## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DEFENCE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE LOK SABHA

## **UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3308**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 18<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2015

## ANTI-SATELLITE WEAPON TECHNOLOGY

3308. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE j{kk ea=h be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is developing counter-space capabilities to protect India's critical space assets from external threats;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has instituted an anti-satellite weapon technology in order to develop retaliatory capabilities and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to conduct anti-satellite weapon tests; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the details of expenditure development of counter on space capabilities?

## A N S W E R

MINISTER OF DEFENCE

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(a) to (e): Development and deployment of space assets including measures for their safety is a continuous process. Appropriate steps are taken by Government from time to time to ensure safety of our satellites and space assets. Divulging any further information in this regard may not be in the interest of national security.

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