

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3733

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 05TH APRIL, 2017/CHAITRA 15, 1939, (SAKA)

BULLET PROOF JACKETS TO PARAMILITARY PERSONNEL

3733. SHRI NARAYAN LAL PANCHARIYA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

- (a) whether Government has provided bullet proof jackets to personnel of paramilitary forces;
- (b) if so, the details regarding the percentage of combat personnel who have been provided such jackets, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the number of bullet proof jackets provided to paramilitary forces are adequate keeping in view their strength and area of operations;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) what action is underway to procure and provide to paramilitary troops more of such bullet proof jackets?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (e) The Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs) are procuring Bullet Proof Jackets as per scale of authorization to meet the requirements of their operational strength. Operational requirements, in particular, of combat personnel, change as per theatre specific challenges. Required steps are initiated by forces to meet the requirement of Bullet Proof jackets accordingly. The scale of authorization for different theatres is as given below:

Counter Insurgency Operations Duties:	630 Bullet Proof jackets per Battalion comprising 7 Companies and 540 per Battalion comprising 6 Companies offering 90% per Company for Operational duty.
Border Guarding Force	150 Bullet Proof jackets per Battalion for border guarding force including 15 Bullet Proof jackets per Company on Zero line patrolling.
Frontier/Sector/Range Headquarter.	40 Bullet Proof jackets per Headquarter.
Training Centre of Assam Rifles	100 Bullet Proof jackets.
Deployment of BSF In Tripura, Cachar & Mizoram (TC&M) Frontier.	480 Bullet Proof jackets per Battalion

Details regarding Bullet Proof Jackets held by CAPFs is as under:

S.N.	CAPFs	Quantity
1	BSF	33509
2	CISF	2283
3	CRPF	95073
4	ITBP	11816
5	NSG	3641
6	SSB	6972

Procurement is an ongoing process and CAPFs procure BP jackets as per their requirements from time to time. Details of ongoing procurement of Bullet Proof jackets by CAPFs is as under:

S.N.	CAPFs	Quantity
1	BSF	3750
2	CISF	3157
3	CRPF	27412
4	ITBP	2700
5	NSG	3641
6	SSB	6972