

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4355
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 11TH AUGUST, 2017
OPERATION SURYA KIRAN

4355. DR. RATNA DE (NAG):
SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR:
SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:
SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to carry out defence joint exercise with Nepal by the name of operation Surya Kiran in the near future; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the strategic importance of the said exercise for the neighbouring countries?

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MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)

रक्षा राज्य मंत्री

(डा. सुभाष भामरे)

(a) Joint Army Exercise Surya Kiran with Nepal was held in March 2017 in India. The next round of this Exercise is scheduled to be held in Nepal from 03-16 September 2017.

(b) The Exercise helps to enhance cooperation between defence forces, especially in terms of training and capacity building as well as to deepen mutual understanding between India and Nepal.
