

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOME AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

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SECURITY TO FOREIGN DIPLOMATS  
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**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Diplomatic Security Force has been confined to the drawing board for the last fifteen years;
- (b) if so, the details and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether such force that was created in 1973 for security of foreign diplomats continued to be run on temporary basis lacking specialised personnel;
- (d) if so, the steps taken to deploy a DSP and the timeframe within which this force would be operational;
- (e) whether it is being considered to provide the foreign diplomats with personal security cover;
- (f) whether this personal security cover would extend to their families as well;
- (g) if so, the relevant international laws allow diplomats to deploy private/security personnel from their respective country with weapons as private security; and
- (h) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (f): No, Madam. Government has constituted Diplomatic Security Force(DSF). 1 Deputy Commissioner of Police, 1 Assistant Commissioner of Police and 1 Inspector have been deployed to supervise the DSF Unit.

Besides, a sizable number of Police personnel/Central Armed Police Forces personnel have been deployed under the operational control of DSF on static guard duties at various embassies and diplomatic premises.

Security arrangements for diplomatic missions and diplomats of foreign countries, as also for international organizations, located in the country are reviewed periodically on the basis of inputs given by the central security agencies and appropriate advisories issued to Delhi Police/State Police. The actual arrangements, based on these inputs and advisories, as well as local threat assessments, are made by the Delhi Police/State Police concerned. Based on the inputs given by the central security agencies, Delhi Police/State Police take suitable measures to strengthen security.

(g) to (h): Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.