

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEPARTMENT OF SPACE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 664

TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2020

SPACE LAUNCH CENTRE IN TAMIL NADU

664. SHRIMATI KANIMOZHI KARUNANIDHI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of Kulasekarapattinam Space launch centre in Thoothukkudi District of the State of Tamil Nadu;**
- (b) whether the land acquisition for the project has started; and**
- (c) if so, the expected timeframe for the completion of the same and further infrastructure building for the space launch centre?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PG &
PENSIONS AND IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE**

(DR. JITENDRA SINGH):

- (a) Land acquisition by Government of Tamilnadu is in progress at Madhavankurichi, Padukkapathu and Pallakurichi villages of Thoothukkudi district, Tamilnadu.**
- (b) • As per the request of Department of Space, Government of Tamil Nadu vide GO number 175 dated 09.10.2019 has identified 961.66.90 Hectares (904.24.65 hectares of Patta dry land and**

57.42.25 hectares of Government Poramboke land) in Tiruchendur taluk, Thoothukudi District.

- **Out of the above, Land survey completed for 431.87.74 hectares of land and preliminary notification under section 11(1) of the Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act (RFCTLARR act) was issued vide G.O.No.167 dated 30.07.2020.**
- **Survey works for the balance area is in advanced stage.**

(c) It is expected that Government of Tamil Nadu may handover the land within a period of six months.

Normally, on taking over the land, realisation of such infrastructure may take 02 to 03 years time.
