

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

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SUICIDE CASES IN ARMY  
Singh Shri Pashupati Nath

**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) the number of suicide cases in Army by the Jawans during the last three years;
- (b) whether any inquiry has been made with a view to ascertain the reasons;
- (c) whether some cases have also been brought to the notice of the Government during the last five years in which charges have been allegedly leveled by the family members of jawans that their wards have been murdered;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and whether any inquiry has been conducted in this regard; and
- (e) if so, the details of outcome thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (e): 302 cases of suicide by Army Jawans have been reported during the last three years. Every case of suicide is investigated by a Court of Inquiry. In six cases, family members of the jawans had leveled charges of murder. In the Court of Inquiry, local civil police and medical authorities had also been associated. All the six inquiries have been concluded and it has been found that the jawans had in fact committed suicide.