

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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MADRASAS ON BORDER AREAS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Madrasas located along the Indo-Nepal Border are getting huge financial assistance from countries like Saudi Arabia, Iran, Bangladesh, Kuwait and Pakistan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether illegal infiltrations and migrants in the bordering areas have drastically changed the population ratio there which is detrimental to the national security of the country; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken so far by the Government to check such activities?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): Unconfirmed reports indicate that some Madrasas located in areas on the Indian side of the Indo-Nepal border have been receiving funds from organizations in foreign countries.
- (c) & (d): As there is a visa-free regime between India and Nepal under which the nationals of the two countries can freely cross the border, there is no question of illegal infiltration/migration in these areas.