

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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PURCHASE OF RIFLES
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Army proposes to purchase high-tech rifles from the United States of America to deal firmly with the infiltrators, extremists and intruders across the Line of Control as reported recently; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) & (b): Madam, a Request for Proposal (RFP) for procuring Assault Rifles was issued in November, 2011. Five firms have responded to the RFP and technical evaluation of the bids is in progress.