GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEFENCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1349 ANSWERED ON:08.08.2011 AEROBATIC DISPLAY OF AIR FORCE Shantha J.

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of accidents and casualties during aerobatic displays of Air Force during the last three years in the country;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to organize such aerobatic displays away from the populated areas and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is any proposal to ban common people to attend such displays as spectators; and
- (d) if so, the time by which a final decision in this regard is likely to be taken?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

- (a) One accident has occurred during aerobatic displays of Air Force during the last three years in the country. There was no casualty in this accident.
- (b) to (d): The decisions for carrying out aerobatic displays are taken on a case to case basis. Issues like safety of the aircraft, safety of audience, weather conditions and nature of area below the display location are taken into consideration. There is no proposal to ban common people to attend such displays as spectators.