GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3893 ANSWERED ON:04.09.2012 TERROR THREATS TO PUNE Naik Dr. Sanjeev Ganesh;Patil Shri Sanjay Dina

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Pune city is receiving frequent terror alerts from various security/intelligence agencies; and

(b) if so, the action the Government has taken in this regard including installation of CCTV cameras in the city?

Answer

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

(a): Pune has figured as a target for terrorist actions in recent past as per the available intelligence inputs from the Central Intelligence Agency.

(b): The monitoring of security arrangements in the country is an ongoing process and there exists a very close and effective coordination amongst intelligence agencies at the centre and State level. Intelligence inputs about possible designs of the terrorist groups and threats are shared with the State Governments concerned on a regular basis. Although as Law & Order and Police is a State subject, the primary responsibility remains with the State Governments, combating terrorism is a shared responsibility considering its internal security implications. The Government of India has been assisting the State Governments to modernize their Police forces through the Modernization of State Police Force Scheme. The Government of Maharashtra have instructed all unit Commanders to sensitize officers and men working under them and take steps to ensure safety and security of susceptible targets like iconic buildings, Religious places, Places of Heavy Footfalls, Places frequented by foreigners etc. Nakabandis, Checking of hotels, lodges are being conducted. Unit Commanders have been instructed to sensitize security staff and Management of Vital Installations, Hotels, Shopping Malls, Cinemas, Bus Stands and Railway Stations.