

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Military Training Exercise

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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India and Oman has conducted a joint military training exercise, Al-Nagah-II, 2017 in Himachal Pradesh recently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the expenditure involved in the said joint military training exercise with Oman;
- (c) the benefits likely to be achieved on Indian side during such joint military exercise;
- (d) the name of countries with whom such type of military exercise will be conducted during the year, 2017; and
- (e) the other steps taken / being taken by the Government to boost the military co-operation with other countries?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)

IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

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(a) & (b): The joint military exercise, named 'Al-Nagah-II', between India and Oman was conducted at Bakloh, Himachal Pradesh during 06-19 March 2017. 59 troops from Royal Army of Oman participated in the Exercise. Rs.17,50,000/- (Rupees Seventeen Lakh Fifty Thousand Only) was sanctioned for conducting the Exercise.

(c) The objectives of such exercises are to enhance bilateral defence cooperation through interactions between the armies of two countries. It also enables in learning from the best practices followed by other countries and adopt them for our requirements.

(d) Such type of military exercises are to be conducted with Australia, Bangladesh, China, France, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Malaysia, Maldives, Mongolia, Nepal, Russia, Seychelles, Sri Lanka, Thailand, United Kingdom and United States of America during the year 2017.

(e) To boost the military co-operation with other countries, numbers of activities like, high level official visits, exchange of military experiences, participation in each others' military courses / trainings / seminars / workshops, conducting military training / short term courses, Subject Matter Expert Exchange, visit to each other's military establishments, supply of military material / equipment are undertaken.
