

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

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MARITIME EXERCISE  
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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government has decided to send the INS Shivalik to participate in an international fleet review and maritime exercise hosted by the Chinese Navy; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the name of countries likely to take part in the said maritime exercise?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY)

(a) & (b): INS Shivalik was deployed for participation in International Fleet Review (IFR) and Multilateral Maritime Exercise at Qingdao, China from 20-25 April 2014. Though the IFR was cancelled in view of the Search and Rescue mission for the missing Malaysian Airline Flight MH 370, the Multilateral Maritime Exercise was conducted as scheduled on 23-24 April 2014. Ships from India, Indonesia, Bangladesh, Pakistan, Singapore, Malaysia and Brunei participated in the Exercise.