

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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SUBSTANDARD BULLET PROOF JACKETS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the bullet proof jackets made by the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) have miserably failed in the tests conducted to prove their worthiness at Meerut and Azamgarh recently;
- (b) whether these jackets are also heavy in weight and affect the operational efficiency of the officers; and
- (c) if so, the steps taken / proposed to be taken by the Government in the matter?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

- (a) No Bullet Proof Jacket (Body Armour Jacket) designed and developed by Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) has been subjected to a test at Meerut and Azamgarh.
- (b) & (c): The Bullet Proof Jackets developed by DRDO met the Qualitative Requirements (QRs) given by the Users. These Jackets are available in different configurations and provide different levels of protection. These have been designed to ensure proper fitting to enable the wearer to perform his operational tasks without any hindrance as per QRs given.