

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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INSTALLATION OF SURVEILLANCE EQUIPMENT

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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have decided to install Early Warning system and set up an upgraded surveillance system along the Line of Control with Pakistan in order to stop and detect infiltration of militants into Jammu and Kashmir;
- (b) whether the Government have conducted the trials of the said system;
- (c) if so, the details of the trial report and the source of its acquisition;
- (d) the time by which the work on installation of EWS devices is likely to be completed; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor and other measures proposed to be adopted to beef up security at LoC?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Considering the prevailing security scenario in Jammu and Kashmir, state of the art early warning systems and upgraded surveillance systems have been installed along the line of control with Pakistan in order to detect and stop infiltration of militants. These systems have been installed after successful trial evaluation by the Army. Further systems are in the process of acquisition and installation.

(c) & (d): It may be appreciated that divulging of details of equipment, of trials, sources and time frames by which these systems are planned to be installed may jeopardize national security.

(e) Does not arise.