

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.289**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 1ST DECEMBER, 2015/AGRAHAYANA 10,1937 (SAKA)

OBSERVATION POSTS OF BSF

289. SHRI G. HARI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has cleared a Rs. 400 crore proposal to fortify at least 3,000 BSF observation posts made of mud and thatched roof along the border with Pakistan in the Jammu region;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the observation posts and morchas located at zero point on the 197 km international border will be concretised to protect BSF personnel from sniper attacks and heavy mortar firing; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): During 2011, Government had approved construction of 179 km composite bund, metalled road and naka-cum-machan-cum-fighting bunkers including land acquisition of 135 feet wide strip along the International Border(IB) in Jammu region at an estimated cost of Rs.341 crore. This project also includes fortifying of existing Observation Posts.
