

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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FUNCTIONING OF MES

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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of the major/long-term projects executed by the Military Engineer Services (MES) during the last five years and proposed for the next five years;
- (b) the total estimated cost of the projects during the said period;
- (c) whether the MES is facing difficulties relating to planning and execution of the projects due to shortcomings in the existing administrative structure;
- (d) if so, whether the Government had constituted a Committee, namely, the Jaffa Committee to look into the functioning of MES;
- (e) if so, the details thereof including the recommendations made by the Committee; and
- (f) the status of implementation of the said recommendations?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

- (a) & (b): The details of major/long term projects executed by MES during the last five years are at Appendix A. Details of projects in pipeline and proposed to be executed in the next five years with anticipated cost are at Appendix B.
- (c) There is no difficulty in planning and execution of infrastructure projects with the existing administrative structure of the organization. There are, however, certain issues with regard to the establishment and interpretation of rules and procedures which are being addressed.
- (d) Does not arise in view of reply at (c) above. However the Government in 2001 had constituted Jafa Committee to look into the functioning of MES.
- (e) The details of Jafa Committee and its recommendations are at Appendix 'C'.
- (f) The status of implementation of the said recommendations is at Appendix 'D'.