

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOME AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3738  
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AVAILABILITY OF POLICE/MILITARY UNIFORMS  
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**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the availability of police, military and para military forces uniforms in some places of the country have come to the notice of the Government;
- (b) if so, whether the availability of these uniforms in abundant measures in these markets is posing a serious security threat to the country and public also ; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof together with action taken by the Government to contain sale of these uniforms in the country?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) & (b) :- Government is aware that clothing items similar to police, military and para military forces are available for sale in the open market.

(c): The State Governments/Union Territories Administrations have been regularly advised by the Central Government to take strict action against such persons under the law who use clothings similar to the uniforms worn by the police, military and para military forces. Provisions exist under Section 140, 170, 171 and 416 of the IPC and Section 6 of the Official Secrets Act for the prosecution of those who use uniforms resembling that of the police, military and para military forces.