

of this duration and the Ministry-wise status of correspondence with A, B and C regions according to annual programme issued in each meeting; and

(b) the details of the action taken with reference to each Ministry which did not undertake follow up action as prescribed in the annual programme in context to part (a) above?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI KIREN RIJJU): (a) Information is being collected.

(b) Online quarterly progress reports for the progress of various targets set in the annual programme issued by Rajbhasha Vibhag are called for from all the Ministries/ Departments through Information Management System(MIS) and the review of quarterly progress reports are sent online to the Ministries/Departments.

Border Security Grid

873. SHRI K.R. ARJUNAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has decided that the entire stretch of 3323 km border with Pakistan would be completely sealed by 2018;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that to achieve the above, Government is considering to formulate a time-bound action plan;

(d) whether it is also a fact that a border security grid will be formed based on suggestions from stakeholders in border areas; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI KIREN RIJJU): (a) to (c) The Government has decided to plug gaps in fencing along Indo-Pakistan Border by physical /non-physical barriers by December, 2018. Further, the action plans for the identified gaps in which physical & non-physical barriers are to be installed have been formulated.

(d) and (e) It has been decided to form Border Protection Grid (BPG) in States bordering with Pakistan. The Chief Secretaries of States concerned have been asked to formulate Standard Operating Procedure (SOPs) for functioning of BPG.