

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE  
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE  
**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.943**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 4<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2015

**SHORTAGE OF SAFETY EQUIPMENT**

943. SHRI DUSHYANT CHAUTALA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE  
be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the safety equipment including the bullet-proof jackets provided to our soldiers in armed forces are not of equal strength as given to the soldiers of armed forces in USA, Britain, Germany and other developed countries;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has any plan to bring the same standard of other developed countries in defence forces;
- (c) whether there is an acute shortage of such safety equipment including bullet-proof jackets in defence forces; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard?

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MINISTER OF STATE  
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

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**(a)&(b): The safety equipments including bullet-proof jackets are procured based on General Staff Qualitative Requirements (GSQRs). Amendments / Review of GSQRs is a continuous process based on the requirement of the forces.**

**(c)&(d): The provisioning of such safety equipments for the authorized quantity as per Annual Provisioning Review is an on-going process. Procurement of operationally required equipments is done with due priority.**

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