GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:4 ANSWERED ON:24.02.2015 INFILTRATION ALONG INTERNATIONAL BORDERS Chauhan Shri Devusinh Jesingbhai;Solanki Dr. Kirit Premjibhai

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether infiltration along the international borders of the country continue to remain unabated;

(b) if so, the number of such cases reported during each of the last three years and the current year, border-wise;

(c) the status of fencing and flood lights to check infiltration along the international borders of the country, State-wise and border-wise;

(d) whether construction of roads have also been undertaken along the borders from strategic point of view; and

(e) if so, the details thereof, State-wise along with the other measures taken to check infiltration at the Borders?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI KIREN RIJIJU)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the table of the House.

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(a) & (b) The cases of infiltration along the International Borders of the country have been reported. However, no definite pattern emerges from the figures of infiltration pertaining to last three years. The number of such cases reported during the last three years and the current year border-wise is as follows:-

Borders No. of Cases of infiltration Year-wise 2012 2013 2014 2015 (upto 31.01.2015) Indo-Bangladesh Border 707 1161 1018 86 Indo-Pakistan Border 332 345 268 04 Indo-Nepal Border 04 03 13 01 Indo-Bhutan Border Indo-China Border 02 02 01 00 Indo-Myanmar Border 219 180 174 01

(c) The fencing and floodlighting has been sanctioned by the Government of India along the Indo-Bangladesh and Indo-Pakistan borders. Fencing has also been sanctioned in a small patch of about 10 km along the Indo-Myanmar border. The details of fencing and floodlighting along the Indo-Bangladesh border are as under:

(length in km) Name of the Fencing Floodlighting State Sanctioned Completed Sanctioned Completed West Bengal 1464.78 1237.116 1411.13 1119.59 Assam 229.03 223.89 208.74 155.30 Meghalaya 453.41 347.91 443.00 170.00 Tripura 834.51 784.466 718.47 660.00 Mizoram 344.41 234.54 335.66 46.20 Total 3326.14 2827.922 3117.00 2151.09

The details of fencing and floodlighting along the Indo-Pakistan border are as under:

(length in Km) Name of the Fencing Floodlighting State Sanctioned Completed Sanctioned Completed Punjab 462.45 462.45 460.72 460.72 Rajasthan 1056.63 1048.27 1022.80 1022.80 Jammu Inter 186 186 186 176.40 national Border Gujarat 340 261.28 340 293 TOTAL 2043.63 1958.00 2009.52 1952.92

Indo-Myanmar Border:

The fencing along the Indo-Myanmar border has been sanctioned only in the State of Manipur for a stretch of 10.00 km., out of which about 4.00 km of work has been completed.

(d) & (e) The Government has sanctioned roads from strategic point of view along the Indo-Bangladesh, Indo-China, Indo-Nepal, Indo-Bhutan and Indo-Pakistan borders. The details in this regard are as under:-

Construction of roads along the Indo-Bangladesh Border:

(length in km) Name of the State Sanctioned Completed West Bengal 1770.00 1689.00 Assam 288.75 260.06 Meghalaya 533.03 380.33 Tripura 1185.01 997.28 Mizoram 602.28 447.73 Total 4379.07 3774.40

Indo-Pakistan Border:

The Government has sanctioned construction of roads to the extent of 340 km in Gujarat State and 133.26 km in the Rajasthan State along the Indo-Pakistan Border. Out of these, 261.28 km roads have been completed in Gujarat and 133.26 km in Rajasthan.

Construction of roads along the Indo-China Border:

(length in km) Name of the State Sanctioned Completed Jammu & Kashmir 1207.1 782.53 Himachal Pradesh 171.98 62.05 Uttrakhand 445.05 78.80 Sikkim 159.20 29.99 Arunachal Pradesh 1790.44 1166.83 Total 3773.77 2120.20

Construction of roads along the Indo-Nepal border:

(length in km) Name of the State Sanctioned Earth work Completed Uttar Pradesh 640 46 Bihar 564 51 Uttarakhand 173 05 Total 1377 102

Indo-Bhutan border:

The Government has approved construction of 313 Km of border roads along Indo-Bhutan border at a cost of Rs. 1259 crore. The construction activities have not yet started.

The other measures taken to check Infiltration along the borders are as follows:

Effective domination of the borders by the Border Guarding Forces (BGFs) through carrying out round the clock surveillance of the borders by patrolling nakas (border ambushes) and by deploying observation posts all along the international borders of the country.

The riverine segments of international borders of the country are being patrolled and dominated with the help of water crafts/speed boats/floating Border Out Posts (

Usages of Hi-Tech surveillance equipments along with day and night vision devices for further enhancing the border domination.

Vulnerability mapping of the Border Out Posts (BOPs) which are sensitive with regard to illegal migration/human trafficking along the Borders has been carried out. These identified BOPs have been strengthened by deploying additional manpower, Special Surveillance Equipment, vehicles and other infrastructure support.