

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.146
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 18TH JULY, 2018

TACTICAL OPERATIONS

146. ADV. M. UDHAYAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Pakistan Army personnel killed by Indian Army in 2017 in tactical operations and retaliatory cross border firings along the Line of Control (LoC) in J&K;
- (b) the number of Indian Army soldiers martyred / killed and injured during the same period along the LoC in the cross border firings and other incidents during the same period; and
- (c) the steps taken to reduce the casualties on the Indian side of LoC?

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(a) to (c): The cross border retaliatory firing, resulted in casualties among Pakistan Army personnel beyond the Line of Control (LoC) in J&K. Battle Casualties (Fatal) and (Non-Fatal) have occurred in Cease Fire Violations, enemy fire across LC and other incidents such as avalanche, terrorist attack, land slide and mine blast. Details regarding Indian Army are as follows:

Battle Casualties (Fatal):

Year	Officer	JCOs / ORs
2017	08	98

Battle Casualties (Non-Fatal):

Year	Officer	JCOs/ORs
2017	18	137

All the forward posts along the LC are adequately strengthened to withstand enemy fire. Apart from this, there are well established Standing Operating Procedures (SOPs) to safeguard against enemy action along the LC to minimize our casualties. Operational procedures are reviewed regularly to defeat the nefarious designs of enemy.
