

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2501
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RAISING OF BATTALION IN PMF
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a): whether the existing strength of paramilitary forces/police force is adequate to counter the prevailing circumstances particularly terrorism in the country;
- (b) if so, the reasons for the failure of the Government in minimizing the untoward incidents happening in the country particularly terrorist attacks;
- (c) whether the Government has assessed the need to enhance the paramilitary forces in the country;
- (d) if so, whether the Government is considering to raise a 300 battalion paramilitary force to counter terrorism; and
- (e) if so the details thereof alongwith the action taken in this regard?

Answer

(MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS) (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a): Based on operational requirements to deal with internal security situations and terrorist activities, the Central Government reviews the requirement of forces from time to time .

(b): Does not arise.

(c) to (e): Raising of 209 Battalions of CPFs (including 50 India Reserve Battalions and 30 Battalions of Rashtriya rifles) were approved by the Government in the year 2000. In addition, raising of 20 Battalions of SSB and 25 India Reserve Battalions has been approved.