

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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ISI ACTIVITIES
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether ISI activities were on the rise and a number of bombs were planted in Delhi and also in other States during January, 2000;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether a ship carrying RDX left Karachi for India in January, 2000;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken to meet the situation created by the ISI in India alongwith the extent to which the success is achieved?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

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(a)&(b): Pak ISI is persisting with its efforts to foment terrorism in the country. During the month of January, 2000, an explosion took place in a train stationed at Platform no.9, old Delhi Railway Station on 6.1.2000. Beside two other explosive devices, one at India Gate lawns and the other on the Southern side of the Ramparts of Red Fort were detected on January, 23 and 26 respectively.

(c)&(d): There were some intelligence reports/to this effect. However, so far no report of actual landing has been received.

(e): Government have taken several steps which include sensitising and gearing up of the intelligence machinery, sharing of intelligence and co-ordinated actions by concerned Central and State agencies including Army, para-military Forces, Intelligence agencies and State Police.

Government have adopted a well coordinated and multi-pronged approach for tackling the activities of militants which includes strengthening the border management, neutralizing plans of militants by coordinated intelligence action, setting up of outposts of security forces, modernization and upgradation of Police and Security Forces with advanced sophisticated weapons and communication system etc. Steps taken in this regard have resulted in detection/neutralization of various Pak ISI backed modules.