GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1363 ANSWERED ON:29.11.2011 SECURITY ALONG BORDERS Singh Shri Jagada Nand

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of security arrangements made on Indo-Nepal and Indo- Bangladesh border areas;

(b) whether large quantity of fertilisers, cereals, petroleum products, weapons etc. have been seized on the said borders recently;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the efforts being made for security arrangements to check smuggling on border areas along Nepal?

Answer

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

(a): Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB) is the Border Guarding Force on the Indo-Nepal Border. SSB has so far established 450 Border Out Posts (BOPs) on the Indo¬ Nepal Border. Each BOP has a sanctioned strength of one platoon.

Border Security Force (BSF) is the Border Guarding Force on the Indo-Bangladesh Border, having 75 BSF battalions with 1185 sanctioned Border Out Posts along this Border. Besides, 3 Nos. of Floating BOPs are also deployed to dominate riverine stretches of this border.

(b) & (c): Reply is given at Annexure-A.

(d): SSB regularly carries out various activities such as patrolling and Nakabandi along the Indo-Nepal border. Checking of persons crossing the border is also being carried out, both randomly as well as on the basis of inputs received from various sources. Continuous monitoring is being done, in this regard.