

Adverse impact of L-e-T's threat on tourist traffic

2976. SHRI GOVINDRAO WAMANRAO ADIK:

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether tourist traffic was adversely affected following L-e-T's and other terrorist's threats to security of National Defence College, National Counter Terrorism Centre and other elite security and educational establishment;

(b) if so, which of the Defence and Security institutions received threats from the terrorist outfits this October - November, 2009; and

(c) the Government's response and reaction to meet and counter terrorists' threat to national security?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) to (c) The information is being compiled and would be laid on the Table of the House.

Fast track measures to revamp coastal security

2977. SHRI A. ELAVARASAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has proposed any fast track measures to revamp the entire coastal security architecture after 26/11 terror attack in Mumbai;

(b) whether our country's 7,516 kms coastline still has gaping holes and the critical coastal radar surveillance network and the comprehensive chain of AIS stations still exist only on paper;

(c) whether all the 15 new proposed coastal stations will come up only in 2012 and only 42 out of 204 patrol boats promised to State marine forces have been delivered so far; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by Government to implement all the approved projects in a time-bound manner?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) After Mumbai incidents of 26/11, Government has accorded highest priority to coastal security and an integrated approach is being adopted for further strengthening of coastal security. The entire coastal security scenario of the country has been thoroughly reviewed in several high level meetings in Government of India. A number of important decisions/initiatives have been taken, which are outlined below.

The intelligence sharing mechanism has been streamlined through creation of Joint Operation Centers (JOCs) and multi-agency coordination mechanism. The coastal surveillance and patrolling has been enhanced by Indian Navy and Coast Guard. Regular joint exercises are