GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:393 ANSWERED ON:26.07.2005 PROCUREMENT OF MINE PROTECTED VEHICLES Saradgi Shri Iqbal Ahmed

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of Para-Military personnel killed in landmine blasts in J&K during the last three years, year-wise, till date;
- (b) whether militants and naxal outfits have been successfully targeting troops by using land mines and improvised explosive devices; and
- (c) if so, the time by which the mine protected vehicles for central forces would be procured?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a): The number of Security personnel killed in landmine blasts in the State of Jammu and Kashmir during the last three years is given below:-

Year Security Personnel killed in Landmine blasts

2002 5
2003 2
2004 Nil
2005 (Till July 15) 1

- (b): To inflict maximum damage on security personnel, the militants and naxal outfits are concentrating on landmines and improvised explosive devices.
- (c): Two Mine Protected Vehicles have been made available to Central Police Forces during 2004-05. Orders for 120 more such vehicles have been placed for supply during the current financial year, for use by Central as well as State Police Forces.