

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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COLLISION OF SUBMARINES
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether two kilo class diesel Submarines of Indian Navy-INS Sindhuratna and INS Sindhukesari collided at the Mumbai Naval Docks recently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the loss of lives and property therein and reasons therefor;
- (c) whether any enquiry has been ordered into the incident to ascertain the reasons; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE(SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (d): Yes, Madam. On the 20th June, 2010, two Indian Navy submarines, namely, INS Sindhuratna and INS Sindhukesari, were involved in a minor accident in the Naval harbour at Mumbai, when one of them grazed the other at a very low speed in the harbour, resulting in minor damage to both the vessels. There was no loss of life. The Navy has instituted Inquiry to investigate into the circumstances leading to the incident.