

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:247
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REHABILITATION OF SURRENDERED MILITANTS
Thota Shri Narasimham

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken a decision to absorb surrendered militants drawn from Manipur and Assam in two auxiliary battalions of the BSF and SSB forces with a strength of 750 each;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether a similar drive in the north-east in the early 1970s was successful prompting the Government to revive the plan;
- (d) if so, whether the Government is also considering to undertake such rehabilitation measures in other parts of the country as well; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): No final decision has been taken on creation of two Auxiliary Battalions of the Border Security Force (BSF) and Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB).
- (c): In the year 1973, two Auxiliary Battalions were raised in BSF. Subsequently, these two battalions were converted to regular battalions.
- (d) & (e): No proposal is under consideration to undertake such measures in other parts of the Country.