

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2056**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 03RD MARCH, 2020/ PHALGUNA 13, 1941 (SAKA)

FENCING ALONG BORDER

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SHRI REBATI TRIPURA:
SHRI SHYAM SINGH YADAV:**

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the work of fencing of borders in all sensitive States on Indo-Bangladesh and Indo-Pakistan border could not be completed in a timebound manner, including in Assam, Tripura and West Bengal;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the pendency of works against the schedule, State-wise;

(c) the time by which the remaining fencing work is likely to be completed; and

(d) whether the Government has any information regarding infiltration from Indo-Bangladesh border (IBB) since 2014 till date and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI NITYANAND RAI)**

(a) to (c): The fencing work on Indo-Bangladesh Border could not be completed due to various reasons which inter-alia include difficult terrain, riverine and marshy land, short working season, land acquisition problems,

public protests and objections by Border Guard Bangladesh. On Indo-Pakistan Border, the fencing could not be completed due to difficult terrain, including riverine/marshy land. The Government is regularly monitoring the progress of work.

The details of fencing state-wise are as under:-

(Length in Km)

State	Total International Border	International Border covered by Fence	Balance
INDO-PAK BORDER			
J&K	191.660	187.550	4.110
Punjab	553.000	542.741	10.259
Rajasthan	1037.000	1037.000	0.000
Gujarat	508.000	273.268	234.732
Total	2289.66	2040.559	249.101
INDO-BANGLADESH BORDER			
West Bengal	2216.700	1637.048	579.652
Assam	263.000	208.096	54.904
Meghalaya	443.000	324.429	118.571
Mizoram	318.000	155.077	162.923
Tripura	856.000	790.424	65.576
Total	4096.7	3115.074	981.626

(d): Border guarding forces conduct regular patrolling, lay nakas and establish observation posts and carry out anti tunneling exercise to stop illegal infiltration. However, some infiltrators are able to enter in a clandestine and surreptitious manner, mainly due to difficult riverine terrain

in parts of international border with Bangladesh which are not amenable to physical fencing. The details of infiltrators who were apprehended along Indo-Bangladesh border during the last 6 years is as under:-

Year	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020 (upto 22 Feb.)
Total	2455	3426	2075	1175	1118	1351	183
