

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7395
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FACILITIES TO BSF PERSONNEL
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government provides additional facilities like special allowances, good quality protective clothes and communication apparatus to the Border Security Forces (BSFs) personnel deployed in places of extreme climatic conditions;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, whether the Government proposes to provide the said facilities to the BSF personnel; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): Government has already sanctioned, Risk Allowance and Hardship Allowance to BSF personnel serving in difficult areas, vide Ministry of Home Affairs order dated 16.04.2009. Keeping in view the climatic conditions, BSF personnel have been provided with quality protective clothing and facilities. In extreme climatic conditions extra blankets/ clothing are provided. Regarding communication apparatus, BSF has been provided with High Frequency (HF), Very High Frequency (VHF), and Ultra High Frequency (UHF) Radio sets, International Maritime Satellites (INMARSATs), Digital Satellite Phone Terminal (DSPT), Police network (Polnet) connectivity, Mobile and Land line phones.