

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5987
ANSWERED ON:04.05.2000
VIOLATION OF LOC BY MILITANTS IN JAMMU AND KASHMIR
CHANDRAKANT BHAURAO KHAIRE

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of incidents of crossing of LoC by the militants in J & K noticed during 1999 and 2000 till date, date-wise;
- (b) the details of casualties inflicted on both sides, incident-wise;
- (c) the estimated number of militants present in the State of J&K at present;
- (d) whether a large number of militants have entered the Indian territory from points other than LoC after Kargil conflict; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken to flush them out?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE

(SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) & (b): During the period 1.1.1999 to 28.4.2000, 92 infiltration attempts along the Line of Control and International Boundary in J&K were foiled by the army, in which 165 terrorists were killed. Army suffered casualties of 7 killed and 9 wounded.

(c) to (e): Estimates about the number of militants present in the State range between 2400 and 3500. Most of the infiltration is still taking place from across the Line of Control. Some portions of the International Boundary in Jammu are also susceptible. Relentless operations in the hinterland are carried out by the Security Forces to flush out the terrorists who have infiltrated.