## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:680 ANSWERED ON:24.11.2009 ASSISTANCE TO GUJARAT FOR COASTAL SECURITY Maadam Shri Vikrambhai Arjanbhai

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

(a) the details of the proposal received from the State of Gujarat under the Coastal Security Scheme including proposal for financial assistance and setting up and upgrading additional 40 coastal police stations;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken thereon including the amount provided in this regard?

## Answer

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

(a) to (c): A comprehensive Coastal Security Scheme, which is under implementation since 2005-06 over a period of 5 years, was formulated after consultations with all agencies concerned as well as all the 9 coastal States including Gujarat and 4 Union Territories. Based on the proposal of State Government of Gujarat, the Coastal Security Scheme provides for 10 coastal police stations, 25 checkposts, 46 out-posts, equipped with 20 jeeps, 101 motorcycles, 20 boats of 12 Tonnes and 10 boats of 5 Tonnes at an outlay of Rs.5842.60 lakh.

An amount of Rs. 842.60 lakh has already been released to Gujarat under the scheme for setting up of 10 coastal police stations, 25 check-posts and 46 out-posts; purchase of 20 jeeps & 101 motorcycles; and lump-sum assistance at the rate of Rs. 10 lakh per coastal police station for 10 coastal police stations, for furniture, office equipments etc. The interceptor boats are being procured centrally and supplied to the States. So far seven (7) boats (4 boats of 12 Ton and 3 boats of 5 Ton) have been supplied to Gujarat. The delivery of the remaining boats is going on.

Later, a revised proposal from Government of Gujarat was received in 2006-07 for upgrading of the existing 40 police stations. But, the proposal could not be considered as the ongoing Coastal Security Scheme is approved for five years and any such proposal could be considered only at the time of review after that.

The proposal of Government of Gujarat for the proposed Phase-II of Coastal Security Scheme has also been received, for further strengthening of the coastal security.