

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) The name of the agency entrusted the work of fencing on the border, sector-wise ;
- (b) Whether in many sectors the fencing has damaged due to use of poor quality/ substandard materials ;
- (c) If so, the details thereof, sector-wise ;
- (d) The agency department responsible for use of substandard material;
- (e) Whether the intrusion has increased due to it; and
- (f) If so, the details of arrangements made by the Government to curb the intrusion ?

Answer

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

(a) : The fencing work along Indo-Bangladesh Border has been entrusted to CPWD in West Bengal, Assam PWD and National Buildings Construction Corporation (NBCC) in Assam, Border Road Organisation (BRO) and NBCC in Meghalaya, BRO, NBCC, National Projects Construction Corporation (NPCC) and Engineers Projects India Limited (EPIL) in Mizoram, and BRO, CPWD, NBCC Tripura PWD, NPCC and EPIL in Tripura Sector. NBCC and CPWD have been entrusted with the task of fencing in the States of Punjab, Rajasthan, Gujarat and BSF in Jammu Sector on Indo-Pak Border.

(b) : No Sir.

(c) & (d): Does not arise.

(e) : No Sir.

(f) : Does not arise. However, to check intrusion, the Govt. of India has taken several steps which include the following:-

- i) Round the clock surveillance of the borders by carrying out patrolling;
- ii) Upgradation of intelligence network and co-ordination with other intelligence agencies;
- iii) Erection of border fencing;
- iv) Riverine patrolling;
- v) Introduction of modern surveillance equipments including night vision devices;
- vi) Close co-ordination with other agencies including State Governments.