## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3701 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE $22^{ND}$ DECEMBER, $2015/PAUSHA\ 1$ , $1937\ (SAKA)$

## TERRORIST ATTACKS THROUGH AERIAL ROUTE

3701. SHRI KIRTI AZAD:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Border Security Force (BSF) is equipped to intercept and counter any possible terrorist attacks perpetrated using aerial route;
- (b) if yes, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps being taken to ensure that aerial interception capabilities are available with the BSF?

## **ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIBHAI PARATHIBHAI CHAUDHARY)

(a) to (c): The Border Security Force (BSF), being a land border guarding force does not have the capability to intercept and counter any terrorist attack being attempted using the aerial route. However, the Indian Air Force is responsible for the security of Air Space and is well equipped to counter any such threat.

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