

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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LOSS OF LIVES IN SIACHEN
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of casualties occurred in Siachen in the recent past;
- (b) whether the Government has taken diplomatic measures for demilitarisation of the Siachen region; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

- (a) The number of casualties in Siachen in the last one year is 26.
- (b) & (c): Twelfth Round of Defence Secretary level talks were held between India & Pakistan on 30-31 May 2011, during which both sides welcomed the ongoing dialogue process, contributing to an enhanced understanding of each other's position. It was also agreed to continue the discussions in a meaningful and result oriented manner.