

(a) whether the Government of Uttar Pradesh has asked the Union Government to provide adequate funds and Central Forces to meet the Growing threat of terrorism in the Terai area;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) to (c). Requests for providing funds and Central forces have been received from time to time different States and UTs. Govt. of India consider such requests on the basis of merits and availability of forces. To Meet the growing menace of terrorism in the Terai area, Government of UP had requested for funds and additional forces from the Centre. Additional Co. of para-military forces have been made available to them and an amount of Rs.10 crores have also been released in Feb. 1992 as Grants-in aid for operations against Militants in Terai area.

1st Plan to Creat Disturbances

238. SHRIMATI SRPOJ DUBEY:
SHRI HARI KISHORE SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Government are aware of the Plan of the Inter Services Intelligence (ISI) of Pakistan to motivate Kashmiri militants to settle in the cities of South India and try to drive a wedge between the minority and majority communities as reported in the Hindustan Times dated May 20, 1992; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) and (b). The Government are aware of the press report in question.

According to available information the Pakistan ISI had reportedly directed the terrorists in the valley to step up violence in other parts of the country. There are however, no confirmed reports of noticeable settlement of Kashmiri militants in the cities of South India.

Intelligence information is generally shared with the concerned State Governments to enable them to take preventive measures.

Army Operations in Punjab

239. SHRI LAL BABU RAI:
SHRI MOHAMAD ALI
ASHRAF FATMI:
SHRI SATYA DEO SINGH:
SHRI RAJENDRA AG-
NIHOTRI:
SHRI KAMAL CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to withdraw the Army from the sensitive areas in Punjab;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) the details of militant outfits active in Punjab at present;

(d) the estimated number of militants in each of these outfits;

(e) the measures being taken to curb the militant activities in the State?