GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 6091

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 11th APRIL, 2017/CHAITRA 21, 1939 (SAKA)
SECURITY THREAT TO SPACE CENTRE

6091. SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has studied and observed that vital installations in the country like the SHAR, Sriharikota Space Centre are facing security threat from both internal and foreign attacks;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has taken any steps to boost adequate security and surveillance to these vital installations;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the safety and security measures taken by the Government to identify and thwart any threats from the sea, air and ground; and
- (e) the total funds allocated for safety and security and surveillance of these vital and strategically important installations during the last three years and the current year?

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

(a) to (d) Yes Madam. Security arrangements are being constantly reviewed and beefed up with necessary augmentation, whenever there is any specific security threat/alert from security /intelligence agencies. Security of the vital installations of sensitive sectors like DAE, DoS, Defence, etc is being looked after by CISF/State Police. Security of lesser sensitive installations is being covered by Departmental/State Home Guards / Private Security Personnel. For additional security of highly sensitive installation like Nuclear Power Plant, Space stations, Defence production units, Refineries, Research facilities etc. Quick Reaction Teams

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(QRTs) of CISF have been formed and Air Defence cover by Air Force/Army Air Elements are also available. Waterfront security of the installations located in the coastal areas is being provided by State Marine Police.

(e) MHA has no separate fund allocated for safety and security of vital and strategically important installations. The necessary funds are allocated by the Ministry/ Department/ PSUs concerned for the deployment of CISF at the Vital/strategic installations.
