GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3049 ANSWERED ON:20.03.2007 LATEST EQUIPMENTS TO POLICE FORCE Ahir Shri Hansraj Gangaram

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has issued any guidelines to the State Governments to equip their police forces with latest technical know-how;
- (b) if so, the names of the States where the exercise has been set in motion in this regard as on date;
- (c) whether the Government is providing subsidy to the States for the purpose; and
- (d) if so, the details of the subsidy provided to the States for the purpose, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a)to(d): To supplement the efforts of the State Governments in modernizing their police forces, the Government is extending assistance through a non-plan Scheme for Modernization of State Police Forces. All major items of police infrastructure have been included under the scheme i.e. construction of secure police stations, outposts, police lines, transport, modern weaponry, security and surveillance equipment, communication systems, modern equipment for forensic laboratories, upgradation of training infrastructure, police housing, computerization etc. Annual Action Plans are formulated by the States on the basis of their assessment / requirements and submitted to the Central Government. Central assistance is released to the States based on the Action Plans approved by the Central Government. During the last three years, i.e. 2003-04, 2004-05 and 2005-06, an amount or Rs. 705.27 crore, Rs. 960 crore and Rs. 1025 crore, respectively, was released to various States under the Scheme. The state-wise details are annexed.