

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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MEDICAL INFRASTRUCTURE IN NAXAL AFFECTED REGIONS

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is fact that only twenty- eight per cent of wounded soldiers in the naxal affected States survived ;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether fatality figures suggest that medical infrastructure must be proportionate to increasing troop deployment;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to provide adequate medical infrastructure in naxal affected States?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIBHAI PARATHIBHAI CHAUDHARY)

(a) & (b): As per the reports available from Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs), the survival rate of the injured CAPFs personnel in the current year is more than 70 percent in the LWE affected areas. However, it is the constant endeavor of the Government to further improve the percentage of survival rate.

(c) to (e): It is true that the medical infrastructure facilities should be commensurate to the level of deployment of security forces. While the LWE affected States have their own network of medical infrastructure catering to the requirement of security forces deployed in the LWE affected areas, the Central Armed Police Forces have set up medical infrastructure facilities. Besides providing basic medical equipments, sufficient medicines and ambulances with life saving support system for immediate care of the forces, following medical facilities have been provided to augment the medical infrastructure:

- (i) All the battalions of CAPFs have a 10 bedded hospital at the Battalion Headquarters with medical officers, adequate nursing and basis medical equipments and lab facilities.
- (ii) CRPF has set up one 50 bedded Composite Hospital either in the state capital or in major city of each LWE affected State.
- (iii) CRPF has established 20 Field Surgical Units at vulnerable locations of the LWE affected areas.
- (iv) SSB has established 10 bedded unit hospitals at battalion level for providing medical services to SSB personnel.
- (v) Special training is given to medical and para-medical staff posted in the LWE areas at Trauma Centre, New Delhi.
- (vi) Helicopter services are also provided for the evacuation of injured personnel on need basis.
- (vii) Under National Health Mission, financial support is provided to States/Union Territories including LWE affected States to strengthen their health care system so as to augment the number and functionality of Sub Centres, Primary Health Centres, Community Health Centres and Sub District Hospitals.