GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.*224 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 10TH MAY, 2016/VAISAKHA 20, 1938 (SAKA)

BORDER MANAGEMENT

*224. SHRI NINONG ERING:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether adequate measures have been taken by the Government to secure effective management of Indian borders particularly in Arunachal Pradesh and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has set up/proposes to set up border haats along the Indo-Myanmar and Indo-Bangladesh borders and if so, the details thereof, location/State-wise;

(c) whether the border haats are likely to help in maintaining peace and tranquility in the border regions and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the concrete steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to curb insurgency and trafficking problems as well as to maintain peace and security in the border regions including Indo-Myanmar border region?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.*224 FOR 10.05.2016.

(a) & (b): The Government has adopted a multi-pronged strategy to secure effective management of Indian borders, curb insurgency as well as to maintain peace and security in the border regions which inter-alia includes, area domination, round the clock surveillance & patrolling on the borders, establishment of Border Out Posts (BOPs), construction of border roads, upgradation of intelligence set up and close interaction with local populace. Wherever required and possible on respective borders, fence and flood light works are taken up. Force multipPliers and High-Tech surveillance equipment to enhance the surveillance of border have also been introduced. Further, deployment of technological solutions on Pilot basis has been approved. Adequate measures are taken to curb human trafficking like issuing advisories to State Governments, sensitizing law enforcement agencies and creating awareness among border population.

(c) & (d): Four border haats, two in Meghalaya and two in Tripura are functional at present along Indo-Bangladesh border. Government of

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India and Bangladesh have agreed to set up six more border haats-two in Tripura and four in Meghalaya. There are no border haats at Indo-Myanmar border. The establishment of border haats is expected to promote the well being of the people dwelling in areas across the borders of the two countries, which in turn will maintain peace and tranquility in the border regions.

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