

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1150
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 29TH APRIL, 2016

SUICIDAL TENDENCY AMONG DEFENCE PERSONNEL

1150. SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:

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

- (a) the total number of incidents of suicides and killing of colleagues in the defence forces noticed during each of the last three years;
- (b) whether the Government has taken any steps for reducing tension and preventing such suicidal tendencies among defence personnel; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the success achieved in this regard?

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MINISTER OF DEFENCE

(SHRI MANOHAR PARRIKAR)

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(a) to (c): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1150 FOR ANSWER ON 29.4.2016

(a) Number of incidents of suicide and fratricide in the defence forces during last three years is as under:

Year	Army		Navy		Air Force	
	Suicide	Fratricide	Suicide	Fratricide	Suicide	Fratricide
2013	86	03	06	Nil	15	Nil
2014	84	03	04	Nil	24	01
2015	77	01	03	Nil	15	Nil

(b) & (c): Government has taken various measures to reduce stress and prevent such incidents. Some of these measures include: improvement in living and working conditions through provision of better infrastructure and facilities; additional family accommodation, liberalized leave policy, establishing a grievance redressal mechanism, provision of counselling by psychological counsellors, conduct of yoga, meditation as part of unit routine etc.
