

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6028
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SEA-BIRD PROJECT
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether first phase of the Project Sea-Bird has been recently inaugurated;
- (b) if so, the total expenditure incurred on the project;
- (c) whether there is any cost escalation due to delay in its completion; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

- (a) No, Sir.
- (b) Total expenditure incurred on the Project till 31st March 2005 is Rs. 1820.80 crores.
- (c) & (d): The Government has approved the revised project cost of Rs. 2459.20 crores in September, 2003. The approval stipulates completion of the project by 2005.