

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
QUESTION NO 421
ANSWERED ON 12.04.2017**

Shortage of Mine Protected Vehicles

421 Shri Rajeev Chandrasekhar

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the CRPF and other paramilitary forces are facing shortage of Mine Protected Vehicles (MPVs);
- (b) the number of MPVs sanctioned by Government to be procured through open tender route and under the modernisation plan in the last three years to deal with threat of IEDs in the LWE affected region;
- (c) the number of MPVs procured during the last three years against the proposed procurement;
- (d) whether there is a shortfall of MPVs in CRPF, if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by Government to reduce the shortfall?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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Statement referred to reply for part (a) to (e) of the Rajya Sabha Starred Question No. *421 by Shri Rajeev Chandrasekhar Hon'ble MP to be answered on 12.04.2017 regarding 'Shortage of Mine Protected Vehicles'.

(a) to (e): The maximum number of MPVs that various forces are currently authorized to procure is as follows:

Sl. No. CAPFs Sanctioned/authorized numbers of MPVs including Modernization Plan

- 1 Assam Rifles 92
- 2 BSF 224
- 3 CRPF 668
- 4 CISF 10
- 5 ITBP 40
- 6 NSG 16
- 7 SSB 07

2. The actual procurement of any equipment, including Mine Protected Vehicles (MPVs), is guided

by operational requirements and priorities, competing requirements and availability of finances.

The forces have thus far procured MPVs as follows:

Sl. No. CAPFs Holding of MPVs

1 Assam Rifles 28

2 CRPF 126

3 BSF 24

4 ITBP 20

3. The details of procurement of MPVs in the last 3 years and the ongoing procurement process in CAPFs are as follows:

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Sl. No. CAPFs Nos. of MPVs procured Source The number of MPVs for which procurement is ongoing Source

1 CRPF 20 From Vehicle Factory Jabalpur (Ordnance Factory Board) 40 From Vehicle Factory Jabalpur

2 BSF - - 12 From Vehicle Factory Jabalpur

3 ITBP - - 12 From Vehicle Factory Jabalpur

4 SSB - - 07 From Vehicle Factory Jabalpur
