

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2766
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SECURITY AT KUMBH MELA
Karwariya Shri Kapil Muni

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to deploy Central Armed Police Forces in order to beef up the security at Mahakumbh Mela being held at Allahabad Prayag in 2013 to counter any threat of terror attack; and

(b) if so, the time by which it is likely to be deployed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) & (b): The State Government of Uttar Pradesh is making security arrangements at Mahakumbh Mela being held at Allahabad Prayag in 2013 which would be augmented by the Union Government as per requirement intimated by the State Government. On the request of Government of Uttar Pradesh, Central Armed Police Forces have been ordered to be deployed for security arrangements during Kumbh Mela at Allahabad. These forces shall be deployed in two phases i.e. some with effect from January 2013 and some in February 2013.