GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DEFENCE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2224

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 6TH MAY, 2016

COAST GUARD STATIONS

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

- (a) the total number of coast guard stations functioning in the country, State / UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has taken steps for upgrading existing coast guard stations with latest technologies;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to set up more such stations in the country; and
- (e) if so, the location-wise details thereof and the other measures taken for enhancing coastal security of the country?

(a) to (c): There are currently 42 Coast Guard stations which have been established along the coastline of the country as per the details mentioned at Annexure. The Indian Coast Guard has been suitably equipped to protect the maritime and other national interests in the maritime zones of India. Further, acquisition of new equipment, aircraft, boats and ships for Coast Guard is an ongoing process as per the threat perceptions.

(d) & (e): Presently, there is no proposal for setting-up more Coast Guard Stations. However, several measures to strengthen coastal security which include improving surveillance mechanism by installation of radars covering the country's coastline / islands and enhanced patrolling by security agencies following an integrated approach. Joint operational exercises are conducted on regular basis among Navy, Coast Guard, Coastal Police, Customs and others. Intelligence mechanism has also been streamlined through the creation of Joint Operation Centres and multi-agency coordination mechanism. Additionally, Indian Coast Guard is also organising Community Interaction Programmes (CIP) for the fishermen to bring awareness amongst fisher folk for strengthening coastal security mechanism.

ANNEXURE REFERRED IN THE REPLY GIVEN IN THE PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2224 FOR ANSWER ON 6.5.2016 COAST GUARD STATIONS FUNCTIONING IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE COUNTRY:

State / UT	Station
Gujarat	Gandhinagar
_	Porbandar
	Okha
	Jakhau
	Vadinar
	Veraval
	Mundra
	Pipavav
Maharashtra	Mumbai
	Murud Janjira
	Ratnagiri
	Dahanu
Goa	Goa
Karnataka	New Mangalore
	Karwar
Kerala	Kochi
1101010	Vizhinjam
	Beypore
Lakshadweep & Minicoy	Kavaratti
	Minicoy
	Androth
Tamil Nadu	Chennai
	Mandapam
	Tuticorin
Puducherry	Puducherry
	Karaikal
Andhra Pradesh	Vizag
	Kakinada
	Krishnapatnam
	Nizampatnam
Odhisha	Paradip
	Gopalpur
West Bengal	Haldia
Troot Bongan	Kolkata
	Frazerganj
Andaman & Nicobar	Port Blair
,,	Diglipur
	Campbell Bay
	Hutbay
	Mayabunder
	Kamorta
Delhi	New Delhi
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TOTAL: 42 Stations
