

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. *169**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 14TH MARCH, 2017 / PHALGUNA 23, 1938 (SAKA)

LIVE AND USED EXPLOSIVES

***169. SHRI P. NAGARAJAN:
 DR. C. GOPALAKRISHNAN:**

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether several boxes of live and used rounds and explosives were found during a cleaning operation by the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) inside an old well at the Red Fort in Delhi recently and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether any inquiry committee/ commission has been set up to look into the security lapses in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (b): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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STATEMENT REFFERED TO IN REPLY TO THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.*169 FOR 14.3.2017.

(a) : Yes, Madam. As reported by Delhi Police, following explosive articles were found:

Sl. No.	Explosive items recovered
1.	2” Mortar Bomb- 26
2.	White Phosphorous Grenade-22
3.	Hand Granade-05
4.	Small arms ammunition all types-44
5.	Loose Detonators-08
6.	Plastic explosive Kirkee-6.6 KG

(b): Delhi Police has reported that in this regard, a case FIR No. 17/2017 under Section 25/54/59 of The Arms Act & Section 3/4 of The Explosive Substances Act dated 06.02.2017 has been registered at Police Station Kotwali, Delhi. Army authorities have also been informed in this regard by Delhi Police. Investigation is continuing to establish the reasons for the presence of explosives.
