GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †3375

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 6^{TH} DECEMBER, 2016/ AGRAHAYANA 15, 1938 (SAKA)

SMUGGLING IN BORDER AREAS

†3375. SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL: SHRIMATI REKHA VERMA: SHRI SISIR KUMAR ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether various items including narcotics and weapons are being smuggled into the country on a large scale from across the border;

(b) if so, the details of the cases reported, smugglers arrested and the quantum of narcotics and weapons confiscated during each of the last three years and the current year, border-wise;

(c) whether the terrorist outfits active in the country are involved in the smuggling of the said items;

(d) if so, the details of such cases that came to light during the said period, border wise; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to curb cross-border smuggling?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI KIREN RIJIJU)

(a) & (b): There are cases of smuggling of narcotics and weapons into the country from across the border. The details of the cases reported, smugglers arrested and the quantum of narcotics and weapons confiscated during each of the last three years and the current year, border-wise, are given at 'Annexure'. (c) & (d): There have been no reports of involvement of terrorist outfits in cross-border smuggling of narcotics and weapons.

(e): To check cross border smuggling of narcotics and weapons along India's international borders, the Government have adopted a multipronged approach which, inter-alia, includes round the clock surveillance & patrolling on the borders and establishment of observation posts; construction of border fencing, border patrol roads and flood lighting; introduction of modern and hi-tech surveillance equipment; introduction of technological solutions for improved border surveillance, upgradation of intelligence set up and coordination with the State Governments and concerned intelligence agencies.

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<u>ANNEXURE</u> L.S.US.Q.NO.3375 FOR 06.12.2016

				(A) Deta	ails of Smug	gling of Di	rugs/Narco	otics				
Border	2013			2014			2015			2016 (upto 31/10/2016)		
	No. of	Quantity	Nos of	No. of	Quantity	Nos of	No. of	Quantity	Nos of	No. of	Quantity	Nos of
	Cases	Seized	Smugg-	Cases	Seized	Smugg-	Cases	Seized	Smugg-	Cases	Seized	Smugg-
		(in Kgs)	lers		(in Kgs)	lers		(in Kgs)	lers		(in Kgs)	lers
			Arrested			Arrested			Arrested			Arrested
Indo-Bangladesh	478	8050.849	39	552	15333.78	33	528	16658.16	24	653	9319.47	51
Border												
Indo-Pakistan	38	331.585	6	100	434.954	11	52	409.213	11	49	287.96	34
Border												
Indo-China	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0
Border												
Indo-Nepal	217	8298.542	143	184	1189.3	208	141	1408.273	147	183	2783.02	224
Border												
Indo-Bhutan	9	648.15	0	18	1736.64	18	36	7494.175	25	41	9609.79	43
Border												
Indo-Myanmar	46	584.222	82	37	194.497	51	34	500.735	44	22	573.37	13
Border												
(B) Details of Smuggling of Weapons												
Border		2013			2014		2015			2016 (upto 31/10/2016)		
	No. of Cases	Quantity Seized (in Nos)	Nos of Smugg- lers Arrested	No. of Cases	Quantity Seized (in Nos)	Nos of Smugg- lers Arrested	No. of Cases	Quantity Seized (in Nos)	Nos of Smugg- lers Arrested	No. of Cases	Quantity Seized (in Nos)	Nos of Smugg- lers Arrested
Indo-Bangladesh Border	32	46	25	38	60	54	33	72	27	32	68	22
Indo-Pakistan Border	14	32	10	20	25	14	13	18	1	24	43	27
Indo-China	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Border												
Indo-Nepal	52	85	48	38	45	38	50	76	62	27	36	39
Border												
Indo-Bhutan	17	23	7	38	65	35	26	43	41	19	28	15
Border												
Indo-Myanmar Border	23	250	28	7	185	9	8	78	11	38	67	80