GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:33 ANSWERED ON:22.07.2003 INFILTRATION MANIBHAI RAMJIBHAI CHAUDHARY

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have noted any perceptible change in the frequency and intensity of terrorist activities since the Prime Minister's visit to J&K.
- (b) if so, the details of the militant activities along LOC and the border areas during this period;
- (c) the comparative figures of militants' activities and infiltration during the corresponding period last year;
- (d) the number of civilians/security personnel killed/injured in such incidents during the said period; and
- (e) the steps; taken to curb such activities?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONULIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT AS REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 33 DUE ANSWER ON 22.7.2003.

- (a): No Sir. There has not been any significant change in terrorist activities in J&K since PM's visit to J&K. As reported by the Government of J&K, there was a slight decline in the number of terrorist incidents', while the number of security force personnel and terrorists killed, as well as infiltration attempts foiled by security forces on Line of Control/International border, was virtually the same during the period April 18 to July 15, 2003 as compared to the corresponding period last year.
- (b) to (d): Comparative figures of terrorist acts of violence in the State of J&K as reported by State Government are given below:

18.04.2003 to 15.07.2003 18.04.2002 to 15.07.2002

- 1. Terrorist incidents 838 963
- 2. Civilians Killed (this 244 285 Includes SPOs and Members of VDCs)
- 3. Security Forces Killed 109 111
- 4. Terrorist Killed 388 394

As per the assessments made by various agencies and security forces, there has been marginal decrease in the infiltration of terrorists from across the LoC/IB during the period from 18.4.2003 to 15.7.2003 when compared to corresponding period last year. The State Government has reported that the infiltration bids foiled by security forces on LoC/IB during this period have been 13 in which 50 terrorists got killed as compared to 12 and 23 for the same period of year 2002.