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CONDOLES THE TRAGIC LOSS OF CHIEF OF DEFENCE STAFF, GENERAL BIPIN  
RAWAT IN A HELICOPTER ACCIDENT NEAR COIMBATORE**

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**UNION HOME MINISTER IS ALSO PRAYING FOR THE SPEEDY RECOVERY OF GP  
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The Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Shri Amit Shah expressed his condolences on the loss of the Chief of Defence Staff, General Bipin Rawat in a helicopter accident near Coimbatore.

Shri Amit Shah tweeted, “ A very sad day for the Nation as we have lost our Chief of Defence Staff, General Bipin Rawat Ji in a very tragic accident. He was one of the bravest soldiers, who has served the Motherland with utmost devotion. His exemplary contributions and commitment cannot be put into words. I am deeply pained. I also express my deepest condolences on the sad demise of Smt. Madhulika Rawat and 11 other Armed Forces personnel. My thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved families. May God give them the strength to bear this tragic loss. Praying for the speedy recovery of Gp Captain Varun Singh.”

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