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Title : Regarding need to provide special economic package to the Government of Arunachal Pradesh for improving the State economy and modernisation of Arunachal Pradesh Police Force.

SHRI KIREN RIJJU (ARUNACHAL WEST): The State of Arunachal Pradesh has been known as the "Island of Peace" in the country due to peaceful atmosphere prevalent in the State which is different from other regions. Government of India has been giving special packages to some States as "Peace Bonus" for their return to normalcy which is a welcome step. But at the same time depriving the already peaceful State from economic benefit through special grants is viewed by the people as discouraging and negative policy.

Lately, there have been intrusions of certain elements into the State's territory and created troubles in certain areas which has resulted in the loss of lives and properties. It is a disturbing as well as dangerous trend since Arunachal Pradesh is situated at a very strategic location making it one of the most sensitive States.

The State Police Force has been putting good efforts and trying its best to contain the situation. But the State police force is ill-equipped and is not sufficiently funded to raise its numerical strength and improve its resources and qualities with the modern weaponry system.

Sir, I would like to draw the attention of this august house through you and urge the hon. Prime Minister to provide Special Economic Package to the State of Arunachal Pradesh to improve the economic condition of the people of Arunachal Pradesh. I would also like to urge hon. Home Minister to provide Special Financial Grant to modernise the Arunachal Pradesh police force.