GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3736 ANSWERED ON:18.04.2000 ENCOUNTERS IN J&K BABUBHAI KHIMABHAI KATARA;GANGASANDRA SIDDAPPA BASAVARAJ

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there were encounters between the terrorists and police/ security forces in Jammu and Kashmir during 1999-2000, till date:
- (b) if so, the details of each of such incidents alongwith persons suffered casualties/ terrorists arrested in each encounter;
- (c) the schemes and programmes evolved to combat terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir and in other disturbed parts of the country; and
- (d) the details of programme chalked out in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

(SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a)&(b): As per available information:

1999 Jan, 2000 to March, 2000

Violent incident directed against Security

Forces 1209 265

Security Forces

Killed 356 82

Civiliance

Killed 821 199

Militants/ Suspects

Apprehended 744 154

(c)&(d): With a view to tackle the problem of terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir, the Government has adopted a multi-pronged approach which includes, inter-alia, stregthening the border management, neutralising plans of the militants by pro-active action against them in the hinter land, gearing up intelligence machinary, greater functional integration through an institutional frame work of Operations Groups and Intelligence Groups of the UHQ at all levels, improved technology, weapons and equipments for Security Forces. Steps are being taken to flush out terrorists and curb terrorist activities including closer vigil on the border, establishment of more naka parties in depth areas to check infiltration/exfiltration, more pickets, intensive patrolling and extensive cordon and search operation.