

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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MOUNTAIN STRIKE CORPS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has decided to set up a Mountain Strike Corps (MSC) along the China border to strengthen military capabilities;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including estimated cost for the purpose;
- (c) whether the MSC project is pending with the Government for the last three years; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the revised expenditure likely to be incurred on the setting up of MSC?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (d): Military capacity enhancement and modernization of armed forces is a dynamic and continuous process which takes into account the security challenges faced by the Nation from time to time. Raising and deployment of forces is done in consonance with our threat perception.