

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE  
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2013  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 7<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2018

**IMPACT OF CLIMATE CHANGE**

2013. SHRI R. DHRUVA NARAYANA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the impact of climate change on the high altitude army bases; and
- (b) the details of the measures being taken by the Government to ensure the safety of the soldiers in these areas?

A N S W E R

MINISTER OF STATE (DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)  
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**(a) & (b): High Altitude Army Bases have been created over the years after due reconnaissance and detailed evaluation of the terrain conditions. The adverse impact of climate change are in the form of avalanches, cold injuries like frost bite and chill blains, snow slides and scarcity of water. Adequate safety precautions are exercised by the ground troops at such Army bases. Special extra cold climate clothing and survival training against avalanches is also provided. Special medical care is provided to troops located in such inhospitable terrain.**

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