GOVERNMENT OF INDIA EXTERNAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:164 ANSWERED ON:05.12.2012 CHINESE INFILTRATION Tandon Shri Lal Ji

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there have been incidents of infiltrations by the Chinese Army into the Indian border;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years and the current year, year-wise;
- (c) the action taken/being taken by the Government in this regard;
- (d) whether the Government does not perceive the infiltration by the Chinese Army into Demchok area in Ladakh as dangerous to the security of the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS(SHRI SALMAN KHURSHID)

(a) to (e) There is no commonly delineated Line of Actual Control (LAC) in the border areas between India and China. From time to time, on account of differences in the perception of the LAC, situations have arisen on the ground that could have been avoided if we had a common perception of the LAC. Government regularly takes up any transgression along the LAC with the Chinese side through established mechanisms including border personnel meetings, flag meetings, meetings of Working Mechanism on Consultation & Coordination on India-China Border Affairs and diplomatic channels. The two sides have reiterated, on many occasions, their commitment to maintain peace and tranquility along the Line of Actual Control in the India-China border areas, pending a final settlement of the Boundary Question. Government keeps a constant watch on all developments having a bearing on India's security and takes all necessary measures to safeguard it.