GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEFENCE LOK SABHA

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COASTAL SECURITY
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has reviewed coastal security apparatus of the country recently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the adequate measures being taken by the Government to strengthen coastal security in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY)

(a) to (c): Review of the coastal security apparatus in the country is a continuous process. Coastal security along our coast is provided by Marine Police, Indian Coast Guard and Indian Navy. Government has initiated several measures to strengthen Coastal Security, which includes improving surveillance mechanism and enhanced patrolling by following an integrated approach. Joint operational exercises are conducted on regular basis among Navy, Coast Guard, Coastal Police, Customs and others for security of coastal areas including island territories. Further, continuous review and monitoring of various mechanisms have been established by the Government involving various agencies, including the State / Union Territory authorities. The intelligence mechanism has also been streamlined through the creation of Joint Operation Centres and multi-agency coordination mechanism.