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INDO JAPAN DEFENCE PACT

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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India and Japan have recently entered into any agreement in New Delhi to consolidate and strengthen their strategic and global partnership in the defence arena;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of Memorandum of Understanding signed between the two countries during the said meeting; and
- (d) the other steps taken / being taken by the Government to strengthen defence ties between the two countries?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

- (a) to (c): There is no formal Agreement or Memorandum of Understanding on defence cooperation between India and Japan.
- (d) Various measures are being pursued to promote defence cooperation with Japan, including high level exchanges, training exchanges, ship visits and exercises.