

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOME AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:11  
ANSWERED ON:02.12.2003  
TERRORIST OUTFITS  
MOHAN RAWALE

**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government are aware of the new Terrorist outfit `Muslim Defence Force` which is active in the country especially in the States of Maharashtra and Gujarat and is taking part in terrorist activities;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether in the recent bomb blasts in Mumbai involvement of said outfit has been noticed; and
- (d) if so, the measures taken by the Government to contain the activities of `Mauslim Defence Force` in the country?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SWAMI CHINMAYANAND)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 11 FOR 2.12.2003 REGARD TERRORIST OUTFITS`.

(a), (b) & (c): The Government is aware of the activities of the agents provocateur using the banner of Muslim Defence Force. Some of these elements have been noticed to be involved in terrorist activities in the States of Andhra Pradesh and Maharashtra. However, their involvement has not so far come to notice in the recent twin bomb blasts that took place in Mumbai on August 25, 2003.

(d): The Central and State security and intelligence agencies have been taking all possible measures to curb the activities of disruptionist elements.