GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OFHOME AFFAIRS RAJYA SABHA QUESTION NO12.03.2008

ANSWERED ON

FRAGGING AND SUICIDE IN CENTRAL FORCES.

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATIONHEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARERAILWAYSHOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATIONHOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

- (a) the regions-wise and force-wise details of fragging and suicide among Central forces during the last 6 months, till-date;
- (b) the rank-wise classification of the victims;
- (c) the major cause for such incidents;
- (d) the steps being taken to discount such incidents in future; and
- (e) the steps being taken to improve the service conditions of the personnel in Central security forces?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

(SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a): The details of fragging and suicides cases in the Forces, which are organized in Frontiers/Sectors, during the last 6 months, till date are as under:-

S.No Name of the Force No. of cases of Fragging No. of cases of Suicides

- 1. CISF 4
- 2. ITBP 3
- 3. ARs 7
- 4. CRPF 6 26
- 5. BSF 17
- 6. SSB -
- 7. NSG -

Total 6 57

(b): GOs - 2 NGOs - 61

- (c): Family and domestic reasons are the main causes of such incidents. However, other reasons that build stress include deployment of the forces in difficult and isolated areas, long and strenuous duty hours, high mobility, constant threat to life and prolonged separation from families.
- (d) & (e): Some of the steps taken to reduce stress level among CPMF personnel, enable them to attend to personal problems and increase their satisfaction level, are focus on more family, and separated family accommodation; basic amenities/facilities for the troops and their families; telephone facilities to troops on the border where feasible; transparent leave policy; regular interaction, both formal and informal with the officers; Yoga classes for better stress management; recreational and sports facilities; revamping of grievances redressal machinery; introduction of Composite Hospitals with specialized facilities; Central Police Canteen facilities for all the serving and ex-CPMF personnel and constitution of Welfare and Rehabilitation Board (WARB) to look into the welfare and rehabilitation requirements of 'Next of Kins' and ex -CPMF personnel.