

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. *157**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 06TH MARCH, 2018 /PHALGUNA 15, 1939 (SAKA)

SASHASTRA SEEMA BAL

***157. SHRI RAM CHARITRA NISHAD:**

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to increase the strength of the Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB) and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether SSB is in the process of installing laser fences at certain points along Nepal and Bhutan borders to prevent infiltration of terrorists and smuggling and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether SSB is mandated to secure 699 km. Indo-Bhutan border 1758 km. long Indo-Nepal border and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.
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(a): No such proposal is under consideration as of now.

(b) & (c): Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB) is mandated to prevent trans-border crimes, illegal cross border activities and unauthorized entry into or exits from the territory of India so as to provide a sense of security among the people living in the border areas. It regularly carries out various operational activities like patrolling, laying of nakas along the border and checking of persons crossing the border. It is also using state of the art electronic equipment/technology to secure the Indo-Nepal and Indo-Bhutan borders.
