

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2804  
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CRASHES OF UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLES  
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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) the number of unmanned aerial vehicles/pilotless aircraft during each of the last three years, till date;
- (b) the number of persons killed/injured, if any, and the quantum of financial loss suffered as a result thereof ;
- (c) whether inquiries have been conducted into each crash ;
- (d) if so, the outcome thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to check recurrence of such accidents in future ?

**Answer**

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

(a) A total of 7 Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) crashed during the last three financial years and the current year (till 29.8.2007).The year-wise details are as under:-

Year	Number of crashes
2004-2005-	2
2005-2006-	4
2006-2007-	1
2007-2008-	Nil
(till 29.8.2007)	

(b) No person has been killed/injured in these accidents. Apart from the loss of UAVs, there were no other financial losses as a result of these crashes.

(c) to (e): Each crash is investigated through a Court of Inquiry and remedial measures are undertaken accordingly to check their recurrence in future.