

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
QUESTION NO 68
ANSWERED ON 08.02.2017**

[Suicide attempts and attack on fellow personnel in paramilitary forces](#)

68 Shri Kiranmay Nanda

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

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been an increase in number of suicide attempts and attacks on fellow persons in paramilitary forces during the last three years, which are strong indicators of growing job dissatisfaction in paramilitary forces;

(b) if so, the reasons for such increase in depressive psychosis behaviour among paramilitary forces; and

(c) the steps Government proposes to keep morale of paramilitary forces high?

ANSWER

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

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

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO THE RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.*68 FOR 8.2.2017.

(a) to (c): As per information provided by Central Armed Police Forces and Assam Rifles (CAPFs & AR), the number of cases of suicide and fratricide during the last three years is as under :-

Year	Suicides	Fatricides	Total
2014	125	7	132
2015	108	6	114
2016	92	6	98

The causative factors in most of the cases were found to be generally personal and domestic problems like marital discord, personal enmity, mental illness, depression and work related issues.

The steps taken by Government to improve the working condition of CAPF personnel and to boost their morale are :-

(i) Transparent policies pertaining to transfer and leave of CAPFs and AR personnel.

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- (ii) Regular interaction with troops to find out and redress their grievances.
- (iii) Ensure adequate rest and relief by regulating duty hours.
- (iv) Improving living conditions for troops, providing adequate recreational/ entertainment, sports, communication facilities etc.
- (v) Providing better medical facilities, organizing talks with specialists to address their personal and psychological concerns and organizing Meditation and Yoga for better stress management.
- (vi) Adequately compensating the troops deployed in different areas.
- (vii) Regular promotions to eligible personnel as and when the vacancies arise.
