GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4133 ANSWERED ON:15.12.2009 CISF PROTECTION TO PRIVATE FIRMS

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether some private firms have requested the Government for Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) protection;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (d) the criteria adopted by the Government to provide CISF cover to private firms?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

- (a): Yes Madam.
- (b): So far 98 Private firms have requested for CISF protection considering the threat perception to their establishments.List of these firms is given at Annexure-A.
- (c): 169 CISF personnel have been sanctioned for deployment at two private firms viz. Infosys Technologies Limited, Bangalore (101 personnel) and Electronics City, Bangalore (68 personnel) on cost reimbursement basis. Proposals received are examined as per the policy decided for providing CISF security to Private/Joint Sector Establishments.
- (d): The requests received from the Private/Joint Sector companies seeking CISF security cover are considered according to the priority decided in the deployment policy for the security of important and critical installations in Private/Joint Sector as follows:-

Priority-I – Industrial units whose products or services are vital to the country's economic security and growth and whose loss or serious damage would affect India's international image adversely. They may include Petroleum and Natural Gas installations, IT and Communication institutions with major linkages with other economies, Power sector installations, Sea -Ports etc.

Priority-II - Industrial units extremely important for the Indian economy and located in Naxal, Militancy affected or vulnerable areas.

Priority-III - Industrial units substantially important for the economy and which would require huge investments and large time lags to replace in case of damage. These may include Ship Building, Research Institutions, Heritage Hotels etc.