## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 484

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 06<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2018 / MAGHA 17, 1939 (SAKA)

## **BORDER FENCING**

484. SHRI P. KUMAR:

**SHRI VENKATESH BABU T.G:** 

**SHRI M.I.SHANVAS:** 

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of border areas of the country where barbed wire fencing has been erected due to security reasons along with the status of fencing, borderwise;
- (b) the names of important and sensitive areas from where greater threat to India's security is perceived;
- (c) whether most of the narcotics products pass into the country from these areas :
- (d) whether the Government has any plan of erecting barbed wire fencing of all the sensitive border areas of the country;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the status of fencing at the borders including Indo-Bangladesh border and the time by which the fencing of the remaining portion is likely to be completed?

## **ANSWER**

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

- (a): All feasible stretches along International borders with Pakistan and Bangladesh have been approved for erection of barbed wire fence. In addition, a stretch of 10 km has also been approved for erection of fence on border with Myanmar.
- (b) &(c): The area of responsibility of 382 BOPs located along Indo-Bangladesh Border and Indo-Pakistan Border have been assessed as vulnerable on the basis of incidents of crimes related to cattle smuggling, phensedyl smuggling, FICN smuggling, illegal migration and attacks on BSF personnel by miscreants.
- (d) & (e): The Government has adopted a multi-pronged approach for security arrangements at the Indo-Pakistan Border (IPB) and Indo-Bangladesh Border (IBB). The arrangements include deployment of Border Security Force (BSF), construction of border fence, construction of border roads, installation of floodlights, construction of border out posts (BOPs), introduction of Hi-Tech surveillance equipments, providing weapons and Specialised Vehicles to Security Forces, etc.
- (f): The total sanctioned length of fence along Indo-Bangladesh border is 3326 Km out of which 2746.44 Km has been completed and the balance 'ongoing' work on encumbrance free stretches of land is targeted for completion by March, 2019.

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