GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6729 ANSWERED ON:09.05.2000 DEPLOYMENT OF PMF RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the requests for the deployment of Para Military Forces in the terrorism affected States have been received from the State Governments:
- (b) if so, the number of such requests received during the last three years, till-date, State-wise;
- (c) the number of forces deployed alongwith the number of requests turned down, State-wise; and
- (d) the measures taken by the Government to check violence in the terrorism affected States?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

(SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a): Yes, Sir.

- (b)&(c): The Central Para-Military Forces are made available to assist the State Governments to maintain public order. The levels of deployment of these forces depend upon the overall security scenario in the country and their availability. It would not be in public interest to indicate the details of deployment of these forces in the States.
- (d): Besides the deployment of Central Para Military Forces, the Central Governmentas been providing financial assistance to the State Governments under the Scheme for Modernisation of State Police Forces as well as through the awards of the Finance Commission for improving their policing infrastructure. The Central Government has also been implementing, with effect from the financial year 1997-98, a special scheme for Modernisation of State Police Forces in the North-East under which arms and ammunition, vehicles and communication and other equipment are provided in kind. Further, the Central Government has been reimbursing the security related expenditure to the States of Jammu and Kashmir and North-Eastern Region. The Central Government has also been regularly sensitizing the State Governments and concerned agencies regarding the activities of terrorists/extremists. In order to prevent infiltration and cross-border terrorism, border fencing/flood lighting has also been undertaken on the international border with Pakistan and Bangladesh.