	623.06	687.89	489.03	592.83
18	Ordnance Factory Khamaria	1410.40	1410.40	1848.23	2071.37	1508.56	1645.35	1030.13	1204.35
19	Ordnance Factory Itarsi	223.66	223.66	274.11	286.84	213.92	240.48	208.16	244.63
	STATE :WEST BENGAL			,					
20	Rifle Factory Ishapore	303.53	303.53	295.80	321.43	319.02	350.14	253.05	296.22
21	Metal and Steel Factory	435.09	435.09	475.15	529.94	523.86	594.82	358.07	420.26
22	Gun and Shell Factory	517.48	517.48	599.15	666.92	710.59	789.93	482.28	575.97
23	Ordnance Factory Dumdum	130.78	130.78	133.19	148.92	143.16	162.25	119.18	139.54
	STATE :MAHARASHTRA							<u> </u>	
24	Machine Tool Prototype Factory,Ambernath	164.23	164.23	189.11	222.77	228.74	248.00	198.69	219.57
25	Ordnance Factory Ambernath	567.00	567.00	527.78	585.40	477.37	539.42	388.15	454.04
26	Ammunition Factory Khadki	896.04	896.04	901.48	1036.90	1042.24	1143.47	745.96	870.19
27	High Explosive Factory,Khadki	193.39	193.39	231.86	253.09	236.30	274.20	129.27	151.48
28	Ordnance Factory Dehu Road	294.85	294.85	257.67	289.27	272.76	316.91	186.21	211.75
29	Ordnance Factory Bhandara	322.93	322.93	374.31	411.74	345.25	388.41	240.85	276.98
30	Ordnance Factory Chandrapur	1336.61	1336.61	1529.01	1680.29	1349.73	1511.41	967.17	1108.60
31	Ordnance Factory Varangaon	477.48	477.48	531.37	569.19	429.08	459.05	345.56	403.29
32	Ordnance Factory Bhusawal	131.94	131.94	143.99	160.87	177.72	200.89	154.17	180.26
33	Ordnance Factory Ambajhari	740.47	740.47	931.93	991.92	925.87	1041.27	718.94	838.04
	STATE :ODISHA	HA					1		
34	Ordnance Factory Bolangir	819.82	819.82	911.60	997.79	1094.49	1180.27	782.62	914.13

	STATE :TELANGANA								
35	Ordnance Factory Project Medak	697.53	697.53	815.87	878.81	885.36	965.23	697.45	783.60
	STATE: TAMILNADU								
36	Heavy Vehicle Factory, Avadi	1118.13	1118.13	1357.22	1442.70	2275.92	2614.75	2265.95	2821.76
37	Ordnance Clothing Factory, Avadi	222.80	222.80	300.29	300.29	390.24	390.24	327.17	355.67
38	Engine Factory Avadi	320.35	320.35	396.24	437.22	511.87	571.00	411.00	503.92
39	Ordnance Factory Tiruchirapalli	136.53	136.53	101.67	111.71	150.31	165.02	104.61	122.32
40	Heavy Alloy Penetrator Project, Tiruchirapalli	143.86	143.86	164.88	181.33	169.06	198.92	110.13	127.61
41	Cordite Factory Aruvankadu	154.39	154.39	185.78	209.89	210.74	239.25	241.74	284.17
	OFB TOTAL	16663.63	16663.63	19052.92	20841.19	21391.93	23687.21	16659.90	19632.13

ANNEXURE-II REFERRED IN THE REPLY GIVEN IN PARTS (e) & (f) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3150 FOR ANSWER ON 14.3.2018

vide O.M. dated 22.01.2015 regarding receipt of sub-standard material at inflated costs running into crores of rupees at Ordnance Factory Chanda, Maharashtra allegedly through some touts in league with some registered suppliers. standard material was not established in the investigation; but it was revealed that there were lacunae in the quality checks for which CVC advised for 'Counselling' to 03 officials and to issue 'Recordable Warning' to 22 officials. The CVC advice has been fully implemented. standard material was not established in the investigation; but it was revealed that there exercising of caution materials with respect to laid-down to specifications & desist from deviations outside specified tolerance advice has been fully implemented. The investigation of The vendor has	SI. No.	Year	Complaint	State	Remarks	Corrective Steps
	1.		vide O.M. dated 22.01.2015 regarding receipt of sub-standard material at inflated costs running into crores of rupees at Ordnance Factory Chanda, Maharashtra allegedly through some touts in league with some registered suppliers. CAG Report No. 35 of 2014 - Para No. 8.7 regarding Acceptance of defective Stores before Bulk Production Clearance (BPC) at Ordnance Factory	MAHARASHTR	standard material was not established in the investigation; but it was revealed that there were lacunae in the quality checks for which CVC advised for 'Counselling' to 03 officials and to issue 'Recordable Warning' to 22 officials. The CVC advice has been fully implemented. The investigation of CAG para was taken up by OFB/VIO during 2017. The investigation report revealed that 1000 nos. of Empties of Influence Mine Anti Tank Adrushy MK-II were supplied and accepted at Ordnance Factory Chanda before the Bulk Production Clearance given by the User and the same were found to be defective. Further investigation is going on to find responsibility of	advisory circular dt. 28.09.2015 across the Organization regarding exercising of caution during acceptance of materials with respect to laid-down specifications & desist from deviations outside specified tolerance levels. The vendor has agreed to replace the defective supplies.

3.		Forwarded by CBI/ACB Nagpur on 24.11.2015 regarding attempt by the vendor to re-supply the same rejected lot of Cotton Yarn NE 2/2.		Case was discovered by factory personnel and suitable disciplinary action taken on errant individual. Vendor was deregistered and Supply Order cancelled.	
4.	2016-17	Forwarded by CBI/AGB Jabalpur on 28.07.2016 regarding alleged supply of duplicate spare parts (bearings) by M/s Sidh Sales Syndicate required for the manufacture of 155mm Dhanush to Gun Carriage Factory, Jabalpur.	M A D H Y A P R A D E S H	Investigation by CVO/OFB did not reveal any complicity of any officials in the supply of duplicate bearings to Gun Carriage Factory, Jabalpur. Case has been forwarded to CBI for investigation regarding supply of the duplicate Chinese bearings in place of bearings from Germany. CBI has registered FIR dated 19.07.2017, which is under the process of investigation.	for 6 months.

5.	2017-18	Received. from CVC vide O.M. dt. 08.05.2017 regarding receipt of substandard and inferior critical input material required in the production of anti-personnel ammunition i.e. Hand Grenade at High Explosive Factory, Khadki, Maharashtra.	M A H A R A S H T R	Investigation did not reveal that sub-standard and inferior critical input material was accepted. But it emerged that there were lacunae in quality checks and procedures.	advice.
6.	2017-18	CTE-type inspection recommended by CVO/OFB in which it was found that prisms which were procured from trade sources were not tested at the Quality Control Section, rather acceptance was based on feedback from the User section after function/fitment trials.	U T A R A K H A N	1	The consolidated case is being sent to CVC.

7.	2017-18	Received from CVC	М	Under investigation.	
		vide O.M. dated 19.02.2018 regarding	۸		
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		Khadki, Maharashtra.	Α		
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