

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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TERRITORIAL ARMY
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to raise additional battalions of Territorial Army in the North East Region;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the expenditure likely to be incurred thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

- (a) & (b): Three additional Infantry Battalions of Territorial Army (TA) on the "Home and Hearth" concept have been approved for raising with effect from 1st November 2005, in Manipur, Nagaland and Assam – Tripura.
- (c) An estimated expenditure of Rs. 107.51 Crores is likely to be incurred on the raising of these three Battalions.