

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

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SUICIDE CASES IN ARMY  
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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether over 350 suicide cases reported during the last three years involving army personnel;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether more than 25,000 personnel have quit the force during the said period due to stressful working environment; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) & (b): The details of suicide cases in respect of Army personnel for the last three years are as under:-

Year	Total number of suicide cases
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2009	96
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2010	115
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2011	102
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2012	81 (upto 20th November 2012)
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(c) & (d): During the last three years, 25063 army personnel have proceeded on pre-mature retirement. However, reasons for seeking pre-mature retirement cannot be attributed to stressful working environment. The details of pre-mature retirement in respect of Army personnel (JCOs/OR) during last three years are as under:-

Year	Pre-mature Retirement
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2009	7499
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2010	7249
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2011	10315
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