

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

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QUALITY SHOES FOR JAWANS  
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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the jawans of Indian Defence forces are not provided with quality Physical Training shoes;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether supplying specially designed combat shoes to jawans is also under consideration;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the time by which these two essential items are likely to be supplied to jawans?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (e): Government has decided to introduce improved Physical Training (PT) shoes for Jawans in place of Brown Canvas PT shoes. The procurement is under process. The new variety of combat shoes (Boot DVS High Ankle) has already been introduced by replacing old combat boots. The procurement of these items is done in accordance with the laid down procedures.