

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4853
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WITHDRAWAL OF SECURITY FORCES FROM J K
Mufti Smt. Mehbooba

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the number of militants operating in the State of Jammu & Kashmir have decreased since 1995;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has any proposal for withdrawal of security forces for civilian areas of the State;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The number of militants operating in the state of Jammu & Kashmir have considerably decreased since 1995. There were 6800 (approx) militants of different tanzeems active during the year 1996 in the State which however has got reduced to 240 and 199 in the year 2013 and 2014 (January) respectively.
- (c) to (e): No, Madam. There is no proposal to withdraw the security forces from the State of Jammu & Kashmir. The deployment of security forces at any point of time is decided based on the review of the threat perception at the highest operational levels in the Central and State Governments.