

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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SMUGGLING ON BORDERS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether some intelligence posts at Indo-Pak border have been closed recently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons;
- (c) whether there are reports of increasing smuggling activities at Indo-Pak border along Rajasthan;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to check the ongoing smuggling there?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): As per available reports, no intelligence post of Central Agencies at Indo-Pakistan border has been closed recently.
- (c) & (d): The details of seizure by Border Security Force along Rajasthan during the last 3 years and current year is as follows:-

Year FICN Narcotics Arms Ammunition

2008	2495000	22	1	8
2009	30500	0	6	4
2010	0	39	7	163
2011	273000	2	4	18

- (e): The following steps have been taken by the Border Guarding Force deployed on the border to check smuggling.

(i) Effective domination of the Border by carrying out round the clock surveillance of the Borders, viz. patrolling, laying nakas establishing of observation posts all along the IB and strengthening of existing defences of the BOPs.

(ii) Erection of Border Fencing on the International Border.

(iii) Flood lighting of the border to enhance the observation during night hours.

(iv) Introduction of Force multipliers and Hi Tech surveillance equipment such as long Range Reconnaissance & Observation System (LORROS), Battle Field Surveillance Radars (BFSSR), Hand Held Thermal Imagers (HHTI), Night Vision Devices/Goggles (NVDs/NVGs) etc.

(v) Up-gradation of intelligence (int) network and coordination with sister agencies.

(vi) Conduct of special operations along the Border and in depth areas.

(vii) Frequent visit to Border by unit Commandant and other senior officers to supervise effective domination of the Border.

