

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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CYBER MONITORING
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there are reports indicating the usage of internet/e-mails by terrorists;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the total number of such incidents detected in the current year;
- (c) whether the Union Government, in coordination with the States has taken any steps to enhance the technical infrastructure for skill upgradation as well as for cyber monitoring; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the measures taken in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): Available inputs indicate that terrorists are using several means for communication inter-alia, including use of internet and e-mail. The Department of Information Technology (DIT) has initiated a major programme on cyber forensics specifically focused towards development of cyber forensic tools, setting up of infrastructure for investigation and training of law enforcement and judicial offices in use of cyber forensic tools, to collect and analyse the digital evidence. Further, DIT has set up cyber forensic training labs at CBI and Kerala Police for skill upgradation in the area of cyber crime investigations and have also sponsored projects in the North Eastern States to establish cyber forensic training facilities at the state police organizations. Besides, Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT -In) under DIT has been set up for creating awareness about cyber security. It performs both pro-active and reactive roles.