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

STARRED QUESTION NO.195 TO BE ANSWERED ON  $10^{\rm th}$  DECEMBER, 2021

#### **DEFENCE MANUFACTURING FACILITY**

\*195. SHRIMATI GODDETI MADHAVI: SHRI SRIDHAR KOTAGIRI:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has recently operationalised the first private sector defence manufacturing facility in Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to establish such facility in the State of Andhra Pradesh;
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

### A N S W E R

MINISTER OF DEFENCE

(SHRI RAJNATH SINGH)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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# STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 195 FOR ANSWER ON 10.12.2021 REGARDING 'DEFENCE MANUFACTURING FACILITY'.

(a) & (b): Uttar Pradesh Defence Industrial Corridor (UPDIC) comprising six nodes, namely Agra, Aligarh, Chitrakoot, Jhansi, Lucknow and Kanpur, was launched in August, 2018 to attract and facilitate, investments from industries to develop a defence manufacturing ecosystem. The respective State Governments have taken action for acquisition of land and development of necessary infrastructure like road connectivity, basic amenities and security.

The Defence Industry sector was opened up to 100% for Indian private sector participation in May, 2001. So far, Government has issued a total of 556 Defence Industrial Licenses to 342 companies. Out of the 556 Defence Licenses issued in the Defence sector to be set up in various States, 66 Defence Industrial Licenses have been issued to the companies operating in Uttar Pradesh. A private sector company, namely PTC Industries Limited, has set up a new plant, namely Aerolloy Technologies Limited, at Lucknow node of the UPDIC for manufacturing of exotic, critical/super critical materials and components to be used in aerospace sector. Raksha Mantri inaugurated the said facility on 13<sup>th</sup> November, 2021.

(c) & (d): The two defence corridors in Uttar Pradesh and Tamil Nadu are intended to provide a fillip to strengthening the defence manufacturing ecosystem in India including all States. Andhra Pradesh also has its own share of Defence manufacturing facilities including Hindustan Shipyard Ltd. at Visakhapatnam & Bharat Electronics Limited at Machlipatnam. Recently, National Aluminium Company Limited (NALCO), a Central Public Sector Enterprise (CPSE) under Ministry of Mines, and Mishra Dhatu Nigam Limited (MIDHANI), a Defence Public Sector Undertaking (DPSU) under Ministry of Defence, have established a Joint Venture (JV) company, namely "Utkarsha Aluminium Dhatu Nigam Limited" in August 2019 for manufacturing of Aluminium alloys at Nellore, Andhra Pradesh.

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