

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1970
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MODERNISATION OF CPF
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the schemes/plans under implementation for the modernisation of various Central Para-military Forces (CPF) in the country including the Border Security Force (BSF);
- (b) the allocation/utilisation of funds for the purpose during each of the last three years and the current year, force-wise;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to raise additional battalions/reserve battalions for the various CPFs including the BSF; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the locations identified for setting up of such battalions/reserve battalions, forcewise and State-wise including Kerala?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN)

(a): Yes, Madam. The Government {Cabinet Committee on Security (CCS)} has approved a 5 year plan (2002-07) for modernization of 6 Central Para Military Forces [Assam Rifles (AR), Central Reserve Police Force(CRPF), Central Industrial Security Force(CISF), Border Security Force (BSF), Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP) and National Security Guard (NSG)] at an estimated cost of Rs.3740.71 crores in February 02. Separately, the Government also approved a three year plan (2005-08) for modernization of Shastra Seema Bal (SSB) at an estimated cost of Rs.444.43 crores in April, 2005. The Government also approved the extension of both the above plans up to 31.03.2011.

b) The funds utilised during each of the last three years and the current year force-wise is given below:-
(All figures in crores of rupees)

Name of the Force 2006-07 2007-08 2008-09 2009-10
(upto 31-01-2010)

Assam Rifles	79.86	10.65	34.15	14.13
BSF	183.27	176.50	53.84	77.07
CISF	15.66	2.83	0.90	0.0
CRPF	47.46	5.08	0.00	17.51
ITBP	9.76	0.28	5.64	9.97
NSG	2.01	14.72	3.33	5.59
SSB	82.29	55.60	21.94	18.21
Total	420.31	265.66	119.80	142.5

In August 2008, the Govt. has approved setting up of 10 Commando Battalions for Resolute Action (CoBRA) and one Sector HQr in CRPF to be raised over a period of 3 years. The Govt. has also approved creation of 38 Bns for CRPF including 2 Mahila Battalions in September 2009.

In January 2009, the Govt. has sanctioned 29 BSF Battalions (13 Reserve Bns) to be raised over a period of 5 years starting 2009-10.

4 Regional Hubs of NSG have also been set up in May 2009 at Hyderabad, Mumbai, Chennai and Kolkata. Subsequently the Govt. has also sanctioned setting up of Regional Centers of NSG at Kolkata and Hyderabad and to subsume the Regional Hubs at Kolkata and Hyderabad in these Regional Centers. The details are given in the Statement annexed.