

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

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COASTAL SURVEILLANCE RADARS  
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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has signed an agreement with France to share coastal surveillance radars in the Indian Ocean Region;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is setting up a grid of coastal surveillance radars in the Indian Ocean Region that will monitor, among other things, the increasing Chinese presence in the area; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI MANOHAR PARRIKAR)

(a) & (b): No, Madam.

(c) & (d): India has set up coastal surveillance radars and Automatic Identification System (AIS) network in Mauritius and AIS network in Sri Lanka. Radars in other Indian Ocean Region countries may also be set up, based on their requests. These systems monitor shipping and other vessels transiting close to the coast.