

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

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.6173**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 4<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2018

**USAGE OF SOCIAL MEDIA**

6173. SHRI RAMSINH RATHWA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE जेके एच  
be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has noticed any incidents of usage of social media by on duty Defence personnel;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has taken any measures to address it; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

**A N S W E R**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE

(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

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**(a) to (c): No Madam, Defence Personnel are not permitted to bring smart phones in any office premises on duty. Also, necessary instructions on use of social media by serving personnel / organization have been promulgated which list out the Do's & Don'ts, guidelines and content which are barred from being posted on social media platform. Cyber Security Policy 2017 has also been promulgated to ensure the following:**

- (i) Sharing of information pertaining to organization;**
- (ii) Disclosure of Departmental name on Job Sites;**
- (iii) Uploading of Pictures in Uniform;**
- (iv) Uploading of Picture during Troop Movement, etc.**

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