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DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 535
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12th December, 2022

MISUSE OF ID PROOFS OF ARMY PERSONNEL

535 SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR GUPTA:

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware that unscrupulous elements were found with copies of identity (ID) proofs of army men for duping people;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that cyber cheats secure data of army personnel, including taking their identity proofs in different ways, like offering cheap mobile SIM; and
- (c) the steps being taken to create awareness among army personnel to ensure that these identity proofs are not used to dupe common people on online selling sites?

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MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(SHRI AJAY BHATT)

- (a): Yes, Sir.
- (b): Yes, Sir. The likely sources of leakage of ID Proofs are at securing bank loans, new SIMs (Employment Proofs).
- (c): (i) Army Personnel are regularly sensitized by concerned higher authorities and through SainikSammelan / Briefings/ Interaction to cautiously use their ID proofs, so that the same does not get misused;
(ii) The Canteen Stores Department Cards which are reportedly misused are blocked;
(iii) Action is taken against complaints and disciplinary action is initiated against defaulters for sharing ID card on online platforms.
