

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOME AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2640  
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LIVE CARTRIDGES WEAPONS  
Choudhary Shri Bhudeo

**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether a large number of live cartridges/weapons have been seized from the foreign nationals in various airports in the country including Mumbai and Pune during the current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the number of accused arrested, nationalitywise;
- (c) whether dereliction of security measures by the personnel deployed at the airport has been reported in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (d): No, Madam. However, some empty cartridges were detected from foreign nationals at the airports. In all such cases, passengers were allowed to go as per norms and the recovered empty cartridges were handed over to airport police station concerned. Necessary guidelines / instructions to be followed by security personnel at airports have already been issued in this regard.