

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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SCRAP OF DEFENCE AIRCRAFT
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there have been several instances of theft of scrap of defence aircraft at Sidditek in Ahmednagar, Maharashtra during the last decade;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) & (b): There has been no instance of theft of scrap of Indian Air Force aircraft at Sidditek in Ahmednagar, Maharashtra during the last decade. However, some parts of old aircraft in use during the World War were recovered by the labourers in 2001-2002 while quarrying sand from the Bhima river near village Sidditek, which were kept with local Police authorities. A few items from these parts went missing but were subsequently recovered. On 14th January, 2011 these parts were shifted to Police Station, Karjat by Revenue authorities. On 7th July, 2012 two more parts were recovered from the same location. All these parts have now been brought to Air Force Station Pune.

(c) Does not arise.