

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1812
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LONG DUTY HOURS OF PMF PERSONNEL
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether symptoms of oversteering and longer duty hours are being increasingly manifested by personnel in Para-military forces inter-alia the growing incidents of over-use of force;
- (b) if so, the details and reasons therefor;
- (c) whether any review of the general state of mental health of the personnel of Para-Military forces is carried out periodically;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): Some individual cases of stress amongst personnel of Central Police Forces (CPFs) have come to light. Continuous deployment in hard and far flung areas for long periods and inability to fulfill family commitments to the desired extent are some of the reasons responsible for overstress.
- (c) (d) & (e): All CPF personnel undergo mandatory annual medical examination in which physical as well as mental state of health are assessed.