

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOME AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1823

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DEPLOYMENT OF CISF PERSONNEL

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**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to deploy Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) personnel aboard Indian merchant ships;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, along with modalities being worked out in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to charge any fee on this account from the shipping companies;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government would extend this facility to foreign merchant ships on request; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the CISF personnel are likely to be deployed aboard merchant ships?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(SHRI R.P.N. SINGH)

(a) to (d): In view of the reported piracy/hijacking/abduction cases off the coast of Somalia, Government has a proposal to deploy CISF on a cost reimbursement basis, on requests of the Indian Merchant Ships. The proposal is at preliminary stage and no details/modalities have been finalized till date.

(e) & (f): At present there is no proposal to extend such facilities to the foreign merchant ships.