GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DEFENCE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3294 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 18TH DECEMBER, 2015

AKSHAY VAT IN ALLAHABAD FORT

3294. SHRI KESHAV PRASAD MAURYA:

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

(a) whether the Government proposes to allow free access to common people / pilgrims inside the Ordnance Depot of the Allahabad fort for darshan of Akshay Vat;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which a decision in this regard is likely to be taken?

<u>ANSWER</u>

MINISTER OF DEFENCE

(SHRI MANOHAR PARRIKAR) 1/4Jh euksgj ijhZdj1/2

(a) to (c): As per available information, there are two 'Akshay Vat' trees within Allahabad Fort, one in Patalpuri temple and the other inside the Ordnance Depot Fort premises. Pilgrims have free access to 'Akshay Vat' in Patalpuri temple. The tree located inside the Ordnance Depot Fort premises is maintained by the Army. Free access to public / pilgrims inside the Ordnance Depot Fort premises is not allowed due to security reasons.
