

Fencing along Indo-Bangladesh and Indo-Pak borders

2259. SHRI RAASHID ALVI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether fencing of borders between India and Bangladesh and India and Pakistan has been completed; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) and (b) Out of the sanctioned fencing of 3436 km along Indo-Bangladesh border, approximately, 2435 km of fencing has been completed. Similarly, along Indo-Pak border 1926 km of fencing has been completed against the sanctioned stretch of 2044 km.

Due to various constraints like delay in land acquisition, erection of fencing within 150 yards of international border, statutory clearances under Wild Life and Forest Act, public protest and factors like inundation of water in alignment of fencing in Gujarat, the project works have been affected.

The scheduled date for completion of the fencing projects is March, 2012.

Low outlay under MPF to Gujarat

2260. SHRI BHARATSINH PRABHATSINH PARMAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the outlay to the State of Gujarat under the Centrally sponsored scheme of Modernisation of Police Forces (MPF) is very low vis-a-vis previous years; and

(b) if so, the action taken by the Union Government for providing adequate funds for modernisation of police in Gujarat in view of State's strategic location on border?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) and (b) No, Sir. The year-wise details of Central funds released to Gujarat under MPF scheme during the last three years and the current financial year, 2010-11 is as follows: