GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS RAJYA SABHA QUESTION NO 383 ANSWERED ON 19.07.2017

Equal treatment to paramilitary personnel died in action at par with Army martyrs

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

- (a) whether hon'ble Prime Minister and Home Minister had announced that all personnel from paramilitary forces who have lost life in terrorist attacks or naxalite attacks would be given equal treatment and equal facilities at par with Army martyrs by Government;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether notifications have been issued by Government in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the date and number of notifications; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI KIREN RIJIJU)

(a) to (e): Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs) and Army are not comparable on a one to one basis as there are differences in their retirement age, service rules etc.

The benefits are given to Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs) & Assam Rifles (AR) personnel including Next of Kins (NoK) of those CAPF personnel who sacrifice their lives in the course of duty. These, inter-alia, include:--2/...

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- (i) Ex-gratia lump-sum compensation @ Rs.35 lakhs for death on active duty and @ Rs. 25 lakhs for death on duty, as the case may be, is entitled to the Next of Kin of the deceased personnel.
- (ii) The NoK of the deceased is entitled to get Liberalized Family Pension (i.e. last pay drawn) under Central Civil Service (Extra Ordinary Pension) Rules, 1939 and other pensionary benefits as admissible.
- (iii) 5% vacancies are reserved in Group "C" & "D" for compassionate appointments for NoK of the deceased personnel.
- (iv) Under the Prime Minister Scholarship Scheme, amount @ Rs.2250/- pm for girls and Rs.2000/- pm for boys is being released to the wards of serving/retired CAPFs & AR personnel. Prime Minister Scholarship is admissible to 1000 girls and 1000 boys.

- (v) There is a reservation of 15 MBBS and 02 BDS seats for the wards of CAPFs & AR personnel in the seats of Central Government for these courses.
- (vi) Central Police Canteens at various locations in the country have been functioning.
- (vii) A Welfare and Rehabilitation Board has been established for the welfare and rehabilitation of CAPFs & AR personnel and their families including differently abled personnel.
