

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOME AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:299  
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INSURGENCY OPERATIONS IN J & K  
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**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether it has been proposed to set up a unified headquarter of security agencies involved in the counter insurgency operations in J&K;
- (b) if so, whether such set-up would be constituted on the lines of the one presently operating in Assam/NE; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONS AND PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK)

(a): No, Sir. However, in order to coordinate counter terrorism efforts in J&K, two Unified Headquarters (UHQs) at Srinagar and Jammu have been constituted by the State Government. As per the orders currently in force the Chief Minister J&K is the Chairman of both the UHQs and the two General Officers Commanding XV and XVI Corps as ex-officio Security Advisors to the Government of J&K are its members along with other representatives of para-military agencies, State intelligence and civil administration. Recently the composition and working of the two UHQs was reviewed by the Government and it was decided that there is no need for any change and that the existing system should continue to function in its present form.

(b)&(c): Question does not arise.