

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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BRO` S WORKERS KILLED /INJURED
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any special allowance is being paid to Border Roads Organisation (BRO) workers posted in hilly areas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of workers of the Border Roads Organisation killed/injured while on duty particularly on the Borders during the last three years; and
- (d) the compensation paid to the next kith and kin of deceased workers and to the injured workers during the said period?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) & (b): The following Special Allowances are being paid in Hilly/High Altitude Areas:-

- (i) High Altitude Allowance at a height of 9000 feet and above ranging from Rs. 260/- to Rs. 1600/- per month.
- (ii) Siachen Allowance to General Reserve Engineer Force (GREF) personnel deployed in Nubra Valley (Leh-Ladakh, J&K) ranging from Rs. 1500/- to Rs. 2500/- per month.
- (iii) Snow Clearance Allowance at Rs. 150/- to Rs. 300/- pm.

The following allowances are also available to BRO workers in hilly areas as admissible to other Central Government departments:-

- (i) Composite Hill Compensatory Allowance ranging from Rs. 100/- to Rs. 300/- per month at a height of 1000 meters or above.
- (ii) Special Compensatory (Remote) Locality Allowance in special remote localities of the country ranging Rs. 40/- to Rs. 1300/- per month.

(c)

- (i) Number of BRO workers killed during last three years while on duty: 332.
- (ii) Number of workers injured during last 3 years while on duty: 1062.

(d) Amount of compensation paid to BRO workers killed/injured: Rs. 5,15,74,326/- (Rupees Five Crores Fifteen Lakhs Seventy Four Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Six Only).