

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:254
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MODERNISATION OF NSG
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total strength of National Security Guard (NSG) and its role along with funds allocated, released and utilized for modernization of NSG during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether the major requirements of NSG like a separate dedicated air-wing, new sniper rifles, under barrel grenade launchers, level four helmets, night vision devices, fire proof uniforms etc., have been pending with the Union Government;
- (c) if so, the details and the status thereof along with the reasons for the pendency;
- (d) the total regional hubs set up as on date including the locations of these regional hubs and the criteria for choosing these locations;
- (e) whether the Union Government has received requests from various organisations regarding setting up of more NSG hubs in the country; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Union Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) : Total strength of NSG is 19319.

The role of NSG is to combat terrorist activities, with a view to protecting States against internal disturbances arising out of terrorist activities. The NSG is a specially equipped and trained force to deal with specific situations like neutralization of terrorists in any given area, anti-hijack operations and hostage rescue actions. If it is considered that, a State/UT concerned is unable or not equipped to deal with a particular terrorist situation, the NSG can be deployed by the Central Government on a requisition from the State. Funds allotted and utilized for modernization of NSG during each of the last three years and the current year.

		(Rs. in Crores)							
Head of	2009-	2010-	2011-	2012-					
Accounts	10	11	12	13					
	Al	Uti	Al	Uti	Al	Uti	Al	Uti	
	lotted	lised	lotted	lised	lotted	lised	lotted	lised	
Arms and Amms	12.00	6.64	11.60	11.47	3.52	0	0.40	0	
MV	3.00	2.62	1.40	0.03	1.40	0	0.25	0	
M&E	9.00	1.82	9.00	3.36	9.00	8.90	0.25	0	
Total	24.00	11.08	22.00	14.86	13.92	8.90	0.90	0	

(b) & (c): Yes Madam. Proposal of NSG for sanctioning Sniper Rifles is under consideration.

(d): The Government has established four Regional Hubs, one each at Hyderabad, Mumbai, Chennai and Kolkata.

The criteria for selecting the location of Regional Hubs is to cover the entire country and availability of air and other resources in the vicinity for mobilization.

(e) to (f): No Madam, At present, there is no firm proposal to create any more Regional Hubs of NSG.