## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEFENCE LOK SABHA

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

- (a) the number of incursions made by Chinese troops, year-wise after India and China signed an agreement to maintain peace and tranquility along the Line of Actual Control (LAC) in 1996;
- (b) whether there has been a significant increase in the number of incursions by Chinese troops across the Line of Actual Control between November 1, 2008 and November 1, 2009;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether there is an institutionalised mechanism in place to deal with such incursions;
- (e) if so, what has been the experience of the efficacy of this mechanism ever since it was institutionalised;
- (f) the concrete measures being taken to pre-empt and prevent such incursions;
- (g) whether the Chinese incursions only occur in those areas where there is a divergence of perception as to where the LAC lies; and
- (h) if so, the details thereof?

## **Answer**

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

(a) to (h): There is no commonly delineated Line of Actual Control (LAC) between India and China.

There has not been any significant change in the Chinese activity along the LAC over the last few years.

Incidents of incursions are taken up with the Chinese side through established mechanisms such as Hot Lines, Flag Meetings, Border Personnel Meetings and normal diplomatic channels. These mechanisms facilitate maintenance of peace.