GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEFENCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2384 ANSWERED ON:27.08.2012 CUT IN TROOPS IN J K Karunakaran Shri P.

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has decided thinning of troops in Jammu and Kashmir (J&K) ignoring the delicate security situation in the State and the presence of terror camps and launching pads across the Line of Control (LoC);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Army Chief has conveyed this step as not feasible in the present situation;
- (d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (e) whether the Government is aware about the fact that the number of infiltration attempts by the militants has been substantially more than those took place in the last year;
- (f) if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

- (a) to (d): The deployment of security forces as part of the security grid in the Northern sector including J&K is based on the threat perception and is periodically reviewed. Decisions relating to the deployment of forces in the counter infiltration / counter terrorist operations are based on a comprehensive assessment to ensure that there is no adverse effect on the overall security situation.
- (e) & (f): As per the assessment of Multi Agency Centre (MAC) the details of infiltration attempts in J&K for the last two years are as under:-
- S. No. 2011 2012 (Till June)
- (a) Number of Terrorists who 247 103 Attempted Infiltration
- (b) Number of Terrorists who were 52 38 Successful in Infiltration
- (g) The Army has adopted an effective counter infiltration strategy, which has an appropriate mix of technology and human resource to prevent infiltration effectively.