

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2915

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SECURITY AT RELIGIOUS PLACES

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken a decision to station para-military forces at some religious places on the request of the State Governments including at Mahabodhi Temple in Gaya in the State of Bihar;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether similar requests have been received from other States also;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the decision taken or being taken by the Government in this regard;
- (e) whether para-military forces rules do not permit giving protection to any religious place in the country; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the rationale behind stationing para-military forces to guard religious places in the country?

Answer

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

- (a) to (f): Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.