

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:113

ANSWERED ON:06.03.2007

MARITIME BORDERS

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has decided to keep a close watch on the maritime borders of the country ;
- (b) if so, the details of the allocations made to the State Governments for purchase of speed boats and setting up of additional police stations along the coastline during the last three years, State-wise;
- (c) whether the allocation has been fully utilised; and
- (d) if so, the extent to which crimes at coastline have been checked?

Answer

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

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (d) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 113 REGARDING MARITIME BORDERS FOR ANSWER ON 06.03.2007

The Government has approved Coastal Security Scheme to enhance infrastructure for patrolling and surveillance of coastal areas, to be implemented over a period of 5 years beginning from the year 2005-06 allocating Rs. 151 crore for recurring expenditure. Details of assistance given to the coastal States and UTs under the Coastal Security Scheme during the year 2005-06 and 2006-07 are given below:

Name of State/UT Approved Outlay Release in 2005-06 Release in 2006-07

(Rs.in lakhs) (Rs.in lakhs) (Rs in Lakhs)

Gujarat	5842.60	301.00	475.40
Maharashtra	4092.60	219.20	Nil
Goa	1653.50	37.05	65.40
Karnataka	2711.90	61.75	Nil
Kerala	4356.00	98.80	21.80
Tamilnadu	4408.00	309.20	Nil
Andhra Pradesh	3267.00	74.10	130.80
Orissa	2722.50	83.37	Nil
West Bengal	3353.40	119.10	84.80
Pondicherry	544.50	NIL	44.50
Lakkshadweep	936.80	NIL	76.00
Daman & Diu	668.35	Nil	38.35
A&N Islands	2604.00	Nil	100.04
Total	37161.15	1303.57	1037.09

Since the Scheme is to be implemented over a period of 5 years, it is anticipated that the funds allocated will be fully utilized during this period. The implementation of the Scheme has started only recently and the impact on coastal security is already being felt with this implementation.