GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OFHOME AFFAIRS RAJYA SABHA QUESTION NO08.12.2010 ANSWERED ON

INFILTRATION FROM BANGLADESH.

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

- (a) the State-wise details of the number of Bangladeshi infiltrators in different parts of the country;
- (b) the number of Bangladeshis entering India illegally every year; and
- (c) the annual expenditure on security arrangements to prevent infiltration?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

(SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN)

- (a):The Indo-Bangladesh Border is characterized by hilly terrain, riverine and low-lying areas, forest and dense population upto zero line. Taking advantage of these conditions the activity of infiltration from across the border takes place clandestinely and surreptitiously, therefore, the exact number of Bangladeshi infiltrators in different parts of the country cannot be quantified.
- (b):The Border Security Force (BSF) has been deployed on Indo-Bangladesh Border. The number of Bangladeshi infiltrators apprehended by the Border Security force (BSF) during the last three years and the current year are as under:

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Year Persons Apprehended
2007 4553
2008 3175
2009 2460
2010 1386
(till October)
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(c):Government has taken various initiatives on security arrangements to prevent infiltration from across the border which, inter-alia, includes construction of fencing, patrol roads, floodlighting and border out posts for effective domination of the border. These works are being executed by various Government agencies. The funds to these agencies are being released on the basis of annual targets assigned by the Government.