

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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SHARING OF TERROR DATABASE WITH USA
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any talks was held recently between India and USA to share terror database; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the outcome thereon?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): The preliminary talks related to Homeland Security Dialogue between India and United States of America (USA) on bilateral security cooperation were held on 12th January, 2011 at New Delhi. the Indian delegation was led by7 Union Home Secretary. The USA delegation was led by Deputy Secretary, Department of Homeland Security.

Indo-US Joint Working Group Meeting on counter-terrorism was held in New Delhi on 25th March, 2011 wherein various bilateral security issues were discussed at length.

First meeting in the context of indo-US Homeland Security Dialogue was held in New Delhi on 27th May, 2011. The Government of India delegation was led by Union Home Minister and the USA Government delegation was led by Secretary, Department of Homeland Security. In the meeting various bilateral security issues of mutual interest were discussed.

Recently in the context of Indo-US Strategic Dialogue held in New Delhi on 19th July, 2011 talks were held between Indian delegation led by Union Home Secretary and the USA delegation led by Deputy Secretary, Homeland Security Department. During this meeting also bilateral issues pertaining to security matters between the two countries were discussed.

These periodic talks/interactions are expected to facilitate bilateral security cooperation on various issues including combating terrorism.