

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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NUCLEAR WEAPONS PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that Pakistan is expanding its nuclear weapons programme at a rapid pace;
- (b) if so, whether it poses threat to the security of this country; and
- (c) if so, the action plan chalked out by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (c): Government has seen reports regarding Pakistan's expansion of nuclear weapon programme and continuously monitors all developments having a bearing on national security and takes all necessary steps to safeguard it.