

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †4067**

**TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 20<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2018/ PHALGUNA 29, 1939 (SAKA)**

**SHORTAGE OF MINE-PROTECTED VEHICLES**

**†4067. SHRI SATISH CHANDRA DUBEY:  
SHRI HARI MANJHI:**

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

**(a) whether the Central Armed Police Forces (CAPF) including Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) are facing shortage of Mine-Protected Vehicles and if so, the details thereof;**

**(b) the number of Mine-protected Vehicles approved by the Government for purchase through open tender and under modernisation scheme to tackle the challenge of IEDs in left-wing extremism affected areas during the last three years;**

**(c) the number of such vehicles purchased vis-a-vis number of vehicles proposed to be purchased during the said period, force-wise; and**

**(d) the other effective steps taken by the Government to meet the shortage?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(a): The requirement of Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs) for any item including Mine Protected Vehicles changes with time and their deployment pattern. Acquisition of such items is an ongoing process. The actual procurement of any equipment, including Mine Protected Vehicles is guided by operational requirements and availability of funds.**

**(b): MHA has sanctioned 157 Mine Protected Vehicles for procurement by CAPFs from Ordnance Factory Board (OFB) during the last three years.**

**(c) & (d): Out of total sanctioned 157 Mine Protected Vehicles, 13 MPVs have been supplied by OFB to CAPFs so far. Ministry of Home Affairs has requested Ministry of Defence/Ordnance Factory Board to expedite the supply of Mine Protected Vehicles to CAPFs.**