

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS  
RAJYA SABHA  
QUESTION NO 15.07.2009  
ANSWERED ON**

**PROPOSAL OF GOVERNMENT OF GUJARAT FOR COASTAL SECURITY SCHEME .**

1223

SHRI VIJAYKUMAR RUPANI

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

- (a) the original proposal of Government of Gujarat under the Coastal Security Scheme;
- (b) the amount and item/sanctioned by Government;
- (c) whether Government has received secondary proposal from the State for sanction of additional 12 Coastal Police Stations, 17 Coastal Out Posts;
- (d) by when Government intend to give sanction to above proposal;
- (e) of the 30 boats sanctioned for coastal security, by when Government intend to deliver the remaining 28 boats;
- (f) whether Government would accord sanction for camel patrolling system, watch towers etc.; and
- (g) whether it is a fact that the sensitive areas between Jakhau and Chhad belt are not being effectively covered under patrolling by the Coast Guard/BSF wing because of lack of suitable boats?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

(SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) to (g): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (g) OF THE RAJYA SABHA UN STARRED QUESTION NO. 1223 BY SHRI VIJAYKUMAR RUPANI TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.07.2009 REGARDING `PROPOSAL OF GOVERNMENT OF GUJARAT FOR COASTAL SECURITY SCHEME`

(a) & (b): A comprehensive Coastal Security Scheme, which is a supplemental initiative, was approved in January 2005 for implementation over a five year period commencing 2005-06. The Scheme is under implementation in nine coastal States, viz. Gujarat, Maharashtra, Goa, Karnataka, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Orissa and West Bengal, and four coastal Union Territories, viz. Daman & Diu, Lakshadweep, Puducherry and Andaman & Nicobar Islands. Under the Scheme, 73 coastal police stations, 97 check posts 58 outposts and 30 operational barracks have been approved. The scheme also provides for 204 patrol boats fitted with modern navigational and maritime equipment for patrolling in coastal waters, and 153 jeeps and 312 motorcycles for patrolling along the coast. A lump sum assistance of Rs.10 lakhs per police station is also provided for computers and equipments, etc. The approved five-year outlay for the Scheme is Rs.400 crores for non-recurring expenditure and Rs.151 crores for recurring expenditure on fuel, maintenance and repairs of vessels and training of personnel.

The Government of Gujarat had submitted, in 2005, a comprehensive proposal of Rs. 321.70 crores for new police stations, upgradation of existing police stations, check-posts, out-posts, watch towers etc. under the Coastal Security Scheme for consideration of the Government. After detailed discussions and consultation with all concerned including the State Government, the Government of India approved 10 coastal police stations, 20 jeeps, 101 motorcycles, 25 check-posts, 46 out-posts and 30 boats (20 boats of 12 Tonnes and 10 boats of 5 Tonnes) for Gujarat, at the approved outlay of Rs. 5842.60 lakhs, under the Scheme.

(c) & (d): Yes, Sir. As a general policy decision, all the coastal States and Union Territories are carrying out the exercise of vulnerability/gap analysis jointly with Coast Guard, to firm up their additional requirements, in respect of coastal police stations, vehicles, boats etc., for formulation of Phase-II of the Coastal Security Scheme for further approval of the Government of India. Though Government of Gujarat has submitted its proposal, the detailed proposals are yet to be received from most of the coastal States and Union Territories.

(e) Supply of boats has started and two boats have been delivered to Gujarat so far. The supply schedule of boats has been finalised to complete supply of all the allocated boats by October, 2010.

(f) The Border Guarding Forces (BSE-t) has been deployed at Indo-Pak International Border in Gujarat. BSF is carrying out round the clock surveillance and patrolling and adequate steps are taken for effective patrolling on the border.

(g) No, Sir. Indian Coast Guard is regularly deploying ships and aircrafts between Sir Creek and Jakhau. Hovercrafts and Interceptor Boats `also are deployed from Jakhau to carry out patrol of sensitive areas between Sir Creek and Jakhau along the coast. BSF is also manning the area under their jurisdiction with sufficient number of available watercrafts and other vessels.