GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DEFENCE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.869

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 26TH JUNE 2019

CRASH OF MI-17 HELICOPTER

869. SHRI SANTOKH SINGH CHAUDHARY:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that an MI-17 helicopter was downed by friendly fire in Budgam on February 27, 2019 and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the number of persons killed in the crash;
- (c) whether any enquiry/investigation has been conducted in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details and the outcome thereof and the action taken thereon; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to avoid such incidents in future?

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI RAJNATH SINGH)

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(SHRI RAJNATH SINGF 1/4Jh राजनाथ सिंह)

- (a) & (b): A Mi-17 Helicopter of Indian Air Force crashed on 27.02.2019 near Budgam. Total six service personnel and one civilian were killed in the crash.
- (c), (d) & (e): A Court of Inquiry is in progress to ascertain the cause of accident. Every aircraft accident is investigated through a Court of Inquiry and remedial measures are undertaken accordingly to avoid such accidents in future.
