

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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DEFENCE STRUCTURE ON BORDER
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to construct any permanent defence structure on the Indo-Pakistan border to control terrorism in Kashmir;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the expenditure likely to be incurred in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): To control cross border illegal activities including terrorism, the Government has sanctioned 2043.63 km of border fencing and 2009.52 km of floodlighting along the Indo-Pakistan border; out of which 1940.72 km of border fencing and 1878.92 km of floodlighting has been completed. In close proximity of Line of Control, the Army has constructed an Anti Infiltration Obstacle System (AIOS) in Kashmir Valley and Jammu Region.

Border Security Force (BSF) has 609 existing Border Out Posts (BOPs) along Indo-Pakistan Border. Government has sanctioned, 126 additional BOPs (including reconstruction of 38 existing BOPs in Jammu) along this border at an estimated cost of Rs.350.60 crore.

In addition, Government has also sanctioned construction of earthen Bund, Metalled Road and Naka-cum-Fighting Bunkers along the home side of existing security fence over 179 km length of border at an estimated cost of Rs. 341.00 crore in Jammu Sector along Indo-Pakistan border.