

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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INDO RUSSIAN JOINT MILITARY EXERCISE

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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India and Russia have discussed military tech ties in the recent past;
- (b) if so, the details and the outcome thereof;
- (c) whether India and Russia propose to conduct joint military exercises in Rajasthan in near future; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) & (b): The 13th meeting of the India Russia Inter-Governmental Commission on Military Technical Cooperation was held in Russia on 18 November, 2013. The meeting was co-chaired by Raksha Mantri and the Defence Minister of the Russian Federation. During the meeting, both sides held discussions on a number of bilateral issues relating to defence cooperation.

(c) & (d): The Armies of India and Russia have been periodically conducting joint exercises. The 5th joint exercise between the Armies of both countries was held in Rajasthan between 17 & 28 October, 2013. Such exercises are conducted at mutual convenience.