

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.986
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 4TH DECEMBER, 2015

LAND IN CANTONMENT AREAS

986. SHRI LALUBHAI BABUBHAI PATEL:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE
be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a large proportion of land in the cantonment areas is under occupation of the various State Governments and private sector companies;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise; and
- (c) the corrective measures taken by the Government to reclaim such land?

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(a)&(b): Out of about 1.57 lakh acres of Defence land situated inside Cantonments only 15.3856 acres of Defence land is under unauthorized occupation of State Governments and about 0.0079 acres of Defence land is under occupation of one Private Sector Company. State / UT-wise list is enclosed as Annexure-‘A’.

(c) Instructions have been issued from time to time for regularization of unauthorized occupation of Defence land by State Government authorities and removal of encroachments by private parties. While such cases have been taken up with the concerned State Governments for regularization of unauthorized occupations by way of transfer of equal value land in exchange, action for removal of encroachment by private sector company on Defence land has been initiated under the provisions of Public Premises (Eviction of unauthorized occupants) Act, 1971 and Cantonment Act, 2006.

ANNEXURE-‘A’ REFERRED IN THE REPLY GIVEN IN PARTS (a) & (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 986 FOR ANSWER ON 4.12.2015

Details of Land in Cantonment areas under occupation of State Government and Private Sector Companies:

S. No.	State	Area (in acres) inside the Cantonment under unauthorized occupation of	
		State Government authorities	Private Sector Companies
1.	Bihar	0.4821	0
2.	Gujarat	0	0.0079
3.	Jammu & Kashmir	0.3552	0
4.	Jharkhand	0.6100	0
5.	Kerala	0.1000	0
6.	Madhya Pradesh	0.0454	0
7.	Maharashtra	8.4000	0
8.	Punjab	0.2193	0
9.	Rajasthan	0.3770	0
10.	Tamil Nadu	0.0680	0
11.	Telangana	0.6029	0
12.	Uttar Pradesh	4.1257	0
	Total:	15.3856	0.0079
