GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5625 ANSWERED ON:30.04.2013 TERRORIST THREATS Nirupam Shri Sanjay Brijkishorilal

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are reports that some of the terrorist outfits including Lashkar-e-Taiba have threatened/planned terrorist attacks in the country in reaction to the execution of Afzal Guru;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH)

(a) to (b): As per the available intelligence inputs, on 9th February, 2013, a Lashkar-e- Taiba (LeT) Spokesperson, in a telephonic message to Kashmir News Service threatened for retaliatory action by the LeT in near future to avenge the hanging of Afzal Guru. Apart from it, in reaction to the execution of Afzal Guru, representatives of 9 terrorist outfits aligned to the United Jehad Council including LeT, JeM and HM, organized a conference on 13th February, 2013 in Islamabad, wherein participants raised anti-India slogans condemning the hanging of Afzal Guru and reiterated their resolve to set up Jehad in India. Also, the chief of LeT had a meeting with the top LeT commanders to plan big attacks to the iconic places in India.

(c) : Government is committed to thwart any evil design / plan of terrorists or terror groups / outfits to carry out attacks in any part of the country in all forms or manifestations, as no cause can justify terror attacks. As such, intelligence inputs about possible designs and threats by the terrorist outfits are shared with the State Governments. The Multi Agency Centre (MAC) has been strengthened and reorganised to enable it to function on 24x7 basis for real time collation and sharing of intelligence with other intelligence agencies and security intelligence inputs are shared with the concerned States through the established mechanism, which ensures close coordination and sharing of intelligence and seamless flow of information between the States and the Central Security and Law Enforcement Agency. This has resulted in busting of several major terror modules.