

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2333
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SMUGGLING INCIDENTS
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether foreigners have been nabbed from the Indira Gandhi International Airport for smuggling activities in the recent past;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to curb smuggling incidents in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S.PALANIMANICKAM)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): The details thereof for last three years upto Nov, 2012 are as below:

Year	No.of foreigners nabbed for smuggling at IGI Airport	cases of goods Seized	Value of Fine/ Penalty imposed (Rs.crore)	No.of Foreigners Arrested.
2009-10	14	1.40	0.099	3
2010-11	6	1.33	0.307	3
2011-12	7	0.43	0.025	3
2012-13	9	1.27	0.015	2

(upto Nov, 12)

(c) Increased surveillance, maintaining constant vigil, high alert and profiling are being undertaken to curb the smuggling at International Airports by the Customs Department.