GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1053

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 24th JULY, 2018/SHRAVANA 2, 1940 (SAKA) ILLEGAL ARMS TRADING

1053. SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE:

SHRIMATI BHAVANA PUNDALIKRAO GAWALI PATIL:

SHRIMATI REKHA VERMA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the rising incidents of illegal arms trading in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is aware that fake licences are prepared to sell arms and ammunitions illegally in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government has developed any mechanism to check illegal trade of arms in the country; and

ANSWER

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

- (a) & (b): The State/UT wise details of number of unlicensed / improvised / crude / country made arms for the period 2014-2016 are at Annexure-A
- (c) & (d): As per records, two unauthorized licences were cancelled in August 2017 in Jammu & Kashmir. Further, a gang involved in making fake licences was busted by ATS Rajasthan, and criminal cases against the culprits under relevant sections of IPC and the Arms Act, 1959 were registered at police station SOG Jaipur and Sukher, Udaipur, Rajasthan respectively. Also, Delhi Police have busted a number of gangs indulging in manufacturing and transporting of illicit firearms in Delhi and NCR.

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(e) & (f): As Police and Public Order are State subjects, the cases of illegal possession of arms and making of fake licences are dealt by the respective State Governments under the relevant provisions of IPC and the Arms Act, 1959.

This Ministry has issued necessary directives and guidelines to the State/UTs in above regard. Besides, this Ministry is maintaining a National Data Base of Arms Licences to keep the procedure of arms licensing under close observation and monitoring. A Unique Identification Number (UIN) is generated in the national data base for each licencee.

Statement on number of Un-licensed / improvised / crude / country made arms seized during 2014-2016

SL	State/UT	2014	2015	2016
1	Andhra Pradesh	62	103	24
2	Arunachal Pradesh	42	1	9
3	Assam	322	360	307
4	Bihar	1790	2006	2214
5	Chhattisgarh	225	216	312
6	Goa	0	4	3
7	Gujarat	560	507	494
8	Haryana	1451	1711	1799
9	Himachal Pradesh	4	5	7
10	Jammu & Kashmir	142	325	150
11	Jharkhand	343	455	471
12	Karnataka	72	83	102
13	Kerala	77	155	127
14	Madhya Pradesh	3228	1933	3709
15	Maharashtra	788	628	865
16	Manipur	50	23	29
17	Meghalaya	18	38	61
18	Mizoram	12	31	7
19	Nagaland	329	200	111
20	Odisha	241	192	298
21	Punjab	495	536	587
22	Rajasthan	1746	3345	2863
23	Sikkim	1	1	1
24	Tamil Nadu	97	154	200
25	Telangana	28	61	42
26	Tripura	2	3	3
27	Uttar Pradesh	15327	15833	16990
28	Uttarakhand	483	105	376
29	West Bengal	3506	3129	3119
	TOTAL STATE(S)	31441	32143	35280
30	A & N Islands	0	0	0
31	Chandigarh	14	6	17
32	D&N Haveli	0	0	0
33	Daman & Diu	0	1	1
34	Delhi UT	859	413	765
35	Lakshadweep	0	0	0
36	Puducherry	5	1	1
	TOTAL UT(S)	878	421	784
	TOTAL (ALL INDIA)	32319	32564	36064