GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEFENCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:542 ANSWERED ON:23.11.2009 ALLOWANCES FOR GALLANTARY AWARD WINNERS Siddeswara Shri Gowdar Mallikarjunappa

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to increase monthly pension and allowance to gallantary award winners and sanction awardwise incentives in accordance with pension and allowances being given to freedom fighters;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE(SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (c): The monetary allowances of gallantary award winners have been increased from time to time. The last such increase was made in May 2008. The entitlements of the freedom fighters and the gallantary awardees are not comparable and they form two distinct categories.