

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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NETWORK CENTRIC WARFARE

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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indonesia is approaching India to provide know-how in network centric warfare and also entering into joint production arrangements in the overall Defence domain;

(b) if so, the response of the Union Government thereto; and

(c) the steps taken by the Union Government to boost the defence cooperation with Indonesia?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (c): An Agreement on Cooperative Activities in the field of Defence has been signed between India and Indonesia. The Agreement envisages defence cooperation in various fields. The Joint Defence Cooperation Committee, set up to oversee the implementation of the objectives of the Agreement, held its first meeting in June 2007 wherein various issues of bilateral interest in the field of defence including sharing of experience in natural disaster relief management, peace-keeping operations and counter terrorism, training and sharing of information and technology in electronics etc., were discussed.