

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4074
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 9TH DECEMBER, 2016

JOINT MILITARY EXERCISE WITH JAPAN

4074. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:
DR. RATNA DE (NAG):

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to carry out joint military exercise with Japan in the near future; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with its strategic importance for the region?

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MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)

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(a) & (b): The Joint Naval Exercise MALABAR between India and the United States was expanded last year to include Japan on a regular basis. This exercise is held annually. Such exercises help in enhancing defence cooperation and understanding concept of operations of each other to learn best practices.
