

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.256**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 26TH APRIL, 2016/VAISAKHA 6, 1938 (SAKA)

TUNNEL ALONG INDO-PAK BORDER

256. SHRI P. NAGARAJAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Border Security force has recently detected a tunnel from Pakistan which was dug 10 feet below the ground near a BSF post in R.S. Pora along the 198-km International Border in the Kathua and Akhnoor areas of Jammu; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

ANSWER

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

(a): A tunnel was detected at a depth of 5-6 feet under the ground at a distance of about 70 feet from Border Security fence inside Indian territory near BP No. 830 in Jammu Frontier during anti tunneling exercise on 3rd March 2016. On further digging of the suspected area, it was found that one end progressed towards Pakistan side.

(b): A protest has been lodged in this regard with Sector Commander, Sialkot, Pakistan Rangers and also DG, Pakistan Rangers have been approached for joint verification of underground tunnel.
