

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Bullet Proof Jackets

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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is shortage of bullet-proof jackets in the Armed Forces and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has procured bullet-proof jackets for the army in the past two years and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether bullet-proof jackets are produced in the country under the 'Make in India' programme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the other steps taken by the Government to meet the shortage of bullet-proof jackets in the Armed Forces?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)

IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

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(a) & (b): Bullet Proof Jackets (BPJs) are being provided to soldiers as per laid down specifications and authorization. The procurement of Bullet Proof Jackets for the authorized quantity as per Annual Provisioning Review is an on-going process. In the past two years, 50,000 BPJs have been procured for the Indian Army.

(c) & (d): The procurement of 50,000 BPJs indicated in reply to part (a) & (b) is through an Indian Manufacturer. Further, the case for procurement of BPJs of quantity 1,86,138 through Capital Route is under Buy (Indian) category.

BPJs are scaled items and they are procured as per laid down policy from time to time to meet the requirement of the Armed Forces.
