GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1692 ANSWERED ON:07.03.2006 CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES ON THE BORDERS Ahir Shri Hansraj Gangaram;Sajjan Kumar Shri

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Pakistan has recently stepped up its work of constructing bunkers, watch towers and dams on Indian borders;
- (b) if so, the details in this regard;
- (c) whether the sector commanders of Indian side have made suggestions to their Pakistani counterparts for conducting joint survey under global positioning;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the reaction of the Government of Pakistan in this regard; and
- (f) the action taken by the Government to check such activities of Pakistan?

Answer

(MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS) (SHRI S. REGUPATHY)

- (a) & (b): It has been reported that Pakistan Rangers / Army troops are engaged in the construction of bunkers / pill boxes, new posts, observation towers, defence bundhs, etc. along / in close proximity of International Border.
- (c): No, Sir.
- (d) & (e): Does not arise.
- (f): Strong protest notes are lodged by Border Security Force with their counterparts in Pakistan. Pakistani activities are being closely monitored and suitable remedial measures are being adopted to deny advantage to them.