GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3142 ANSWERED ON:13.12.2011 SUICIDE BY POLICE PERSONNEL Jeyadural Shri S. R.

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there have been several cases of suicides by police personnel in the country;

(b) if so, the number of such cases reported during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise including Delhi and UT police;

(c) whether any investigation has been conducted or study undertaken to find out the causes/circumstances for such incidents;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the findings and recommendations made therein alongwith the action taken by the Government thereon; and

(e) the corrective steps taken by the Government including easing of job related stress and improving the working conditions and mental health of the police personnel?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN)

(a)&(b): A total of 139, 162 and 189 police personnel committed suicide in the country during 2008, 2009 and 2010, respectively. The State/UT-wise details of suicides committed by police personnel during 2008-2010, as available with National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB), is indicated in the Statement at Annexure. The latest data available with NCRB is pertaining to 2010.

(c)to(e): An in-house study on `Stress Management in the Central Para-Military Forces (CPMFs) (2005)` was undertaken by Bureau of Police Research & Development (BPR&D), 2005. The Micro-Mission 01 of the National Police Mission has conceived a project on Civil Police Restructuring. Three workshops were already held at Delhi, Kolkata and Hyderabad for this purpose. This project will increase promotional avenues for constable upto a large extent. BPR&D is formulating another project on `Physical & Mental Health` of police personnel under Micro Mission-01 of National Police Mission which will suggest some measures to redress the stress and service related tension among the police personnel at various levels.