

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO.*96
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 11TH DECEMBER, 2013/AGRAHAYANA 20, 1935
(SAKA)
FENCING OF INDO-BANGLADESH BORDER IN TRIPURA

***96.** SHRI ISHWARLAL SHANKARLAL JAIN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has made any fences, Line of Control/defence along the 856 Kilometre long Indo-Bangladesh international border in Tripura to stop extremists from entering into the country ;
- (b) whether the security forces guarding there have taken any measures or steps to tackle the extremists; and
- (c): the number of extremist arrested and killed by security forces in their action to stop them from using our soil?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN)**

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF THE RAJYA SABHA
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(a) The Border Security Force (BSF) is guarding 4096.70 km of the Indo-Bangladesh Border which includes 856 km of the border in the State of Tripura. The Government has sanctioned construction of 848 Km of border fence in the State of Tripura. Fencing work along stretch of 775.71 km has been completed out of the approved length.

(b) Steps taken by the Government to prevent extremists from entering the country are as under :-

- i) Effective domination of the borders by carrying out round the clock surveillance of the borders, viz; patrolling, laying nakas, establishing of observation posts all along the International Border (IB) and strengthening of existing defence of the Border Out Posts (BOPs).
 - ii) Fencing along the Indo-Bangladesh Border.
 - iii) Installation of border Floodlights along the Indo-Bangladesh Border.
 - iv) Introduction of Force multipliers and Hi-Tech Surveillance equipments such as Long Range Reconnaissance & Observation system (LORROS), Battle Field Surveillance Radars (BFSR), Hand Held Thermal Imager (HHTI), Night Vision Device/Goggles (NVDs/NVGs) etc.
 - v) Up-gradation of intelligence network and co-ordination with the agencies concerned.
 - vi) Conduct of special operations along the border.
 - vii) Frequent visit to the border by unit Commandants and senior officers to supervise effective domination of the border.
 - viii) Better coordination with Border Guards Bangladesh including simultaneous coordinated patrol in these areas.
- (c) During the current year, five (05) extremists have been arrested by the security forces.