GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2074

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 29^{TH} NOVEMBER, 2016/AGRAHAYANA 8, 1938 (SAKA)

ISI SPIES

2074. SHRI P. KARUNAKARAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any spy from ISI has been arrested in India recently;
- (b) if so, the number of spies arrested during the current year, Statewise; and
- (c) the measures taken to check such espionage activities in the country?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR)

(a) & (b): During the current year 2016 (till date), 24 agents were arrested/detected in spying activities for Pak backed intelligence agency, ISI. The details of which is given as under:

Year	Espionage agents arrested / detected					
2016 till date	Rajasthan	Punjab	Gujarat	Uttar Pradesh	Jammu and Kashmir	Delhi
	09	06	02	01	02	04

In addition to these 24 agents, one Pakistani spying agent detected in October 2016 was Pak High Commission, New Delhi based Intelligence Officer, Mehmood Akhtar.

(c): The Government has been pursuing a well coordinated and multi pronged approach to tackle such activities which include sanitization of staff and officers, cyber security, installations of CCTV and biometric and electronic surveillance along with strengthening vigilance on the borders to check infiltration and illegal cross border activities, gearing up the Intelligence machinery to interdict Pakistani agents, close interaction and coordination between different agencies of the Centre and the State Governments.
