GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DEFENCE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.5502

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 28TH MARCH, 2018

NEW MILITARY STATION AT NABAGRAM

5502. SHRI ABHIJIT MUKHERJEE:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to start the new military station at Nabagram, Murshidabad and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to enhance the fire power, manpower of military station located at Siliguri, North Bengal and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has made any plan to raise a new regiment / battalion comprising hill people of Darjeeling, Sikkim as Bengal Gorkha regiment / Darjeeling Gorkha regiment; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

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MINISTER OF STATE

(DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)

IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

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- (a) Yes, Madam. Nabagram Military Station is planned as a green field project on 250 acres of defence land.
- (b) Military capacity enhancement of Indian army is a continuous process, which takes into account the existing and emerging challenges / threats. Accordingly, new Military Stations and accretion of manpower is approved from time to time to maintain requisite force levels and operational preparedness of the Indian Army.
- (c) & (d): Post independence, it has been the policy of Government not to raise any new Regiment based on particular class, caste, creed, community, religion or region.
