

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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DELEGATION OF FINANCIAL POWERS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided to give financial powers to Defence and Finance Ministers to expedite the decision making process with regard to different schemes; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) & (b): Powers of the Raksha Mantri have been enhanced in April 2006 from Rs. 50 crore to Rs. 100 crore and of the Finance Minister from Rs. 100crore to Rs. 200 crore for sanction of schemes/projects/acquisition of non-scaled and new items.