

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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STRENGTH OF CAPFS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the actual strength of the Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs), rank-wise and force-wise;
- (b) the total number of CAPF personnel that have been provided with weapons/arms, rank-wise and force-wise;
- (c) whether most of the CAPFs do not get to use their weapons/ arms for long intervals;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether adequate practice and training in usage of arms/weapons is being provided to these personnel at regular intervals, especially to those personnel who do not get to use their arms/weapons often; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI JITENDRA SINGH)

(a): The actual strength of the Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs), rank-wise and force-wise are as under:-

FORCE Officers/GOs JCOs/SOs ORs			
ARs	999	3739	60467
BSF	3903	27165	196446
CISF	1200	18425	95028
CRPF	4055	34393	241414
ITBP	1218	7678	53016
NSG	364	1230	7331
SSB	726	3778	58727

(b): CAPFs personnel are provided with weapons/arms as per authorization in the respective Force. However, the rank-wise and force-wise details of weapon/arms are not disclosed in the interest of National Security.

(c) to (f): No Madam. All CAPF personnel are provided adequate practice and training for usage of arms/weapons regularly to keep them familiarized with the handling and use weapon through Annual firing practice Intensive Refresher Training and other promotional /in-service courses conducted from time to time.