

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 711**

**TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 08<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2023/ MAGHA 19, 1944 (SAKA)**

**TERRORIST ATTACKS IN JAMMU**

**711 SHRI DIGVIJAYA SINGH:  
SHRI SHAKTISINH GOHIL:**

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

**(a) the number of people, both civilians and security personnel, who got injured and killed in terrorist attacks since 5th August 2019 in Jammu region, district-wise & year-wise;**

**(b) whether it is a fact that Village Defence Committees (VDC) have not been constituted in Poonch and Rajouri even though they are highly susceptible to terrorist attacks;**

**(c) whether Government considers setting up Village Defence Committees across Jammu & Kashmir and providing them support through army personnel in the wake of recent terrorist attacks; and**

**(d) if so, details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS  
(SHRI NITYANAND RAI)**

**(a) The details are enclosed as Annexure.**

**(b) The Village Defence Group Scheme, notified by the Government of J&K in the year 1995, did not envisage constitution of the Village Defence Committees (VDC). However, in terms of the Scheme *ibid*, Village Defence Groups (VDGs) were to be constituted. Village Defence Groups, in terms of the Scheme of 1995, have already been constituted in the Districts of Poonch and Rajouri of the Jammu Division for the protection of Villages.**

**(C)&(d) As per Village Defence Guards Scheme (VDGs), notified by the Government of UT of J&K on 14.08.2022, apart from the areas/village already declared as vulnerable areas in the Scheme of 1995, any other area/village, which may be considered “more vulnerable area” by the law enforcement agencies, necessitating application of the Scheme ibid to such other area/village, the Government can by an order declare such other area/village as a “more vulnerable area” for the purpose of the Scheme ibid.**

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**CIVILIANS AND SECURITY PERSONNEL KILLED/INJURED SINCE 5<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2019 TO 2022:**

Description	Security Personnel Killed				Security Personnel injured				Civilians Killed				Civilians injured			
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2019	2020	2021	2022	2019	2020	2021	2022	2019	2020	2021	2022
<b>Jammu</b>	01	00	00	01	05	03	02	11	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
<b>Rajouri</b>	00	02	05	04	00	00	12	02	00	00	01	00	00	01	07	02
<b>Poonch</b>	00	00	09	00	00	00	03	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
<b>Ramban</b>	01	00	00	00	05	00	00	02	00	00	00	00	00	00	02	00
<b>Kishtwar</b>	00	01	00	00	00	01	01	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
<b>Doda</b>	00	01	00	00	00	00	01	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
<b>Udhampur</b>	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	01	00	00	00	17
<b>TOTAL</b>	02	04	14	05	10	04	19	15	00	00	01	01	00	01	09	19