

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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SECRETARY LEVEL TALKS WITH BANGLADESH
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) The details of issues discussed and decisions taken during recent Secretary level talks held between India and Bangladesh;
- (b) Whether the Government has raised the matters related to the hiding of terrorists, involved in Mumbai local trains blast cases, in Bangladesh and the use of their territory as a passage to come to India; and
- (c) If so, the reaction of the Government of Bangladesh thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY)

(a) : The issues discussed in the latest Home Secretary Level talks held between India and Bangladesh in August 2006 at Dhaka, inter alia included Land Boundary Agreement 1974, security related issues, peaceful management of border, cross-border movement and bilateral treaties.

(b)&(c) :During these talks Indian side pointed out that recent terrorist incidents in India had revealed clear links with Bangladeshi individuals/outfits. This was however, denied by the Bangladesh side.

It was agreed that terrorism posed a threat to both countries and that there was a need to cooperate closely to tackle this menace.