### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2551

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 15TH DECEMBER, 2015/AGRAHAYANA 24,1937 (SAKA)

#### ESTABLISHMENT OF RAF BATTALION

#### 2551. SHRI DUSHYANT SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of States where Rapid Action Forces (RAF) of Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) has been located along with their present strength in respective States, State-wise;
- (b) the details of the criteria adopted for the establishment of RAF;
- (c) whether the State Government of Rajasthan has submitted a proposal for establishment of RAF battalion of CRPF in the State; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

### **ANSWER**

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

- (a) to (b): The location of Rapid Action Force (RAF) Battalions are decided based on requirement and on availability of land. So far 10 RAF Battalions have been established in the States of Delhi, Gujarat, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Telengana and Uttar Pradesh. Each RAF Battalions has a sanctioned strength of about 1300 personnel each.
- (c) to (d) A request has been received from Government of Rajasthan for establishment of a new RAF Battalion at Jaipur. The State Government has been requested to clarify whether land required for establishment of RAF Battalion will be provided free of cost.

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