

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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MARTYR STATUS TO FREEDOM FIGHTERS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has declared Bhagat Singh, Sukhdev and Rajguru as martyrs;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI KIREN RIJU)

(a) to (c): Eminent freedom fighters like Bhagat Singh, Sukhdev and Rajguru who sacrificed their lives during the National Freedom Struggle become martyrs for the cause of attaining the independence of India. Martyrdom of the above freedom fighters and their invaluable contribution in India's Freedom Struggle is well known in our history. Role of the said revolutionaries in our freedom struggle is an inalienable part of the discourse of our independence. Martyrdom of Bhagat Singh, Sukhdev and Rajguru in the supreme national cause of independence is a fact and is not dependent on the presumed presence or absence of official records. Their stature is far above any title or status accorded in this regard. The nation will always be grateful to Shaheed Bhagat Singh, Sukhdev and Rajguru who laid down their lives for a better future of India. Their names will always be written in golden words in the annals of Indian History. The Government and the entire nation recognize their invaluable contribution during the freedom struggle launched for attainment of India's independence.