

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.106
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 18TH JULY, 2018

JOINT MILITARY EXERCISES

106. SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH JAUNAPURIA:
SHRI VENKATESH BABU T.G.:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India has started joint military operation / exercise with some of the foreign countries in the recent past;
- (b) if so, the details along with the outcome thereof and the number of such operations undertaken during the last three years and the current year with various countries, year / country-wise;
- (c) the names of the Indian battalion and the number of soldiers who participated in the exercise and the amount incurred on the exercise along with the benefits likely to accrue to India out of this exercise;
- (d) whether it is proposed to undertake such exercise in the near future also and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) whether agreements have been signed with USA and other countries during such exercises in the last five years and if so, the details thereof?

A N S W E R

MINISTER OF STATE (DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

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(डा. सुभाष भामरे)

(a) to (e): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 106 FOR ANSWER ON 18.07.2018

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The details of joint military exercises conducted with foreign countries during the last three years and the current year are as under:

Joint Exercises conducted by Army:

S. No.	Country	Exercise	Year
1.	Australia	Ex AUSTRALIA HIND	2016-17, 2017-18
2.	Bangladesh	Ex SAMPRITI	2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18
3.	China	Ex HAND IN HAND	2015-16, 2016-17
4.	France	Ex SHAKTI	2015-16, , 2017-18
5.	Indonesia	Ex GARUDA SHAKTI	2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18
6.	Kazakhstan	Ex PRABAL DOSTYK	2016-17, 2017-18
7.	Kyrgyzstan	Ex KHANJAR	2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18
8.	Maldives	Ex EKUVERIN	2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18
9.	Mongolia	Ex NOMADIC ELEPHANT	2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18
10.	Myanmar	IMBEX	2017-18
11.	Nepal	Ex SURYA KIRAN	2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18
12.	Oman	AL NAGAH	2016-17
13.	Russia	Ex INDRA	2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18
14.	Seychelles	Ex LAMITIYE	2015-16, 2017-18
15.	Sri Lanka	Ex MITRA SHAKTI	2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18
16.	Thailand	Ex MAITREE	2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18
17.	UK	Ex AJEYA WARRIOR	2015-16, 2017-18
18.	USA	Ex YUDHABHAYAS	2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18
		Ex VAJRA PRAHAR	2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18
19.	Vietnam	VINBAX	2017-18
20.	Multinational (ADMM Plus)	Ex FORCE 18	2015-16

Joint Exercises conducted by Navy:

S. No.	Country	Exercise	Year
1.	Australia	AUSINDEX	2017
2.	Bangladesh	IN-BN CORPAT	2018
3.	Brazil & South Africa	IBSAMAR	2016
4.	France	VARUNA	2016, 2017, 2018

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5.	Indonesia	IND-INDO CORPAT	2016, 2017, 2018
		IND-INDO BILAT	2016, 2017
6.	Malaysia	IN-MN Table Top Ex	2016, 2017
7.	Myanmar	IMCOR	2016, 2017, 2018
		IN-MN BILAT	2018
8.	Oman	Naseem-al-Bahr	2017
9.	Russia	INDRA NAVY	2016, 2017
10.	Sri Lanka	SLINEX	2017
11.	Singapore	SIMBEX	2016, 2017
12.	Thailand	INDO-THAI CORPAT	2016, 2017, 2018
13.	UAE	In-UAE BILAT	2018
14.	UK	KONKAN	2016, 2017
15.	USA	MALABAR	2016, 2017, 2018
		RIMPAC (Multilateral)	2016, 2018
16.	Multilateral Exercise by Brunei	ADMM+ Exercise	2016
17.	Multilateral Exercise by Indonesia	Ex KOMODO	2016
18.	Multilateral Exercise by India	MILAN	2018

Joint Exercises conducted by Air Force:

S. No.	Country	Exercise	Year
1.	Bangladesh	Table Top Ex	2017
2.	Israel	Ex Blue Flag-17	2017
3.	Oman	Ex EASTERN BRIDGE-IV	2017
4.	Russia	Ex INDRA-17	2017
5.	Singapore	JOINT MILITARY TRAINING	2015, 2016, 2017
6.	Thailand	Ex SIAM BHARAT	2016, 2017
7.	UAE	DESERT EAGLE-II	2016
8.	UK	INDRADHANUSH-IV	2015
9.	USA	RED FLAG 16-1	2016
10.	Multinational Air Exercise	Ex Samvedna with Bangladesh, Nepal, Sri Lanka, UAE	2018

(c) Our armed forces are represented by various units / battalions in such exercises which is decided based on the nature and requirement of specific exercise. The expenditure incurred also varies on the magnitude of our participation and assets deployed during such exercises. The joint military exercises with friendly countries results in constructive engagements in operational terms and enhances the skills of our armed forces in a number of diverse areas of war-fighting by operating with armed forces of various nations. In this process the current tactical and technological practices / techniques etc., are exchanged during such exercises.

(d) This is a continuous process, however, relevant steps are taken from time to time to engage friendly countries and to enhance the scope of exercises based on the principle of mutual benefit and our own strategic requirements.

(e) No agreements have been signed with USA and other countries during such exercises in the last five years.
