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JOINT EXERCISE WITH SINGAPORE AIRFORCE
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the joint exercise of Indian Air Force and Singapore Air Force was undertaken at Gwalior;
- (b) if so, the aircraft of the Indian Airforce participated in the joint exercise;
- (c) the number of the countries with which such joint exercises were undertaken by the I.A.F. during the current year and the benefits Indian Air Force got from these exercises;
- (d) whether exchange of technical know how was also done during these joint exercises; and
- (e) if so, the details of technical know how given by our Air Force to the Defence personnel of other countries?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) The following aircraft of the Indian Air Force participated in the joint exercises:
 - (i) SU-30
 - (ii) Mirage-2000
 - (iii) MiG-29
 - (iv) MiG-21 Bison
 - (v) MiG-27

(c) The joint exercises were undertaken with United States of America, Singapore and South Africa. The joint exercises have resulted in improvement in strategic relationship with advanced foreign Air forces; long distance planning and deployment; evaluation of self-capability; familiarization with new technology and operational philosophy; aircraft and equipment evaluation; and an insight to training requirements.

- (d) No, Sir.
- (e) Does not arise.