

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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CONSTRUCTION IN BORDER AREAS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken cognizance of growing construction activities on the side of Pakistan in border areas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether any study has been conducted to adopt strategy/measures to check such activities; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MULLAPPALLAY RAMACHANDRAN) (a) & (b) There is no growing construction activity on Pakistan side of the border. However, occasional structures are constructed by Pakistan for enhancing their defence potential. All such activities are closely monitored by BSF to ensure that there is no violation of mutually acceptable terms and conditions on these issues. The details of such constructions/repair in last 3 years is as follows :

Particulars	2009	2010	2011	2012 (Till Sept.)	Total
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Bunkers	133	159	149	96	537
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Morcha	67	14	35	Not Observed	116
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Towers	48	41	20	15	124
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Posts/BOPs	16	07	02	5	30
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Helipad	Nil	Nil	06	Not Observed	06
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The issues of construction activities by Pakistan close to international Border are raised at various level i.e. Company, Commandant, Sector Commander and IG level Meetings as well as Annual DG level talks.

(c) & (d) No study was carried out to adopt strategy/measures to check these activities. However, the deployment plan, construction of defence structure, siting of BOP and weapons are periodically reviewed and appropriate action taken in the field.