GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1669 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 8th MARCH, 2016/PHALGUNA 18, 1937 (SAKA)

DOG SQUAD FOR NDRF

1669. SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that a squad of 162 dogs is being raised by the National Disaster Response Force to aid its personnel in rescuing people trapped under debris in the aftermath of natural calamities; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI KIREN RIJIJU)

(a) & (b): The National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) has a authorized

strength of 168 dogs in different battalions to aid its personnel in rescuing

the people trapped under debris in the aftermath of natural calamities. At

present, the number of dogs available in different squads is 148, out of

which 83 are trained dogs and training is being imparted to the remaining

65 dogs.

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