## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DEFENCE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE LOK SABHA

## **UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2865**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 2<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER, 2016

## SUICIDE BY DEFENCE PERSONNEL

2865. DR. HEENA VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT: KUNWAR BHARATENDRA: SHRI MOHITE PATIL VIJAYSINH SHANKARRAO: SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE j{kk ea=h be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a number of soldiers working in extreme weather conditions have committed suicide due to stress during the last three years and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) has tied up with IIT Kharagpur to work out methods to help increase the happiness quotient of Indian soldiers and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the number of Indian soldiers to be benefited from this move along with the time by which the happiness quotient is likely to be introduced?

## A N S W E R

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)

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- (a) The information in respect of Navy and Air Force is 'Nil'. No data on suicides in Indian Army due to extreme weather conditions related stress is maintained separately.
- (b) & (c): There is no project of DRDO with IIT, Kharagpur on happiness quotient of Indian soldiers.

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