GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3064 ANSWERED ON:13.12.2011 TERRORIST THREATS

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have recently reviewed the threat perception from across the border on our nuclear projects, dams, pilgrim places, railway stations, public and private industrial establishment etc. on the eve of 3rd Anniversary of Mumbai terrorist attack;
- (b) if so, the outcome thereof;
- (c) whether several terror modules in the country are also actively collaborating with these elements;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the radical steps taken/propose to be taken by the Government to prevent the repeat of Mumbai attack on the soil of the country?

Answer

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

(a)to(e): Assessment of threat based on inputs received, is a continuous process. Specific inputs of threats, as and when received, are promptly shared with the State Governments/Union Territory (UT) Administrations / Departments and other agencies concerned so that security measures are appropriately strengthened. Security agencies conduct periodic security audits of vital installations, religious places etc. and recommendations made in the reports of such security audits are sent to the State Governments / UT Administrations/ Departments and agencies concerned for appropriate action in order to plug loopholes and strengthen security.

Government has taken several steps to strengthen coastal security to thwart repetition of Mumbai attack of 26/11. Such steps include installation of chain of coastal radars, issuance of biometric cards to fishermen, fitting of boats with transponders and formalizing of uniform pattern of registration of boats. Indian Coast Guard is organizing 'Sagar Kavach' exercise for every coastal State and 'Sagar Suraksha Dals' has been formed in Maharashtra and a few other places.