

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.467

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 6TH FEBRUARY, 2019

JOINT MILITARY EXERCISE WITH CHINA

467. SHRI J.J.T. NATTERJEE:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has conducted a joint military exercise with China recently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether this is first of its kind after the Doklam issue and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether this exercise was focussed on any threats and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the exercise seeks to improve the relations between the two countries and if so, the details thereof?

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MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

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(a) to (c): Yes, Madam. A Joint Exercise “Hand-in-Hand” was conducted with China in Pujiang, China from 10 to 23 December, 2018. A total of 130 personnel from each side participated in the Joint Exercise.

(d) & (e): The exercise was based on the theme of “Counter terrorist operations covering joint training cum exercise under UN mandate at sub-unit level”. Such engagements promote cooperation on training and help in confidence building between the armed forces of the two countries.
