

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOME AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4570  
ANSWERED ON:07.12.2010  
SMUGGLING OF EXPLOSIVES  
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**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether there are reports of transborder smuggling of explosives by hostile foreign intelligence agencies/terrorist organisations in various States including Rajasthan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of persons arrested/ convicted in this regard; and
- (d) the action being taken by the Government to check such incidents in future?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (d): A Statement is enclosed.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4570 FOR 7.12.2010.

(a) to (c): As per available information, incidents of trans-border criminal activities including smuggling of explosives by the hostile elements inimical to the country have been reported on international borders including Rajasthan. Seizures of explosives have been made by border guarding forces.

(d): The Government has adopted a multi pronged approach to check/ prevent cross border violations including smuggling of explosives across the international borders which implies to the border in Rajasthan. These measures include;

(i): Effective domination of the borders by carrying out round-the-clock surveillance of the borders, viz., patrolling, laying of nakas, establishing of Observation Posts all along the international border and strengthening of existing defences of the Border Out Posts.

(ii): Erection of fencing and Flood-Lighting along the International border.

(iii): Introduction of Force Multipliers like Hi-Tech surveillance equipments such as LORROS (Long Range Reconnaissance & Observation System), BFSR (Battle Field Surveillance Radar), HHTI (Hand Held Thermal Imager), Night Vision Devices/ Goggles (NVDs / NVGs) etc. Constant efforts are being made to procure latest surveillance equipment for further enhancing the border domination.

(iv): Frequent visits to border by Unit Commandant and other Senior officers to supervise effective domination of the border.

(v): Upgradation of Intelligence network and coordination with sister agencies and Conduct of Special Operations, along the borders and in depth areas.