

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3359
ANSWERED ON:16.03.2000
DEPLOYMENT OF ARMED FORCES FOR CIVIL WORKS
RAGHUNANDAN LAL BHATIA

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether armed forces are deployed for civilian works very frequently ;
- (b) if so, the reasons and details of such deployments during 1999-2000 till date, State-wise;
- (c) whether any policy review is being made in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a), (c) & (d) : In addition to their primary duty of defending the country against external aggression, the Armed Forces are called upon to render assistance to Civil Authorities against specific request. The guiding principle in this regard has been that assistance by Armed Forces is provided when civil authorities are not in a position to cope with the situation from within their own resources. There is no proposal to effect any change in this principle.

(b) : The required information is given in the statement attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (B) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3359 FOR ANSWER 16/03/2000

DETAILS OF ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY ARMED FORCES TO CIVIL AUTHORITIES DURING 1999-2000.

ARMY

Sl.No. State Dates Purpose

1. Bihar 06/03/1999 Assistance in antisabotage checks during VVIP visits.

2. Delhi 30/08/1999 -do-
21/11/1999
03-07/11/1999

3. Karnataka 17/05/1999 -do-
03-04/02/2000
04/03/2000

4. Meghalaya 21-22/01/2000 -do-

5. Punjab 09/01/1999 -do-
20-21/02/1999
08/04/1999
12/05/1999
19/08/1999
06/02/2000

6. Tamil Nadu 01-02/01/1999 -do-
20-21/03/1999
25/05/1999
27-29/12/1999

- 7 U.P. 10-11/01/1999 -do-
10/06/1999
26/12/1999
8. W.Bengal 27-28/01/1999 -do-
12/02/1999
20-21/05/1999
27-29/09/1999
20/01/2000
26-27/02/2000
9. U.P. 29-30/03/1999 Rescue & Relief Work during earthquake.
15-26/01/2000 Maintenance of essential Services during U.P.
power strike.
10. Orissa 27 Oct.- 10 Dec. Rescue & Relief Work in the aftermath of the
1999 Cyclone in Orissa.

AIR FORCE

Sl.No. States Sorties Purpose

1. Orissa 409 Rescue & Relief Work in natural calamities.
2. U.P. 162 -do-
3. Gujarat 13 -do-
4. M.P. 82 -do-
5. J & K 16 -do-
6. Arunachal Pr. 104 -do-
- 7 Rajasthan 07 -do-
8. Mizoram 04 -do-
9. Himachal Pr. 02 -do-

NAVY

Sl.No. States Dates Purpose

1. Orissa 29th Oct. to 13th Nov.1999 Rescue & Relief Work in the aftermath of the
Cyclone in Orissa.
2. Kerala 15 occasions in Diving assistance.
various Distts.
3. M.P. 10/08/1999 -do-
4. Gujarat 17,18-22/01/2000 Maintenance of Essential Services during Port
(Kandla/Vadinar) & Dock Workers` strike.
5. Goa (Murmogao) -d0- -do-
6. Maharashtra -d0- -do-
(Mumbai/JNPT)

7 Karnataka -d0- -do-
(New Mangalore)

8. Kerala (Kochi) -d0- -do-

9. T.N.(Tuticorn/
Chennai) -d0- -do-

10. Andhra Pr.(Vizag) -d0- -do-

11. Orissa(Paradip) -d0- -do-

12. W.B. (Haldia/
Diamond Harnour) -d0- -do-