

Title: Regarding issues pertaining to border security-laid

SHRI GAURAV GOGOI (KALIABOR): I express my deep anguish over the state of our nation's insecure border. I stand with our brave security forces and salute them for fighting against aggression, to protect our citizens. My concern is with the attitude of the Union Government on border security issues. Skirmishes and standoffs between Indian and Chinese forces have increased since 2013-14. It is reported that there has been 'no patrolling' in 26 out of 65 points, between Karakoram Pass and Chumur. In other words, India has lost access to 26 out of 65 Patrolling Points (PP) in eastern Ladakh. Security of people who live in the border districts is perilled. On the other hand, the Union Government fails to even confess that China illegally occupies our Indian territory and blocks the Indian Army's access to patrolling points. The latest disengagement agreements at PP 15 and 16 have resulted only in the loss of Indian pasture lands in several key areas. China has developed villages and dual-use infrastructure in the eastern and western sectors of the LAC. China is building a new dam in Tibet. I urge upon the Government to take firm decisions on border security issues considering the welfare of the general public.