## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OFHOME AFFAIRS RAJYA SABHA QUESTION NO13.08.2003 ANSWERED ON

## SUICIDES CASES OF POLICE PERSONNEL

2415 Shri Rajkumar Dhoot

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

- (a)whether it is a fact that a number of police personnel have committed suicides in the country during the last three years;
- (b)if so, the details thereof;
- (c)the cases where they were forced to extreme steps due to administrative apathy or negligence towards their genuine grievances;
- (d) the steps taken by Government to prevent recurrence of such incidents; and
- (e)the kind of help provided to bereaved families?

**ANSWER** 

## MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

(SHRI I.D.SWAMI)

(a) & (b):The information as available in National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) for the States and the Union Territories, and in the Central Para Military Forces regarding suicide cases is as below: 1999200020012002

States/Union Territories146111114Not available Central Para Military Forces55486282

(c):Analysis of the causes of these suicide cases show that the causes are complex, like depression, family disharmony, marital discord, stress etc.

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- (d):Both the Central Government as well as the State Governments have been taking several measures for the welfare of police personnel. These include establishment of grievance redressal machinery, counseling, regular interaction of officers and police personnel, proper planning of leave, assistance in setting disputes, creation of recreational facilities, etc. In the Central Para Military Forces, regular Sainik Sammelans and courses on stress management are organized. Government has also been giving emphasis on providing proper housing facilities to the police personnel and under the Scheme of Modernisation of the State Police Forces, sufficient funds are allocated for housing of upper and lower subordinates.
- (e):Family pension, ex-gratia assistance, giving compassionate appointment to next of kin, Group Insurance Scheme etc. are sanctioned. In Central Para Military Forces, assistance from risk funds, battalion welfare fund, etc. are also provided to the bereaved families.