

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4820  
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INFILTRATION OF JEHADIS  
GADDE RAMAMOCHAN;M.V.V.S MURTHI

**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned 'ISI ready to unleash Jihadis on Kashmir' appearing in The Hindustan Times dated April 2, 2003;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is any intelligence report about the spurt increase in terrorist infiltrations from across the border would be taken place when the ice melt; and
- (d) the action taken by the Defence forces to stop such infiltrations?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR DEFENCE PRODUCTION & SUPPLIES (PROF. CHAMAN LAL GUPTA)

- (a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Terrorists of various groups are located in different launching pads in Pak Occupied Kashmir close to the Line of Control, ready to infiltrate into Jammu & Kashmir at short notice.
- (c) There is no credible evidence to suggest that Pakistan has made sincere efforts to stop cross border terrorism and infiltration into India. Despite Pakistan President's commitments to end cross border infiltration into India on a permanent basis, infiltration across border continues at a significant scale. There are indications to suggest that the level of infiltration may increase typically, like that in previous years, when the snow over the mountains in J&K recedes.
- (d) Adequate military measures have been taken to intercept and eliminate terrorist groups attempting to infiltrate into Jammu & Kashmir. In addition to appropriate security measures to curb cross border infiltration, appropriate and necessary diplomatic steps are taken continuously to apprise the international community about Pakistan's continued support to cross border infiltration into India.