

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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DEPLOYMENT OF DEFENCE PERSONNEL

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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a large number of soldiers have been deployed to run CSD / URC canteens and engaged in menial tasks;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to deploy civilian employees for running these canteens and to withdraw soldiers from these canteens;
- (d) if so, the time by which the said soldiers are likely to be put back in their defence related duties; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a) to (e) URCs are largely run by Civilian staff employed by URCs. However, Defence personnel are deployed to manage the URCs in places affected by Insurgency / Terrorism and also at on- board Naval Ships where either civilians are not available or employing them could affect security aspects. These Defence personnel are deployed in addition to their normal duties.