GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OFDEFENCE RAJYA SABHA QUESTION NO08.12.2010 ANSWERED ON

INCREASE IN CASES OF SUICIDES IN ARMED FORCES.

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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether the cases of suicides and fratricidal killings in the armed forces have increased in the recent past;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the grievances redressal machinery is not effective in the armed forces to tackle such suicides and killings; and
- (d) if so, the concrete steps taken by Government to check such incidents?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF DEFENCE

(SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) & (b): No, Sir. The details of suicides and fratricidal killing in the armed forces for the last three years are as under:-

2007 2008 2009

Suicide 142 130 111 Fratricide 08 04 01

- (c) No, Sir.
- (d) Does not arise.