

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

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DEPLOYMENT OF NAVAL FORCES  
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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) the total strength of Navy Personnel deployed at various locations including Lakshadweep Islands;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to deploy an army detachment or battalion in the Lakshadweep Islands;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (d): Deployment of armed forces, including Coast Guard at various locations in the country, including island territories is made based on reviews of security environment and operational requirements, and this is a continuous process. It will not be desirable in the interest of national security to disclose further details.