GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:686 ANSWERED ON:24.11.2009 BANNED BOOKS IN INDIA Vardhan Shri Harsh

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has banned certain books in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years and the current year alongwith the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): A statement is laid on the Table.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 686 FOR 24.11.2009 REGARDING "BANNED BOOKS IN INDIA"

S.No. Name and author of the Book Reasons for proscription Year of banning

1 "Michha Mahatma" (False Mahatma) Derogatory writings on Mahatma 2006
Written by Mr. Bibhudha Ranjan Gandhi and wilful attempt to
 tarnish the image of the "Father
 of Nation" that had the potential

- to hurt sentiments of nation.
- 2. 'Bunch of Truth' Hindi title The book contained objectionable 2006 'Haqeeqat' written by Shri a community. and slanderous portions M.G. Mathew against
- 3. "Vishwavyapi Muslim Samasya" Highly provocative and had the 2006 written by Balraj Madhok potential to hurt religious sentiments of a community