

(c) the steps taken by Government to ensure that crew of all warships follow the SOPs and take all precautionary steps to avoid such mishaps in future?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI MANOHAR PARRIKAR): (a) There have been four mishaps involving naval ships in the past six months. A list of the mishaps is given in the Statement (*See below*).

(b) The Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) as formulated have been adhered to in these four mishaps.

(c) Advisories for adherence to SOPs have been issued. Monitoring of adherence to the prescribed SOPs has also been instituted through regular Operational Readiness Assessment by the Flag Officer of Sea Training and Operational Readiness Inspection by respective Commanders-in-Chief. Safety procedures and professional checks are re-emphasized. Incidents Study and Analysis Cells have been instituted at professional schools wherein lessons learnt are incorporated into professional training. Safety Audits of various units have been instituted.

***Statement***

*Details of Mishaps involving naval ships in the past six months*

Sl. No.	Date	Incident
1.	28.06.2014	Damage to port propeller of INS Kuthar while coming alongside at Port Blair.
2.	02.07.2014	Touching bottom of INS Cheetah while entering Kochi Harbour.
3.	31.10.2014	Collision of INS Kora with MV Madeleine Rickmers at Sea.
4.	06.11.2014	Sinking of TRV-72.

**War museum**

†2544. SHRI LAL SINH VADODIA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to establish a war museum;

(b) if so, whether Government has taken any step in this regard; and

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

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI MANOHAR PARRIKAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) A proposal to construct a National War Memorial and National War Museum to commemorate our brave soldiers who have made the supreme sacrifice for the country, is under active consideration.

### **Recruitment to Territorial Army**

†2545. SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the rate of recruitment in Territorial Army during the last decade, annually;

(b) whether there has been decline in the number of Government employees joining Territorial Army voluntarily during the last decade; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI MANOHAR PARRIKAR): (a) The details of rate of recruitment in Territorial Army during the last decade, annually for Personnel Below Officer Ranks (PBOR) and Officers commissioned are given in Statement-I and II respectively (*See below*).

(b) and (c) As per data given in Statement-II, number of Government employees joining Territorial Army varies from year to year.

### ***Statement-I***

*Rate of recruitment of Personnel Below Officer Rank (PBOR) in the Territorial Army during the last decade*

Year	Recruitment in Territorial Army		
	Infantry Territorial Army	Ecological Territorial Army	Departmental Territorial Army
1	2	3	4
01.04.2004 to 31.03.2005	898	39	826
01.04.2005 to 31.03.2006	1592	44	565
01.04.2006 to 31.03.2007	2194	73	1213

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