

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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SMUGGLING OF MILCH CATTLE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the cases of smuggling of mulching cattle have been reported in various parts of the country including Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) The steps taken by the Government to check such activities?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

(a) & (b) Yes, Madam. There have been reports of clandestine smuggling of cattle through porous and riverine international borders of India.

(c) The Government has taken many preventive measures to step smuggling by round the clock surveillance and patrolling on the borders and establishment of observation post, construction of border fencing, flood lighting, introduction of modern and hi-tech surveillance equipments and up-gradation of intelligence set up. There are institutional mechanisms to take cognizance and legal action against criminals and anti-social elements on inter-state borders who are found involved in such activities.