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

## **UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1577**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 4<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2016

## PROCUREMENT OF BULLET PROOF JACKETS

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

- (a) whether the Government has carried out any study to identify needs of special uniforms for safety of soldiers deployed on borders / field areas in the country and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether the Government has decided to procure bullet proof jackets and protective gears / garments for soldiers in a time bound manner;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the procurement is likely to be made;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to frame any policy for periodic review and necessary upgradation in the uniforms of the soldiers; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

## ANSWER

MINISTER OF DEFENCE

(SHRI MANOHAR PARRIKAR)

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(a) Various studies are carried out periodically by duly constituted Study Groups for assessing the requirement of safety of soldiers deployed on borders / field areas in the country.

- (b) & (c): The procurement of bullet proof jackets and protective gears / garments for the authorized quantity as per Annual Provisioning Review is an ongoing process.
- (d) & (e): Policy on Product Improvement for periodic review and necessary upgradation in uniforms of soldiers already exists.

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