

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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FREQUENCY BAND FOR DEFENCE COMMUNICATION
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has agreed for a separate frequency band to be used by the defence forces for communication purposes;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the said decision will enable the forces to vacate the additional spectrum for civilian communication; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (d): A Defence Band has been mutually identified between Ministry of Defence and Ministry of Communications & Information Technology to meet the strategic and operational requirements of Defence and Strategic Forces. Vacation of additional spectrum is contingent on the setting up of an alternate network by the Department of Telecom.