

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1520

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 26<sup>TH</sup> July, 2016/ SHRAVANA 4, 1938 (SAKA)

SHORTAGE OF AMMUNITION

1520. SHRI KAMAL NATH:  
SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that Central Armed Police Forces (CAPF) are facing massive shortage of ammunition for their weapons;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether in view of shortage of ammunition for weapons for CAPF, the Union Government has decided to import the same and also to set up factories in the country to manufacture their own ammunition rather than depending on Ordnance factories; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and other remedial measures taken by the Government to meet the demand of ammunitions for CAPF?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS  
(SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR)

(a) to (d): No Madam, there is no shortage of ammunition for weapons with Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs). However there

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is an increased need for 9 mm Ball ammunition. Ammunition is allocated by Ordinance Factory Board (OFB) as per requirement of the Central Armed Police Forces. OFB has committed to supply 3.6 crores in 2016-17 by way of upscaling their manufacturing capacity in order to meet the requirement of 9 mm Ball ammunition.

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