

(b) whether it is a fact that less than one third of the total of international border land is fenced till date;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the time by when the entire international border land is likely to be fenced;

(d) whether Government proposes to install satellite sensor on borders to prevent intrusions; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN) : (a) to (c) India shares 4096.7 km. of its land border with Bangladesh. Indo-Bangladesh border is characterised by dense population till Zero line, riverine and water-logged area; forest and hilly terrain, which is not feasible for fencing.

Government has sanctioned 3436.59 km. of fencing on Indo-Bangladesh border. By January, 2010, 2079.39 km of fencing has been completed. The balance work is going on.

Due to ground difficulties like delay in land acquisition cases in some patches, protest from Bangladesh for fencing within 150 yards from Zero line and other public related issues, the fencing could not be completed within the stipulated time. However, all efforts are being made for early completion of the fencing, which may take further two years.

(d) and (e) There is no proposal for installing satellite sensors on Indo-Bangladesh border. However, high-tech surveillance equipment such as Hand-Held Thermal Imagers, Battle Field Surveillance Radars and Night Vision Devices have been deployed to act as force multiplier for effective border management.

Security arrangements at Haridwar Mela

225. SHRI BHARATKUMAR RAUT : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) what security arrangements have been made by Central Government for ongoing Kumbh Mela at Haridwar (Uttarakhand) in addition to arrangements made by State Government;

(b) whether the security forces deployed there are equipped to prevent any threat of terrorist attack to the Mela site;

(c) whether the sanitary, lodging and other arrangements are sufficient at the venue of this national event; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN) : (a) and (b) The security arrangements for the ongoing Mahakumbh have been

ensured by the State Government of Uttarakhand. However, the Central Government has provided all assistance required by the State Government in this regard. The security forces deployed at the Mahakumbh are adequate and equipped to prevent any terrorist attack.

(c) and (d) The logistics arrangements for the Mahakumbh viz., sanitation, lodging etc. are made by the State Government of Uttarakhand as per the projected requirements for this event and appear to be sufficient.

Traffic problem at Najafgarh, Delhi

226. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

- (a) whether Government is aware of frequent long traffic snarls at Najafgarh in New Delhi;
- (b) if so, whether any senior police officers has visited the place in 2009 to assess the pathetic condition of traffic;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) what remedial measures have been taken/proposed to be taken to ensure smooth flow of traffic particularly the one going/coming from satellite town like Gurgaon, Rohtak etc.; and
- (e) whether some by-pass around Najafgarh or alternative route is being considered so that traffic using Najafgarh a transit point may be prevented from entering Najafgarh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS : (a) to (c) Yes Sir. Government is aware of the traffic problems at Najafgarh, Delhi. Senior police officer of Delhi Police have visited the area and taken cognizance of the problems. Problems in respect of infrastructure, road geometrics and encroachments on footpaths and roads have been identified and necessary measures have been taken to improve road geometrics at Dhansa More and Bahadur Garh T-Point to facilitate uninterrupted movement of traffic, besides regular and ongoing action to remove obstructions and encroachments on the roads in the area. However, there is no scheme for construction of some by-pass or alternate route to prevent traffic from entering Najafgarh.

Chinese intrusion

227. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

- (a) whether it is a fact that Chinese intruded into Indian territory by crossing Himachal Pradesh, J & K, North East Regions etc.;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has taken steps to provide protective wall or fence on our side to prevent intrusion; and