

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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SEIZURE OPERATIONS OF COAST GUARD
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of poaching boats apprehended by the Coast Guard during the last three years;
- (b) the total number of ships and merchant vessels saved from distress during the said period; and
- (c) the total worth of contraband articles confiscated during the period?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (c): Indian Coast Guard apprehended 248 boats during the last three years. A total of 116 merchant vessels were provided Search and Rescue assistance during the said period which resulted in saving 333 lives at sea. Contraband articles worth Rs.37.25 lakhs approximately were confiscated during the period.