

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY): (a) and (b) Army has identified 73 roads as critical and strategically important. In addition to this, 10 Railway projects have also been identified for development in the States of Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand and Arunachal Pradesh.

Government is seized of the security imperatives of the country as well as the need for developing requisite infrastructure in the border areas. Necessary steps, as required, have been initiated for ensuring that national security concerns are adequately addressed through development of infrastructure, including rail, roads and forward air fields, as well as operational capabilities of the Armed forces to secure the desired national security objectives.

**Anti-mine vehicles for security forces  
in naxal affected areas**

\*414. SHRI T.M. SELVAGANAPATHI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to deploy more than 7,000 personnel in naxal affected areas in the country;

(b) whether it is also a fact that to deal with naxalites, Government is considering to provide anti-mine vehicles to forces;

(c) whether it is also a fact that more than 100 security personnel are killed every year by land mines planted across maoist hotspots; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI JITENDRA SINGH): (a) Presently, 73 battalions of Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs), 01 Nagaland India Reserve Battalion and 09 Commando Battalion for Resolute Action (CoBRA) have been deployed in naxal affected states to assist the state police forces in anti-naxal operations. Any request from State Governments for more deployment is considered on a case to case basis and subject to the availability of Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs) battalions.

(b) Mine Protected Vehicles (MPVs) have been provided to the security forces engaged in anti-naxal operations in LWE affected states by the Government of India under the 'Modernization of State Police Forces Scheme'.

(c) to (d) The details of security personnel killed in landmine blasts during last few years are given below:

Year	Security personnel killed
2005	79
2006	62
2007	66
2008	80
2009	141
2010	158
2011 (up to 10.12.2011)	49

**Textile mills closed down in Andhra Pradesh**

\*415. SHRIMATI GUNDU SUDHARANI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry is aware that four man-made cotton textile mills have been closed down in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the mill-wise number of employees who became jobless; and

(d) what efforts the Ministry is making to revive the above mills?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI ANAND SHARMA): (a) to (c) As per the records, 32 cotton/man-made fibre textile mills (Non-SSI), having 11172 workers on rolls have been closed in Andhra Pradesh. The details are as under:

Sl. No.	Name of Mill	Workers on rolls
1	2	3
1.	Anantapur Cotton Mills	299
2.	The Andhra Co-op Spg Mills Ltd.	1151
3.	The Chirala Co-operative Spinning Mills Ltd.	637