

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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REMAINS OF WORLD WAR
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of American plan to search for remains of aircrafts, ammunitions and other army equipment during the world war in North Eastern States;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has evaluated the feasibility of the said plan along with its purpose; and
- (d) whether any policy decision has been taken by the Government to carry out the said plan along with the role of the armed forces in this campaign?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (d): The US Government has requested to conduct search and recovery missions in the North East region to recover the remains of US service personnel presumed to have been killed in aircraft crashes in the region during World War II. So far, 3 such missions have been conducted. All future missions are envisaged to be conducted after due consultation with the relevant agencies in the Central Government and concerned State Governments.