GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OFHOME AFFAIRS RAJYA SABHA QUESTION NO21.11.2001

ANSWERED ON

ATTACKS BY SUICIDE SQUADS IN JAMMU AND KASHMIR.

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Will the Minister of COAL AND MINES COAL AND MINES HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether cases of attacks by suicide squads on Army, para military and police forces have considerably increased in Jammu and Kashmir;
- (b) if so, the details thereof for the last one year, month-wise; (C) how many lives were lost in these attacks; and
- (d) whether Government have taken steps to combat the attacks by suicide squads of terrorists in Jammu and Kashmir?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINSITRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

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(a) to (c):No separate statistics are about the security forces killed in suicide attack is maintained at the Union Government level. However, the number of security forces killed in terrorist violence in J&K in each month between November, 2000 to October 2001 is given as below:-

2000:-

November December

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2001:-

January		February	March	April	May	June	July	August	Sept.
October									
28	33	53	46	36	41	51		43	63
57									

(d): To contain terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir, the Government has adopted multi-pronged approach which includes, inter-alia, strengthening border management, pro-active action against terrorists in the hinterland, gearing up intelligence machinery, greater functional integration through and institutional frame work of Operation Groups and Intelligence Groups of the UHQ at all levels, improved technology, weapons and equipments for security forces.

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Security forces have been asked to remain alert of the possibilities of suicide attacks. The State Police in consultation with security forces operating in J&K have evolved standard sets of practices for the field unitsof the security

forces	for	responding	appropriately	and	effecti	vely	to su	icide	attack	īs.