

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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SMUGGLING OF CONTRABAND GOODS

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether smuggling of contraband goods including drugs and cattle is going on unabated along the border areas of the country;
- (b) if so, the details of such cases reported and persons arrested along with the items seized along the various international borders during each of the last three years and the current year, borderwise;
- (c) whether connivance of security personnel in such incidents has also been reported;
- (d) if so, the details of such cases reported during the said period and the action taken against them; and
- (e) the measures undertaken to strengthen security along the border areas to check smuggling?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): The details of cases of smuggling of contraband goods including drugs and cattle along the international borders of the country during the last three years and the current year and the persons arrested, border-wise are as under:-

Indo-Bangladesh Border

Year	Arms (In Nos.)	Fake Indian Currency Notes (In Rs.)	Indian S (In Nos.)	Narcotics (In Kg)	Cattle Seized	Persons Arrested & item description
2009	65	2843390	9549	114790	14 (Arms), 45 (FICN),	52 (Narcotics), 439 (Cattle)
2010	70	3226900	9292	101381	40 (Arms), 55 (FICN),	111 (Narcotics), 360 (Cattle)
2011	45	4486300	8598	135291	29 (Arms), 55 (FICN),	56 (Narcotics), 676 (Cattle)
2012 (Till date)	34	5599800	2863	100857	26 (Arms), 78 (FICN),	64 (Narcotics), 494 (Cattle)

Indo-Pakistan Border

Year	Arms (In Nos.)	Fake Indian Currency Notes (In Rs.)	Indian Currency (In Nos.)	Narcotics (In Kg)	Cattle Seize	Persons Arrested & item description
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2009	41	642350	0	148	Nil	6 (Arms) s1 (FICN), 6 (Narcotics)
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2010	17	137835	00	146	Nil	3 (Arms), 1 (FICN), 1 (Narcotics)
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2011	15	444550	0	75	Nil	3 (Arms), 3 (FICN), 7 (Narcotics)
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2012	23	462100		273	Nil	1 (Arms), 2 (FICN), 13 (Narcotic (Till date)
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Indo-Nepal Border

Year	Arms (In Nos.)	Fake Indian Currency Notes (In Rs.)	Indian Currency (In Nos.)	Narcotic Seized (In Kg)	Cattle Seized	Persons Arrested & item description
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2009	Nil	Nil	25294	597	849	
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2010	Nil	Nil	30715	829	1942	
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2011	Nil	Nil	12405	2903	1104	
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2012	Nil	Nil	8548	2125	410	(Till date)
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Indo-Bhutan Border

Year	Arms (In Nos.)	Fake Indian Currency (In Rs.)	Narcotics (In Kg)	Cattle Seized	Persons Arrested & item description (In Nos.)
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2009	Nil	Nil	1126	13	75
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2010	Nil	Nil	397	21	32
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2011	Nil	Nil	710	14	32
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2012	Nil	Nil	51	24	10
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(Till
date)

Indo-Myanmar Border

Year	Arms (In Nos.)	Fake Indian Currency (In Rs.)	Narcotics (In Kg)	Cattle Seized	Persons Arrested & item description (In Nos.)
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2009	Nil	716700	7747	Nil	66 (Arms)
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2010	Nil	11900	25316	Nil	63 (Arms)
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2011	Nil	7000	11132	Nil	413 (Drugs)
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2012	Nil	158000	5586	Nil	147 (Drugs)
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(Till
date)

Indo-China Border

Year	Arms (In Indian Nos.)	Fake Currency	Narcotics (In Kg)	Cattle Seized	Persons Arrested & item description (In Nos.)	Notes (In Rs.)
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2009	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	
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2010	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	2	
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2011	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	2	
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2012	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	
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(Till date)

(c)&(d) Border Security Force (BSF), Sashatra Seema Bal (SSB) and Indo- Tibetan Border Police (ITBP) have reported 182, 2 and 4 cases of connivance of the security personnel, respectively. The charged officers are tried by security force courts or dealt with summarily depending on the merits of the case.

(e) The Government has adopted a multi-pronged approach for effective domination and to check trans-border crimes including smuggling activities along international borders of the country. The steps taken in this regard inter-alia includes:

Effective domination of the border by carrying out round the clock surveillance of the borders by patrolling nakas (border ambushes) and by deploying observation posts all along the International Border. The Riverine segments of International Border are being patrolled and dominated with the help of wafer crafts/speed boats/floating Border Out Posts (BOPs) of BSF water wings.

Construction of fencing, patrol roads, floodlighting systems and additional Border Out Posts.

Induction of Hi-Tech surveillance equipments. The constant efforts are being made to procure the latest surveillance equipments fully equipped with day and night vision devices for further enhancing the border domination.

Up-gradation of intelligence network and co-ordination with sister agencies, conduct of special operations along the border.