

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOME AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

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FENCING AND FLOODLIGHTING OF INTERNATIONAL BORDER

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

- (a) the details of borders of the country shared with different countries;
- (b) whether the Government has undertaken the work of fencing and floodlighting along the international borders of Pakistan, Bangladesh and Myanmar;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the details of the expenditure incurred and progress made in this regard during the last three years and the current year, border-wise;
- (e) whether the said work on the border areas of Assam and Tripura State and fencing along the zero line (International Border) is still incomplete;
- (f) if so, the reasons therefor alongwith the time frame for its completion;
- (g) whether the Government has received proposal from political parties for complete sealing of Indo-Bangladesh Border instead of fencing which has proved to be ineffective; and
- (h) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

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

(a): India has 15,106.7 km of land border and a coastline of 7,516.6 km including island territory. The length of our land borders with our neighboring countries is as follows:

# Bangladesh (4,096.7 km)

# China (3,488.0 km)

# Pakistan (3,323.0 km)

# Nepal (1,751.0 km)

# Myanmar (1,643.0 km)

# Bhutan (699.0 km) and

# Afghanistan (106.0 km).

(b) to (c) Government has undertaken 2043.63 km of fencing and 2009.52 km of floodlighting along Pakistan border, 3436.59 km of fencing and 3117 km of floodlighting along Bangladesh border and 10 km of fencing (on the north of Moreh, Manipur) on the Myanmar border.

(d) Information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.

(e) to (f) Government has sanctioned fencing works to the extent of 418.03 km in the State of Assam, out of which 341.53 km work has been completed. Fencing work has also been sanctioned in Tripura State to the extent of 856 km, against which 740 km work has been completed. The balance fencing works in both these areas are scheduled to be completed by 31st March, 2012.

(g) As per available records, no such Proposal has been received from political parties to seal the Indo-Bangladesh Border.

(h) Does not arise.

