

Year	Total
2005	77
2006	129
2007	118
2008	123
2009	96
2010	115
2011	102
2012 (upto 31st July)	62

(d) As per studies conducted by Defence Institute of Psychological Research (DIPR), the major causes of suicides in army are domestic problems, marital discord, stress and financial problems.

Delay in completion of strategic Air Force projects

†47. SHRI RASHEED MASOOD: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of such strategic projects in air force that have not been completed on time;

(b) the action being taken to complete these projects; and

(c) whether, it is a fact that Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) in its Defence related Report of 2010-11 has held air force responsible for causing inordinate delay in the development of fighter plane squadron?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY): (a) to (c) Capital procurements for the Indian Air Force (IAF) are progressed as per the procedure and broad timelines stipulated in the Defence Procurement Procedure-2011. The standard terms of procurement contracts contain provisions for levy of Liquidated Damages for delays in delivery. There have been delays in some cases which pertain mainly to indigenous Make and Design and Development projects. All projects are monitored at various levels at both Air Headquarters and the Ministry of Defence and appropriate steps are taken to expedite completion of the projects. Audit Para 2, 7;

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(Inordinate delay in development of Air Bases) of Comptroller and Auditor General Report No. 16 of 2010-11 (Air Force and Navy) had made observations regarding delay in the establishment and activation of air bases at Phalodi and Thanjavur. The delay was due to various factors including change in plans necessitated due to operational requirements of the Indian Air Force, paucity of resources as well as changes in the geopolitical situation.

Hacking in Eastern Naval Command, Visakhapatnam

†48. SHRIMATI MAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Chinese hackers have succeeded in hacking the sensitive network of Eastern Naval Command based in Visakhapatnam and stealing intelligence inputs;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether any lapse has been reported in the computers installed in sensitive establishments in terms of security from hackers?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY): (a) to (c) Hacking is a constant and real threat worldwide in the cyber domain. There were intelligence reports in November 2011 about probable compromise of computers of Eastern Naval Command, based in Visakhapatnam. The matter has been investigated and appropriate steps have been taken to strengthen security of network.

Roadmap for enhancing combat capabilities of Armed Forces

49. SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has put any roadmap in place for enhancing the combating capabilities of the Armed Forces within a time-frame in view of the recent reports of arms and ammunition shortage with the Armed Forces; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY): (a) and. (b) Augmentation of combat capabilities of Armed Forces is an ongoing process based on operational requirements. A Long Term Perspective Plan has been drawn in this regard.

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