

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5196

ANSWERED ON:05.09.2011

MILITARY INFRASTRUCTURE ON BORDER

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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken cognisance of the recent intrusion by the Chinese forces in Tawang area on the border which has posed a threat to the country as reported recently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the number of occasions when the Chinese forces have intruded/attempted to intrude into the Indian territory and also resorted to provocative activities on the border during the last three years;
- (c) whether the Government is aware of the Chinese presence in Pakistan occupied Kashmir (PoK) and the massive infrastructure building programme including road/rail connectivity being undertaken there and also along the Line of Actual Control adjoining Arunachal Pradesh by China and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether there have been reports of Chinese presence in the neighbourhood of Siachen glacier also and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the action taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (f) the detailed action plan to undertake extensive infrastructure building in the border areas and also modernization of the armed forces to counter the security threats being posed by the neighbouring countries?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (f): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5196 FOR ANSWER ON 5.9.2011

China disputes the International Boundary between India and China. There is no commonly delineated Line of Actual Control (LAC) between the two countries. Both sides patrol upto their respective perceptions of LAC. From time to time, on account of differences in the perception of LAC, situations have arisen on the ground that could have been avoided if we had a common perception of LAC. The number of such intrusions in the last three years have generally been as per established pattern.

Government is aware that China is undertaking infrastructure projects in Pakistan occupied Kashmir (PoK). We have conveyed our concerns to China about their activities in PoK and asked them to cease such activities. China has also been carrying rapid infrastructural development in Tibet Autonomous Region (TAR) and in areas along the India-China border. It is carrying out construction of strategic roads, railway lines and airfields close to the LAC, which has improved its military capability.

Government is seized of the security imperatives of the country as well as the need for developing requisite infrastructure in the border areas. Necessary steps, as required, have been initiated for ensuring that national security concerns are adequately addressed through development of infrastructure, including rail, roads and forward air fields, as well as operational capabilities of the Armed forces to secure the desired national security objectives.