

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOME AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

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WEAPON REPLACEMENT  
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**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the CRPF which is fighting against naxalites in several States has asked the Ministry to replace its outdated and old weapons especially the INSAS rifles to avoid casualties at the hand of the outlaws; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): CRPF has been allowed to replace 19077 nos of 9mm Carbine with AK Assault Rifles under Modernization Plan-II for CAPFs. Further, a proposal of CRPF for enhancement of existing authorization of Assault Rifles from 25% to 50% and 75% respectively in J&K and LWE areas is under consideration. However, 5.56mm INSAS rifles are primary weapons of CAPFs and not an old and outdated weapon at present.