

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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MILITANT BASE IN DELHI
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of LeT militants base in the country, especially in Delhi;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the intelligence agencies like Delhi Police have since made any efforts to find out such bases in Delhi;
- (d) if so, the details in this regard; and
- (e) the other steps taken by the Government to defuse the evil designs of LeT militants in Delhi and in other parts of the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI V. RADHIKA SELVI)

(a) to (e): The intelligence inputs do not indicate that LeT militants have set up base in Delhi. The Government remains firmly committed to counter the challenge posed by terrorism. Towards this end, a multi-pronged strategy is being pursued in close conjunction with the State Governments, which involves measures to check infiltration from across the borders, deployment of central security forces in areas prone to terrorist's violence, continuous vigilance and strengthening of security arrangements in vulnerable areas and around vital installations, sharing of intelligence, strengthening of State Police force and upgradation of their capabilities to deal with terrorist activities through the schemes of Police Modernisation, raising of India Reserve Battalions, etc. Efforts are also being made to strengthen bi-lateral and multi-lateral cooperation at the international level with the aim of combating terrorism through arrangements for Mutual Legal Assistance and Extradition Treaties, exchange of information and intelligence, etc.

Delhi Police has also taken various steps to contain the terrorists activities and to defuse their evil designs, which include sharing of intelligence information with central agencies; checking on regular basis of hotels/guest houses/taxi stands/cinema halls, new tenants in various areas, trucks in various locations of Delhi, hideouts and sympathizers of terrorists etc.