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agency. Funds are released to the States, including Chhattisgarh, for coverage of habitations remaining to be covered. During 2004-05 an amount of Rs. 19.66 crore has been allocated and Rs. 9.83 crore already released to Chhattisgarh for implementation Of rural water supply schemes.

Complaints received by POTA review committee

*336. SHRI ARUN JAITLEY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of complaints received by the Central POTA Review Committee headed by Justice A. B. Sahariya;

(b) The number of complaints disposed off in favour of the complainants;

(c) the number of complaints rejected; and

(d) the number of complaints still pending?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) The Review Committee on POTA headed by Justice A.B. Saharya, has so far received 262 complaints.

(b) A total of 18 complaints have been disposed of by the Review Committee in favour of the accused persons.

(c) 33 complaints have been rejected and 10 other complaints have been otherwise disposed of for different reasons, by the Review Committee.

(d) A total of 201 complaints are still pending with the Review Committee for review.

Suicide attacks by Militants in J & K

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

(a) the details of suicide attacks by militants in Jammu and Kashmir on the security forces and civilians during the last three months and the number of casualties suffered by the security forces and others;

(b) whether Government have since traced the camps or hideouts where the human suicide bombs originate from, are prepared, trained and motivated; and

(c) the steps taken, with or without Pak co-operation, to eliminate their camps and centers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) Two suicide attacks were carried out by terrorists during the last three months (June to Aug 10) this year. The details are as under.

Date	Place	Target	Outfit	Security forces		Civilians		Terrorists	
				Killed	Injured	Killed	Injured	Killed	Injured
27.07.04	Hotel Lee	CRPF	Al-	05	02	—	—	02(FM)	—
	Ward near Nehru Park Dallake • Srinagar		Mansoorian						
04.08.04	Feroz Manzil Rajbagh	CRPF	-do-	09	08	—	—	01	—

(b) and (c) Analysis indicates that most of the suicide attacks are being carried out by Foreign Mercenaries (FM) dominated terrorist outfits bases across the border. Suicide attacks on security forces posts/establishment are known facets of the *modus operandi* of terrorists. The timing and place of occurrence of such attacks as well as ever changing hideouts have inbuilt element of surprise and, therefore, cannot always be anticipated. Security measures for countering suicide attacks have been enhanced to meet effectively similar eventualities in the future.

Government have called upon Pakistan to put an end to cross-border infiltration and permanently dismantle the infrastructure of support to terrorism in that country.

President Musharraf of Pakistan had in the Joint Press Statement of January 6, 2004 reassured that he would not permit any territory under Pakistan's control to be used to support terrorism in any manner. However, Pakistan has so far not taken any credible steps to dismantle the infrastructure of support to terrorism in that country on a permanent basis. Our concerns about the continuing existence of infrastructure of support to terrorism were made known to Pakistan during the Foreign Secretary

level talks held in New Delhi on June 27-28, 2004 and again during the Home Secretary level talks with Pakistan held in Islamabad on August 10-11,2004.

Besides diplomatic efforts, Government, Jointly with the State Government, have adopted a multi-pronged approach, to contain cross-border infiltration particularly in J & K, which includes, *inter-alia*, strengthening of border management and multi-tiered and multi-modal deployment along the International Border/LoC and near the ever changing infiltration routes, construction of Border fencing, improved technology, weapons and equipment for security forces, improved intelligence and operational coordination and synergising intelligence flow to check infiltration, as well as coordinated counter terrorism measures. The counter infiltration efforts are reviewed from time to time.

Electrification in Eastern States

*338. MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:
SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that power is one of the slowest **growing** infrastructure sector and only 43 per cent rural households have electricity,

(b) whether it is also a fact that Eastern States-Orissa, Bihar, Jharkhand, West Bengal, Chhattisgarh, Uttar Pradesh etc., are the least lighted; **and**

(c) if so, what is the action-plan of Government to speed up electrification in Orissa?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.M. **SAYEED**) (a) As **per** 2001 Census, 43.52% of rural households have electricity.

(b) The position of rural households electrification in these States is **as** follows:

Orissa	19.35%
Bihar	5.13%
Jharkhand	9.99%
West Bengal	20.27