

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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MILITARY TRAINING TO YOUTHS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any scheme has been prepared by the Government to provide military training to the youths;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is any possibility of making the military training mandatory for the youths in future; and
- (d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) & (b): Opportunities are already available to the young men & women of the country to receive basic military training through NCC in schools and colleges, and subsequently through the Territorial Army. Large number of civilians also undergo training under the various programmes of the Home Scouts, Home Guards, Central Police Organisations, Para Military Forces, Village Defence Committees etc.

(c) & (d): Making military training mandatory is not at present under consideration of the government.