

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOME AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1967  
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SMUGGLING OF AK-47 RIFLES  
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**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether AK-47 rifles are being smuggled into the country especially in Uttar Pradesh freely through Nepal border ;
- (b) if so, whether the Government have taken any stock of the situation ; and
- (c) the measures proposed to be taken to check the smuggling of arms and ammunitions and other items from Nepal ?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

( SHRI I.D.SWAMI )

(a) to (c): Interrogation of an ISI trained Mumbai underworld criminal, arrested in June, 1999, has revealed that Nepalese territory is being misused by anti-India elements for storing AK-47 rifles and other sophisticated weapons for smuggling into India. In order to prevent the misuse of the Indo-Nepal border by anti-India elements, the concerned agencies of His Majesty's Government of Nepal and the Government of India are also in regular touch, both directly and through bi-lateral institutional mechanisms, for preventing the misuse of the Indo-Nepal border. As a result of this cooperation, several terrorist conspiracies sponsored by Pakistan have been neutralised in recent years. Government of Uttar Pradesh have taken measures to strengthen policing of the U.P, Nepal Border.