

Infiltration of foreign trained terrorists

346. SHRI K.M. KHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any information to the effect that around 750 Pakistan and Afghan trained men have succeeded to infiltrate into India;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what steps are being taken by Government to prevent such dangerous activities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO:) (a) and (b) It is difficult to assess the exact figures of infiltration, but some infiltration is continuing to take place into J and K from across the border.

(c) To contain terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir, the Government has adopted a multi-pronged approach which includes, *inter-alia*, strengthening border management to check infiltration, pro-active action against terrorists in the hinterland, gearing up intelligence machinery, greater functional integration through an institutional frame work of Operation Groups and Intelligence Groups of the UHQ at all levels, improved technology, weapons and equipments for security forces.

Steps are being taken to flush out terrorists and curb their activities including maintaining close vigil through multitiered deployment on the border/LoC establishment of naka parties and pickets in depth or deeper, areas to check infiltration/exfiltration, intensive patrolling etc.