

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4892
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SHIFTING OF JOINT CIPHER BUREAU
NIVEDITA MANE

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to shift Joint Cipher Bureau (JCB) from its present location;
- (b) if so, whether the Government have received any representations in this regard;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and reaction of the Government thereto;
- (d) whether JCB is co-related/part of DRDO for whom a multistoried building project has already been started;
- (e) if so, the details in this regard;
- (f) the additional expenditure likely to be incurred by the exchequer on account of security, safety, maintenance etc. after the shifting of JCB at proposed location; and
- (g) the steps taken by the Government to check and stop such wasteful expenditure to exchequer?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR DEFENCE PRODUCTION & SUPPLIES (PROF. CHAMAN LAL GUPTA)

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) No, Sir.
- (c) Does not arise.
- (d) & (e): JCB is not part of DRDO. It is an inter-Service organisation working under the Department of Defence Research and Development.
- (f) No additional expenditure is envisaged.
- (g) Does not arise in view of reply of part (f).