GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS RAJYA SABHA QUESTION NO 571 ANSWERED ON 20.12.2017

Loss of paramilitary personnel

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that in the recent past the country has lost many of its paramilitary personnel from CRPF, BSF, etc.;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that Government is considering to increase the compensation to personnel who sacrifice their life while in service; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): The detail of Central Armed Police Force/Assam Rifles (CAPFs/AR) personnel, who have lost their lives in action in the year 2017 (upto 30.11.2017) are as under:-

Force Total officers/personnel killed in action.

CRPF 47

BSF 7

ITBP 0

SSB 2

CISF 0

AR8

Total 64

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(c) & (d): The amount of ex-gratia lump sum compensation available to the families of Central Government Civilian employees, who die in the performance of their bona fide official duties under various circumstances has been revised w.e.f. 01.01.2016 as per Department of Pension & Pensioner's welfare (DoP&PW) O.M. dated 04.08.2016 as under:-

Circumstances Amount

Death occurring due to accidents in course of performance of duties. 25 Lakh

Death in the course of performance of duties attributed to acts of violence by terrorists, anti social elements etc. 25 Lakh

Death occurring in border skirmishes and action against militants, terrorists, extremists, sea pirates. 35 Lakh

Death occurring while on duty in the specified high altitude, unaccessible border posts, etc. on account of natural disasters, extreme weather conditions 35 Lakh

Death occurring during enemy action in war or such war like engagements, which are specifically notified by Ministry of Defence and death occurring during evacuation of Indian Nationals from a war-torn zone in foreign country. 45 Lakh

Many States/UTs (where such incidents occur and Home State/UT of the CAPFs personnel killed in action) also provide ex-gratia compensation which varies from State to State. The Central Government has also requested all the States/UTs to explore the possibility of enhancing financial component of their support. In addition to above, CAPFs and AR have their own welfare schemes and funds which are raised at force level to look after the needs of personnel and their families.
