## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:5 ANSWERED ON:18.02.2003 ISI ACTIVITIES CHANDRESH PATEL KORDIA;MANIBHAI RAMJIBHAI CHAUDHARY

## Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the ISI has chalked out a strategy to speed up terrorist activities in the country and particularly in Kashmir and North-Eastern Region;
- (b) if so, the facts thereof;
- (c) the number of persons associated with ISI apprehended during the last three years and the action taken against them;
- (d) the number of terrorists including the foreign terrorists apprehended/killed in terrorist activities during each of the last three years, State-wise:
- (e) the number of civilian/security personnel killed/injured and the loss of property suffered during the said period, State-wise;
- (f) whether the Government are aware that militants and other related organisations are being funded and armed by the foreign countries:
- (g) if so, the details of the organisations and countries funding and arming militants/organisations; and
- (h) the strategy of the Government to fight and uproot terrorism from the country?

## **Answer**

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- (a) to (h): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.
- (a) & (b): Pak ISI has shown no let up in its anti-India activities in various forms such as cross-border terrorism, sabotage, subversion and espionage in different parts of the country.
- (c) & (d): As per information available, details of persons arrested/killed in various parts of the country on account of Pak espionage/terrorist activities are as under:-

Year Pak Espionage Modules Pak Backed Terrorist Modules

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No. of No. of No. of No. of Modules persons Modules persons persons killed detected. arrested busted arrested
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2000 19 43 25 141 5
2001 17 29 59 164 13
2002 35 85 26 66 2
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- (e): The Figures of civilians and security forces killed in terrorist violence in case of all States are not maintained by the Central Government. However, as informed by the State Government of J&K, 2851 civilians and 1386 security forces were killed in terrorist violence in the State during the calendar years 2000-2002. Terrorist violence also caused considerable loss to Government buildings, educational institutions, private houses, bridges, shops and hospitals in the State.
- (f) & (g): Available inputs indicate flow of funds and supply of arms from Pak ISI and other clandestine channels/organizations for terrorist activities in various parts of the country.

(h): In order to fight and uproot terrorism from the country, the Government has adopted a well coordinated and multi-pronged approach which includes strengthening the border management and coastal security, galvanizing the intelligence machinery, neutralizing plans of ISI by well coordinated intelligence based operations and modernization and up-gradation of State Police and Central Security Forces. 32 terrorist organizations have so far been notified under POTA, 2002. Besides, a number of Joint Working Groups have been set up with various countries including Nepal, Bangladesh and Myanmar for information sharing and combating trans-border crime and terrorism.