GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2801

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 13TH MARCH, 2018 /PHALGUNA 22, 1939 (SAKA)

TRAFFICKING OF BANGLADESHI GIRLS

2801. SHRI SISIR KUMAR ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether around 50 thousand Bangladeshi girls below 30 years are trafficked into the country every year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government thereon;
- (c) whether miles and miles of unfenced Line of Control (LoC) border is the transit point for the said trafficking; and
- (d) if so, the details of timebound action plan of the Government and to depute more BSF teams to stop trafficking therein?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): The details of Bangladeshi nationals, who have been apprehended by Border Security Force (BSF) while trying to enter into Indian Territory illegally, are given in the Annexure.

BSF have informed that there are some patches of unfenced area on Indo-Bangladesh border, including some riverine area. However, even on these unfenced patches, constant vigil is maintained by BSF personnel to ward off any attempt of unauthorized infiltration/entry and adequate manpower is in place.

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BSF has taken various steps to curb trans border crimes, which, inter-alia, include strengthening of sensitive Border Out Posts (BOPs) by deploying additional manpower, using hi-tech surveillance equipments, border fencing, installation of border floodlights, Simultaneous Coordinated Patrolling (SCP) with Border Guards of Bangladesh on the border, conduct of special operations, up-gradation of intelligence network, coordination with other relevant agencies and conducting workshops/training programmes on Human Trafficking with NGOs, UNODC and UNHCR.

As per information provided by the National Crime Records Bureau, 33

Bangladeshi women victims of human trafficking were rescued in the year

2016.

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Annexure

Details of apprehension of Bangladeshi Nationals entered into Indian Territory

	State	2016			2017			2018 (up to 28 Feb)		
		Child	Female	Male	Child	Female	Male	Child	Female	Male
Eastern Border	West	209	1009	3286	115	556	1870	49	145	258
	Bengal									
	Assam	0	0	109	1	1	115	0	0	14
	Meghalaya	7	9	147	0	3	102	0	1	3
	Mizoram	0	2	7	0	0	12	0	0	0
	Tripura	9	42	194	7	14	205	9	13	39
	Total	225	1062	3743	123	574	2304	58	159	314