

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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COLLABORATION IN FORENSIC SCIENCE
Thota Shri Narasimham

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to collaborate with US in the field of forensic sciences to utilise their expertise not only for solving criminal cases but also to generate intelligence and to defuse IED threat; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIBHAI PARATHIBHAI CHAUDHARY)

(a) & (b): The Indo-US joint statement issued on January 25, 2015 noted the growing cooperation between their law enforcement agencies, particularly in the areas of extradition and mutual legal assistance, to counter transnational criminal threats such as terrorism, narcotics, trafficking, financial and economic fraud, cybercrime, and transnational organized crime and pledged to enhance such cooperation further. It also noted the positive cooperative engagement between the Indian and the US authorities with a view to working together to counter the threat of IEDs and to develop counterterrorism best practices.