

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3584
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OPENING OF SIACHEN FOR TOURISTS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has considered the proposal to open Siachen for tourists;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether foreign tourists will also be allowed to visit Siachen and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the neighbouring countries have objected to it saying that it will affect the ongoing peace talks; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

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

- (a) No, Madam.
- (b) to (e) Does not arise.