

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOME AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4512

ANSWERED ON:21.04.2015

INTELLIGENCE GATHERING BY FISHERMEN

Mahajan Smt. Poonam ;Muddahanumegowda Shri S.P.

**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether it is fact that under the Fishermen Awareness Programme, basic skills are imparted to the fishermen in intelligence gathering so that they can be cultivated as effective informers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any objection has been raised from any quarters in this regard and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Ministry of Home Affairs is coordinating with the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries for a programme to impart basic skills in intelligence gathering to fishermen in all the coastal States; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

- (a) to (b): As per the information available, the Indian coast Guard (ICG), coastal Police and Fisheries Departments are organizing security awareness programme for fishermen. They are being briefed about security concerns and advised to inform security agencies if they notice any suspicious activity or presence of a suspicious vessel/boat at the sea. During awareness programmes, the fishermen are also advised to carry their identity documents, boat documents and safety equipments while venturing into sea.
- (c): No, Madam.
- (d): No, Madam.
- (e): Does not arise.