

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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Death of Soldiers in Siachen
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of soldiers lost their lives in Siachen during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether the Government has taken any diplomatic measure to maintain the strategic importance of the region; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI MANOHAR PARRIKAR)

- (a) The details of fatal casualties occurred in Siachen during the last three years and the current year are as under:-

Year Fatal Casualties

2012 12

2013 10

2014 06

2015

(upto 24th July) 05

(b) & (c): Government's principled and consistent position on the issue of Jammu & Kashmir is that the entire state of the Jammu & Kashmir is an integral part of the Indian Union. A part of the territory of the State is under illegal occupation of Pakistan. India is committed to discuss all outstanding issues with Pakistan through a peaceful bilateral dialogue.
