

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1468

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MANDATORY CANCER TEST

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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has decided for mandatory cancer test for armed forces personnel;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has set up the required infrastructure to carry out cancer test in defence establishments;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the time by which such facilities are likely to be made available in all defence medical centres?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

- (a) Government has not decided for a separate mandatory cancer test for the Armed Forces personnel.
- (b) In view of (a) above, question does not arise.
- (c) & (d): Facilities exist in the Armed Forces hospitals to detect cancer and conduct investigation, if required.
- (e) In view of (c) & (d) above, question does not arise.