

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

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SUPPLY OF SHOES AND CLOTHINGS TO JAWANS  
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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the jawans posted in extremely cold areas have not been supplied with proper shoes and warm clothings causing a lot of hardship for them;
- (b) if so, whether any departmental inquiry has been conducted in this regard;
- (c) if so, the results thereof; and
- (d) the follow-up action taken thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) to (d): The troops posted in extremely cold areas are authorized extreme cold climate clothing items including shoes. The provisioning and procurement of such items is done as per laid down procedure and items are accepted after inspection. Any complaints about quality of items are also dealt with as per laid down procedure. It has always been the endeavour of the Government to provide quality stores to the troops in adequate quantity so that no hardship is faced by the soldiers.