

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOME AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2499  
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REVIVAL OF MILITANCY  
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**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether there are reports that some of the organisation belonging to United Kingdom (UK) are striving to revive the Sikh militancy;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has sought assistance from the Government of UK to probe the said case;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the response of the UK Government thereto;
- (d) whether various networking sites have been put under the scanner for trying to revive the movement; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the preventive measures taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

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

- (a): Yes, there are reports that some organizations like the Babbar Khalsa International (BKI) in the UK are striving to revive Sikh militancy.
- (b) & (c): Government have conveyed its concerns to the UK authorities including during the recent India-UK Summit held in New Delhi on February 19, 2013. Both sides have agreed to enhance cooperation in this regard.
- (d) & (e): The Government of India has adopted an integrated approach to counter such attempts which, inter-alia include sustained vigilance along the borders, strengthening of mechanisms for intelligence gathering and sharing. A close watch is maintained on the activities of various groups known to have been engaged in trying to foment terrorist activities in Punjab. In addition, pro-Khalistan terrorist outfits namely, Babbar Khalsa International, International Sikh Youth Federation, Khalistan Commando Force and Khalistan Zindabad Force continue to be listed as Terrorist Organizations in the schedule to the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Amendment Act, 2004.