

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

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PLANTING OF LANDMINES BY PAKISTAN  
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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether there were cases of planting of landmines by the Pakistani troops on the Indian side of the border in Jammu and Kashmir to deter the Indian Army from carrying out area dominance patrol;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years;
- (c) whether Pakistani troops have been targeting Indian positions this time from behind civilian areas on their side; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken by the Government to handle / deal with such situations?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (d): Intelligence reports indicate that from time to time Pakistan undertakes offensive actions planting mines on Indian side to cause casualties to our troops. In the recent past it has come to notice that Pakistani elements planted mines on 24-26th November, 2012 in Krishna Ghati Sector of Pooch Distt., Jammu. There have been instances of ceasefire violations along the Line of Control. However, no specific inputs are available of Pakistan firing from behind their civil areas. All ceasefire violations are appropriately retaliated/protested through the established mechanism of Hotline, Flag Meetings and Director Generals of Military Operations Talks.