

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1010**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 28TH JULY, 2021/ SRAVANA 6, 1943 (SAKA)

SCHEME FOR STRENGTHENING OF SPECIAL FORCES

**1010. Lt.Gen. (Dr.) D. P. Vats (Retd.):
Shri Harnath Singh Yadav:
Shri Vijay Pal Singh Tomar:**

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has provided Special Infrastructure Scheme for upgradation and strengthening of special forces i.e. Special Operation Group and District Volunteer Force to tackle the present security scenario of the country with reference to recent arrest of several terrorists in Uttar Pradesh who were planning to execute serial blasts in Lucknow and other densely populated cities of the State; and

(b) whether Government is planning to modernise the police forces of the country, if so, whether any new guidelines have been issued to the State Governments in this regard to tackle alarming security situation in various States of the country?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI NITYANAND RAI)**

(a) and (b): As per Seventh Schedule of the Constitution of India, subjects of 'Police' and 'Public Order' are with the State Governments. However, the Government of India (GoI) has been supplementing the efforts of States through various schemes.

Modernization of police forces is a continuous and ongoing process. Government of India supplements the efforts of the State Governments

towards equipping and modernizing of their police forces, under the centrally sponsored scheme of 'Assistance to States for Modernisation of Police'. The guidelines of this scheme were issued on 13th December, 2017.

As a part of the umbrella scheme 'Modernisation of Police Forces', "Special Infrastructure Scheme (SIS), including construction of 250 Fortified Police Stations in the Left Wing Extremism (LWE) affected States" is being implemented by the Government of India for upgradation and strengthening of Special Forces (SFs)/ Special Intelligence Branches (SIBs) of the States for LWE operation and construction of 250 Fortified Police Stations in LWE affected areas.
