GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:136
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THREAT TO SPORTING EVENTS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there are reports of terrorist threats to various international sporting events proposed to be organised in the country including the Commonwealth Games and cricketing events;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any inputs in this regard have been received from foreign security agencies;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the level of preparedness to ensure foolproof security in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.136 FOR 3.08.2010

(a) & (b): There is no specific threat input for various international sporting events including Commonwealth Games, 2010. However, there is general threat from militant groups who want to strike at high profile events. Threat inputs received from the various security agencies are shared with State Governments/UT Administrations concerned for necessary action. Regarding Commonwealth Games-2010, Delhi Police in consultation with the Union Home Ministry and other security agencies has formulated elaborate security measures for the safe and secure conduct of the Games. As regards security arrangements in the NCR region, security plans have already been made by the police departments of the States concerned.

As and when any national/international level sports event is organized in the country the State/UT police concerned provide security to the event keeping in view the inputs received from Central/State security agencies.

Further, based on specific request made in this regard by State Government/UT Administration concerned, additional forces from CPMFs is provided to further strengthen the security arrangements.

- (c) & (d): An International Security Liaison Group has been constituted by the Ministry of Home Affairs with representatives from various security agencies for effective liaison with the security representative of all participating countries before and during the Commonwealth Games and to address their security concerns.
- (e): For Commonwealth Games, 2010, a comprehensive security plan for all the participants/team officials/ technical staff/Media persons/spectators etc. has been formulated by Delhi Police and Central Security Agencies.

For other national/international events similar action is taken in consultation with Central/State security agencies as and when events are organized.