

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

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SUPPLY OF SUBSTANDARD QUALITY UNIFORMS  
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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the soldiers posted in Leh., Siachen and other hostile areas were provided sub-standard quality uniform and other livery items;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps taken to fix responsibility of the officers responsible for providing sub-standard uniform and livery items to soldiers; and
- (d) the measures taken to provide uniform and other livery items to soldiers of these areas suitable to the environment conditions of the area?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) to (d): In the recent past, no case of sub-standard quality uniforms has been reported from Leh, Siachen and other hostile areas. The uniforms for the soldiers of the entire Army are procured either from Ordnance Factories, or through trade. Quality of the items procured are as per the specifications provided by the Director General of Quality Assurance (DGQA). The stores, before supply to the ordnance depots, are inspected and passed by inspectors of DGQA.