

1	2	3	4	5	6
Scientist 'F'	3	2 2*	1 1*	3*	3*
Scientist 'G'	1*	-	1*	-	1*
Scientist 'H'/OS	-	-	-	1*	-
DS	-	1*	-	-	-
TOTAL:	68	68	89	71	62

*Data for Voluntary Retirement Scheme (VRS).

The reasons for their leaving the Organisation are personal and/or for pursuing higher studies.

Procurement of modern weapons

†1589. SHRI NARESH AGRAWAL: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has procured modern arms to secure the country from foreign forces;

(b) if so, whether they are adequate and the budget allocated for them is sufficient; and

(c) if not, whether Government is hesitating to procure new arms due to the seems in defence sector?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY): (a) to (c) Modernisation of Defence Forces is an ongoing process. Procurement of equipment and ammunition is carried out on a continuous basis as per the Annual Acquisition Plan (AAP), which in turn is part of the Services Capital Acquisition Plan (SCAP) of five years. The procurement process aims at keeping the Defence Forces in a state of readiness and remaining equipped with modern weapon systems. For this, adequate budgetary allocations are being made by the Government. Allocated budget is optimally utilized to meet the needs of the armed forces.

Supply of NVDs by BEL

1590. DR. V. MAITREYAN: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(a) the technical and financial performance of Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL), in the contract for supplying of telescopic Night Vision Devices (NVDs) for paramilitary forces;

(b) whether it had supplied required quantity and quality of NVDs, if so, details thereof, till date;

(c) whether the Home Ministry has asked Defence Ministry to investigate if proper trial procedures were followed or BEL flouted procurement rules and procedures and had charged the Ministry twice the market price even when some of components were sourced from grey market; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the investigations of the entire deal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI JITENDRA SINGH): (a) BEL was selected by Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) for supply of Passive Night Vision (PNV) Telescopic Sights after trial evaluation carried out by a Board of Officers headed by BSF, on the Sights offered by OFB and BEL. Since the model offered by BEL met all the parameters of the user, BSF issued a single tender enquiry to BEL for procurement of these PNV Telescopic Sights.

(b) Yes, Sir. BEL's supply fully complied with the quantity, quality and scheduled delivery period specified by MHA in the supply order. BEL supplied 6000 Nos. of PN Telescopic Sights with XD 4 II Tube at a value of Rs. 184 crores as per order of June, 2010 and another 2109 Nos. at a value of Rs. 64 crores based on repeat order of December, 2010. Pre Dispatch Inspection (PDI) was carried out by MHA before dispatch of the products.

(c) and (d) The Department of Defence Production examined the allegations contained in a press report and after careful examination informed the Ministry of Home Affairs that the selection of vendors of BEL was done through global tenders and there was no compromise on the quality of the Night Vision Devices.

Increase in crimes against women and children in Delhi

1591. SHRIMATI KUSUM RAI:

SHRI PRABHAT JHA:

SHRI ARVIND KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been an increase of around 130 per cent in cases of rapes