

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**QUESTION NO 21.04.2010**  
**ANSWERED ON**

**POSSIBLE TARGETS OF TERRORIST ATTACK IN HIMACHAL PRADESH .**

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Smt. Viplove Thakur

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether Government has received any information from Central intelligence agencies that the Jewish congregation centres at Manali, Kasol and Dharamkot- Bhagsunag belt in the Dhauladhars and the exclusive foreigners meditation centre can be next possible targets for terrorist attack;
- (b) if so, the precautionary steps taken by Government to foil possible terrorist bid;
- (c) whether Central security agencies have also provided any information about the possible terrorist attack during the Jewish New Year festival celebration which falls in the month of September-October and runs for 10 days; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and Government's preparation to maintain safety and security of the Jewish followers?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

(SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

(a) to (d): As per available inputs, some locations in Himachal Pradesh frequented by the Jews could be possible target of terror attacks and the state government has been alerted accordingly to take adequate precautionary steps to prevent such possible attacks. Further, the intelligence and security agencies are aware of the threats posed by terrorist elements and their nefarious designs especially on such locations. The Central Security and Intelligence Agencies work in tandem with their counterparts in various States, to thwart such nefarious designs of terrorists.