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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

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ARMY DOCTORS TO AFGHANISTAN

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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Indian Army doctors and para-medical team have been sent to Afghanistan to provide humanitarian assistance; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the medicines and medical equipments are likely to be made available by this team?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Three Medical Officers and three Nursing Assistants have been sent to Kabul. Initial drugs and expendable stores necessary for the team have been sent which are likely to last for four to six weeks. Proposal for sending more Medical Officers/Nursing assistants is under examination.