GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:233 ANSWERED ON:06.08.2013 SECURITY TO VIP Patil Shri C. R.

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) proposes to set up a new unit to cater to Z-plus category of protectees for VVIP/VIP security;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether CISF is also creating an exclusive pool of commandos to cater to Z-plus category of protectees;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the amount earmarked for creating CISF units for VIP/VVIP security?

Answer

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

(a) to (e) : No Madam. Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) already has a dedicated VIP Security Unit known as 'Special Security Group (SSG)'. It has a sanctioned strength of 1200 personnel. SSG provides security cover to protectees, including protectees with 'Z+' category security cover. The men deployed in SSG are drawn from the common pool of CISF who are deployed after specialized training in VIP Security in the Training Centre of CISF. Moreover, some CISF personnel, who have served in the Special Protection Group (SPG) / National Security Guards (NSG), are also deployed under SSG on their repatriation from SPG/NSG.