## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

### LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 898

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 7<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY, 2017/ MAGHA 18, 1938 (SAKA)

#### **INSTALLATION OF LASER WALLS**

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### Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Border Security Force (BSF) proposes to set up/install LASER walls and smart sensors along the Indo-Bangla international border in West Bengal;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the expenditure likely to be incurred in this regard;
- (c) the time by which the work is likely to be started and completed;
- (d) whether the Government also proposes to install such technology in other porous riverine and unmanned terrain in other border areas of the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the other steps taken to check infiltration and cross border terrorism?

#### **ANSWER**

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

- (a): Yes, Madam.
- (b) to (e): The places where the laser walls & other technological solutions are installed on the International Border, depends on the threat perception and other related factors which are reviewed from time to time. The other steps taken to check infiltration and cross border terrorism are as follows:-
- (i) Effective domination of the borders by BSF through round the clock surveillance of the border, viz., patrolling, laying nakas, establishing of observation posts all along the International Boundary (IB) and strengthening existing defences of the Border Out Posts(BOPs).
- (ii) Erection of Border Fencing and floodlights along Indo-Pakistan Border.
- (iii) Introduction of Force multipliers and Surveillance Equipment to reduce stress level of troops and enhance surveillance of border.
- (iv) Vulnerability mapping of BOPs is reviewed from time to time from the point of view of cross-border crimes and being strengthened by deploying additional manpower, Special Surveillance Equipment, vehicles and other infrastructure support.

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