

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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REVIVAL OF BABBAR KHALSA
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received any input that ISI is trying to revive the Babbar Khalsa;
- (b) if so the details thereof; and
- (c) the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Available inputs indicate the Patronage and assistance provided by Pak ISI to the leaders of various Sikh terrorist group including Babbar Khalsa International based in Pakistan. Interrogation of arrested Sikh militants revealed that short term modules are being run in Pakistan for training gullible Sikh youth from India and abroad.

(c): The Govt. has adopted an integrated approach to counter such attempts which, inter-alia include sustained vigilance along the borders, strengthening of mechanisms for intelligence gathering and sharing; modernization and up-gradation of police and security force with advanced/sophisticated weapons and neutralizing plans of ISI by well-coordinated intelligence based operations. In addition Babbar Khalsa International continues to be banned under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Amendment Act, 2004.