

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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INDO US JOINT MILITARY EXERCISE
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the last Indo-US combat aircraft exercise held;
- (b) the extent to which such exercises prove to be useful for the Indian armed forces;and
- (c) the allocations made for such exercises during the last five years?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

- (a) The last Indo-US combat aircraft exercise named 'Cope India 09' was conducted in India from 19th October to 23rd October 2009.
- (b) Such exercises improve operational and training standards of the IAF by exposure to operation and training practices of the Air Forces of other countries.
- (c) An amount of Rs.51.43 crore was allocated for such exercises in the last five years.