

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOME AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4306  
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NEXUS BETWEEN ULFA AND EXTERNAL FORCES  
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**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government is aware that the United Liberation Front of Assam (ULFA) insurgents are getting arms from China and using the same in the North Eastern States;and

(b) if so, the strategies the Government proposes to adopt to crush the evil designs of ULFA insurgents?

**Answer**

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

(a): United Liberation Front of Assam (ULFA) possesses a large number of sophisticated weapons including AK series Rifles. These arms and explosives are mostly obtained by the outfit from foreign countries and brought into India through Bangladesh.

(b): The Government has taken various steps to check the activities of ULFA, which include intensified Counter Insurgency operations, deployment of Para-military Forces and Army in the State, coordinated action by Army, Para Military Forces and State Police for counter insurgency operations, declaration of ULFA as unlawful association under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act 1967, declaration of Assam as "disturbed area" under the Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act,1958, reimbursement of security related expenditure to the state Government and modernization/up-gradation of State Police Force. Steps have also been taken to strengthen the guarding at Indo-Bangladesh border. Besides, the Government has also taken up security related matters with the Government of Bangladesh at various levels.