

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken adequate measures to strengthen the coastal security and surveillance mechanism;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the funds earmarked for the purpose?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE(SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (c): Government has initiated several measures to strengthen Coastal Security. For this purpose, the coastal surveillance and patrolling have been enhanced. Joint and operational exercises are conducted on regular basis among Navy, Coast Guard, Coastal Police, Customs and others to check the effectiveness of the integrated approach adopted for security of coastal areas. Further, continuous review and monitoring mechanism have been established by the Government at different levels, which include various agencies, including the State/Union Territory authorities. Necessary funds are also made available as and when required.