## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEFENCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4366 ANSWERED ON:22.04.2013 ENCOUNTER CASES IN THE VALLEY Tomar Shri Narendra Singh

## Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether some cases of encounters in Jammu and Kashmir have come to the light;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is a fact that the pickets near the border are lying vacant;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether the reports of terrorists trying to capture these pickets have come to the notice of the Government; and
- (f) if so, the action being taken by the Government in this regard?

## **Answer**

## MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) & (b): The details of terrorists killed by the Army in J&K in 2011 & 2012 are as under:-

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Year Terrorists killed Terrorists killed Total along the LoC in hinterland
2011 17 78 95
2012 10 63 73
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The proxy war indicators are monitored constantly resulting in a dynamic security response and the deployment of forces in J&K is based on an assessment of military situation along the borders and level of terrorists related violence in the hinterland.

- (c) & (d): Posts along the Line of Control are occupied based on terrain and tactical consideration. However, few specific posts in higher reaches are vacated in winter owing to high snow levels and increased avalanche threat. Surveillance and domination of these areas during this period is ensured by maintaining an effective vigil by employing helicopters / other aerial methods. These posts are re-occupied as soon as feasible once the snow levels recede.
- (e) & (f): Attempts by terrorists to infiltrate from across the border and cause damage continue, Surveillance and dominance is ensured to defeat the designs of infiltrators.