

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2708
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10th March, 2021

DEFENCE CORRIDOR

2708. SHRI R.K. SINGH PATEL:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up a big factory/industry by developing a defence corridor in the aspirational districts of Chitrakoot and Banda in Bundelkhand region of Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the places have been identified in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the time by which the factories are likely to be established?

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MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(SHRI SHRIPAD NAIK)

(a) to (d): A statement is attached.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2708 FOR ANSWER ON 10.03.2021 REGARDING
'DEFENCE CORRIDOR'**

(a) to (d): Hon'ble Finance Minister in his Budget Speech on 1st February, 2018 announced setting up of two Defence Industrial Corridors in the Country. In pursuance to the said announcement, it has been decided to develop one such corridor in Uttar Pradesh, namely Uttar Pradesh Defence Industrial Corridor (UPDIC) with six nodes at Agra, Aligarh, Chitrakoot, Jhansi, Kanpur and Lucknow. Banda is not an identified node in UPDIC. UPDIC was launched on 11th August, 2018. During the event, investments of approximately Rs.3700 Crore were announced by Ordnance Factory Board (OFB)/Defence Public Sector Undertakings (DPSUs) & Private Industries. Till February, 2021, total investments of Rs.1007 Crore have been reported in UPDIC. Uttar Pradesh Expressways Industrial Development Authority (UPEIDA), the nodal Department of UPDIC is responsible for acquiring land in the identified nodes. Moreover, Government of Uttar Pradesh has also published their Aerospace & Defence policy to attract investment by private players as well as foreign companies including Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) in the UPDIC.
