

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:724
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INVOLVEMENT OF YOUTH IN TERRORISM
Azad Shri Kirti (Jha)

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a large number of Kashmiri youth are joining terrorist groups in Jammu & Kashmir after a hiatus;
- (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 R.P.N. SINGH)

(a) & (b): Reports received from Central Agencies indicate that some Kashmiri youth have joined militancy. During the year 2012 only 14 youths (upto 31.8.2012) of the Valley have reportedly joined militant groups.

(c): The Government has adopted various counter terrorist methods to neutralise the efforts and capabilities of militants and to watch the activities of those supporting such groups. The Government has also encouraged policies to mainstream the youth and discourage them from joining militancy.