## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EXERNAL AFFAIRS

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 311 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.12.2018

#### **INCURSIONS IN DOKLAM**

### 311. SHRI ABHIJIT MUKHERJEE:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of incidents of incursions recorded in Doklam during 2014-2018;
- (b) the details of steps taken by the Government to prevent future incursions in Doklam and other North-Eastern areas of the country; and
- (c) whether any bilateral dialogue was held to resolve the standoff witnessed in Doklam and if so, the details thereof?

# ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS [GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD)]

(a) to (c) Doklam is part of the territory of Bhutan.

Insofar as India-China border areas are concerned, since there is no commonly delineated Line of Actual Control (LAC) between the two sides, from time to time, on account of differences in the perception of the LAC, situations have arisen on the ground that could have been avoided if we had a common perception of the LAC.

Government regularly takes up any transgression along the LAC with the Chinese side through established mechanisms including border personnel meetings, flag meeting, meetings of Working Mechanism for Consultation & Coordination on India-China Border Affairs, as well as through diplomatic channels.

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