GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

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SHORTAGE OF POLICE PERSONNEL
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether in view of the increased threat perception to internal security, the Government has reviewed the shortage of personnel in various States and Central forces;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has drawn up any action plan to assist the State Governments and the Central Para-military Forces to recruit required number of personnel to tackle impending security threat; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and allocation made in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): Yes, Madam. Even though 'Police' is a State subject as per Schedule VII to the Constitution of India, the Ministry of Home Affairs has raised its concern over the large number of vacancies in State Police Forces in the Conference of Chief Ministers held on 6.1.2009, 17.8.2009 and 7.2.2010. In the Conference held on 7.2.2010 at New Delhi, the States were requested to fill up the vacancies expeditiously by adopting the Transparent Recruitment Procedure (TRP) and it was noted that initiatives have been taken by States to fill up vacancies and the level of vacancies is going down.

The Ministry has reviewed the strength and composition of IPS Cadre which provides leadership to the Police Forces in the State and Centre. The Central Government has decided to increase the number of vacancies from 130 to 150 from Civil Service Examination - 2009 in order to recruit more officers into the IPS. The Government of India reviews from time to time the requirement of Central Para-Military Forces, based on threat perception to Internal Security and is raising additional Battalions of CPMFs. Recruitment in CPMFs is made through Direct Recruitment, promotion, deputation, and on contractual basis, as per availability of vacancies.