GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2770

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 22ND DECEMBER, 2021/ PAUSHA 1, 1943 (SAKA)

INCREASE IN UNREST IN JAMMU & KASHMIR

2770. SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons why there has been a sudden increase in unrest and targeted attacks on religious minorities in the UT of Jammu & Kashmir;

(b) the reasons why the UT administration has failed to control the proliferation of such incidents;

(c) how many arrests have been made in connection with these incidents;
(d) how many have been chargesheeted; and

(e) whether the creation of a new anti-terror agency in the UT signals the failure of existing agencies in tackling the situation and if so, the reason therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): There has been an overall decline in terrorist incidents from 417 in 2018 to 203 in 2021 (till 30th November, 2021) and the law and order situation in Jammu & Kashmir has improved. However, there have been a few targeted attacks on people belonging to religious minority communities by terrorists sponsored from across the border. A robust security and intelligence grid is in place to prevent any terrorist attack. In addition, day

& night area domination, patrolling and proactive operations against terrorists are being carried out. Besides, round the clock checking at Nakas, Road Opening Parties are being adequately augmented at strategic points to thwart any terrorist attack.

(c): 07 persons have been arrested in connection with attacks on religious minorities while 04 terrorists involved in these incidents have been killed.

(d): 07 accused including 01 absconder have been charge sheeted.

(e): No Sir. The State Investigation Agency (SIA) has been constituted by the Govt. of Jammu and Kashmir for speedy and effective investigation and prosecution of terrorism related cases. Moreover, SIA shall be the nodal agency for coordinating with the National Investigation Agency (NIA) and other Central Agencies in this regard.

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