

of the expenditure on Research and Development of prototype by the Government. Additionally, a Technology Development Fund (TDF) was announced in Union Budget 2014-15 to provide necessary resources to public and private sector companies, including SMEs as well as academic and scientific institutions to support Research and Development of defence systems that enhance cutting edge technology capability in the country.

So far as DPSUs are concerned, in the MOUs signed between Government and DPSUs, a certain percentage of turnover has been fixed towards expenditure on R&D.

Violation of ceasefire on the LoC

2127. SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of violations of the ceasefire on the Line of Control (LoC) in Jammu and Kashmir in the five years, year-wise, between the declaration of the ceasefire and the terrorist attack in Mumbai on 26 November, 2008; and

(b) the number of violations between November, 2008 and the present year, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI MANOHAR PARRIKAR): (a) The details of ceasefire violations along the Line of Control (LoC) in Jammu & Kashmir since declaration of ceasefire *i.e.* 26th November, 2003 to 25th November, 2008 are as under:-

Year	Number of Ceasefire Violations
2003	Nil
(with effect from 26th November to 31st December)	
2004	01
2005	06
2006	03
2007	21
2008	74
(Upto 25th November)	

(b) The details of ceasefire violation along the LoC in Jammu & Kashmir from November, 2008 to the current year are as under:-

Year	Number of Ceasefire Violations
2008	06
(with effect from 26th November to 31st December)	
2009	28
2010	44
2011	51
2012	93
2013	199
2014	153
2015	05
(Upto 4th March)	

Shortage of officers in the Armed Forces

2128. SHRI NARESH GUJRAL: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the total shortage of officers in the Army, Air Force and Navy for the last three years till date; and

(b) the policy initiatives taken by Government to make defence an attractive career option for the youth of the country?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI MANOHAR PARRIKAR): (a) Details of shortage of officers in the Armed Force (excluding medical and dental branch) for the last three years till date are as under:

Year	Army	Navy	Air Force
2012	10100	2054	573
2013	9590	1748	635
2014	8455	1540	394
2015	9642*	1322	152
	(As on 1.1.2015)	(As on 31.1.2015)	(As on 2.2.2015)

*Increase in shortage is due to increase in authorized strength.