GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

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INTERNAL SECURITY
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to review the state of internal security in view of the increasing internal security challenges in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has constituted any team of security specialists in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the other measures taken by the Government for reforms in police and intelligence gathering mechanism?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI JITENDRA SINGH)

- (a) & (b): Yes, Madam. Internal security situation is regularly reviewed by the Ministry of Home Affairs to ensure that internal security apparatus, technical facilities, responses and counter measures are continually updated to meet the changing threat levels & perceptions.
- (c) & (d): Depending upon the specific requirement, Govt. from time to time uses the services of specialists for various purpose such as Technical advice & assessments, review of process, procedure & practices, legal regime upgradation etc.
- (e): As part of ongoing exercise major steps taken by the Government include, strengthening and re-organization of the Multi-Agency Centre (MAC) in the Intelligence Bureau to enable in to function on 24x7 basis, for real time collation and sharing of intelligence with all other intelligence and security agencies of the Central and State Governments/Union Territories; setting up of 24x7 Control Rooms in all the States for quick sharing of data/information pertaining to terrorism; setting up of a network connecting all the State Special Branches (SSBs) to MAC and its State level nodes (Subsidiary Multi- agency Centre): steps taken for strengthening SSBs, etc. The manpower strength of agencies are also reviewed and augmented.