GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1960 ANSWERED ON:09.03.2010 CPF DEPLOYED IN THE NE Patil Shri A.T. Nana

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has deployed personnel of various Central Para-military Forces (CPF) in the North-Eastern States;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether casualty rate in such areas among the CPF personnel is high due to linguistic barriers and lack of knowledge of the geographical terrain;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government in this regard;
- (e) the details of the casualties suffered by the CPF personnel deployed in the NE States during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (f) whether the Government has any plan to strengthen the local police and intelligence agency and operational capabilities of CPF personnel deployed in the North-Eastern States; and
- (g) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

- (a): CPMFs have been made available to assist the State Governments in North Eastern States to maintain public order on their request, depending upon the prevailing security situation in the area and overall availability of CPMFs. CPMFs are also deployed on borders and to guard vital installations.
- (b): The details of deployment are not disclosed in public interest.
- (c): No Madam.
- (d): Does not arise.
- (e): A Statement showing details of casualties suffered by CPF personnel deployed in NE States is Annexed.
- (f) & (g): The Central Government have taken several steps to strengthen the State Police Forces, including in the North Eastern States. This includes Modernization of the State Police Forces, Reimbursement of Security Related Expenditure (SRE) Schemes, assistance in training and sanction of India Reserve (IR) battalions, sanction of commando coys etc. Similarly steps have also been taken to strengthen the intelligence apparatus in the country. These measures include strengthening and re-organizing of Multi-Agency Centers in the Intelligence Bureau, setting up of Regional/Subsidiary Multi-Agency Centers, Creation of intelligence wing in CPFs etc. Schemes for strengthening of State Special Branches (SSBs) by way of support for monitoring, security, surveillance and other related equipments have also been approved.

The measures to strengthen operational capabilities of CPFs include augmenting the strength of CPFs, delegation of powers under various Central Acts, regular rotational/specialized training according to the operational needs of the Force, fine tuning of intelligence apparatus in the CPFs and procurement of modern equipments etc.