GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS **LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:787 ANSWERED ON:22.11.2002 SMUGGLING OF DRUGS SUBODH ROY

Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have received complaints regarding large scale smuggling of narcotics drugs in the country through Nepal border:
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to check this smuggling?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN)

- (a): Seizures indicate that there is smuggling of narcotic drugs in the country through the Nepal border.
- (b): The details of various types of drugs seized during the last three years, as reported by various Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, are given in the Annexure.
- (c): To deal effectively with the smuggling of narcotic drugs, the Government has taken a number of steps. These include instructions to all drug enforcement agencies to maintain utmost vigil and step up the enforcement efforts, periodical training of the enforcement officers, close interaction between the agencies of the Central and State Governments and quarterly co-ordination meetings for this purpose by the Narcotics Control Bureau, neutralizing organised drug traffickers by coordinated action, modernization and upgradation of the police and security forces with advanced sophisticated weapons, empowerment of a large number of Central and State Agencies under the NDPS Act to ensure its effective implementation, and a liberal reward scheme for informers.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.787 TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.11.2002

Details of various types of drugs seized in Indo-Nepal border during the last three years [i.e. 2000, 2001 and 2002 (upto September)] as reported by various drug law enforcement agencies

Year	r 2000		2001 2		002 [upto Sept.]	
					No. of in Kg.	
Heroin	5	1.564	0	0	2	0.320
Ganja	61	832	73	1191.51	71	1848.03
Hashish	52 1	186.805	50	801.925	34	368.94
Opium	3	10.090	5	7.04	2	22.012