GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:177 ANSWERED ON:22.02.2011 COASTAL POLICE STATIONS Abdulrahman Shri

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Coastal Police Stations set up in the country alongwith the number of such police stations likely to be set up;

(b) whether such police stations have been provided the necessary infrastructure to enable them to operate effectively to secure our coasts;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

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

STATEMENT REFERRED IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 177 FOR 22.02.2011

(a) to (c): The ongoing Coastal Security Scheme, approved in January 2005 for implementation, is a supplemental scheme, aimed at enhancing coastal vigilance by strengthening infrastructure for patrolling and surveillance of the coastal areas and is being implemented in the 9 coastal States of Gujarat, Maharashtra, Goa, Karnataka, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Orissa and West Bengal and four Union Territories of Daman & Diu, Lakshadweep, Puducherry and Andaman & Nicobar Islands. The Scheme has been extended till March 2011, with an additional non-recurring outlay of Rs. 95 crore (approx), by the Government in June, 2010. Under the Coastal Security Scheme, total 73 coastal Police Stations are to be set up, equipped with 204 boats, 153 jeeps and 312 motorcycles for mobility on the coast and in close coastal waters. A lump sum assistance of Rs. 10 lakh per coastal police Station is also provided for equipment, computers and furniture etc. Out of these 73 Coastal Police Stations, 71 Coastal Police Stations have been made operational.

Coastal Security Scheme (Phase-II) formulated to strengthen the coastal security of the country in consultation with Coast Guard and concerned coastal States and Union Territories, has been approved by the Government for implementation in all the nine coastal States and four Union Territories for a period of 5 years from 1st April, 2011. Total 131 Coastal Police Stations have been approved in the Coastal Security Scheme (Phase-II), to be equipped with 180 boats, 131 four-wheelers and 242 motor cycles. A Lump Sum assistance of Rs. 15 lakh per Coastal Police Stations (CPS) will be provided for equipments, Computer and furniture etc.

(d): Does not arise.