

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS  
RAJYA SABHA  
QUESTION NO 1185  
ANSWERED ON 26.07.2017**

**Pakistani internet services along Indo Pak border in Rajasthan**

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

(a) whether Pakistani internet services in Barmer, Jaisalmer and Sriganganagar districts of Rajasthan along the Indo-Pak border is posing biggest threat to the security of the country and Pakistan is alluring youths of bordering areas to connect to Pakistani sites and network through whatsapp, Facebook and internet; and

(b) whether post offices, Patwari, ex-Servicemen, police stations along the bordering areas and the journalists etc. are at the target of ISI, if so, the steps taken by Government to check the activities of ISI and the Pakistani internet service?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS  
(SHRI KIREN RIJJU)

(a) Spill over frequency of Pakistani mobile network into Indian Territory has been observed in few locations along the Indo-Pakistan bordering areas in Barmer, Jaisalmer and Sriganganagar districts of Rajasthan. However, no instance of use of Pakistani internet services in the bordering areas to access Whatsapp, Facebook etc has come to notice so far.

(b) Pakistani Intelligence agencies including ISI continue their efforts to gather intelligence regarding deployment/ movement of Armed Forces along the Indo-Pakistan Border in the states of Rajasthan, Punjab and Gujarat.

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Pakistani Intelligence agencies used to call up officials of Post Offices, Railways, State Revenue (Patwaris), Schools, security personnel and public representatives (Sarpanch), etc., by impersonating themselves as senior defence and other district administration officers to collect information of their interest. In this regard, officials/ employees having access to sensitive information are regularly sensitized not to inadvertently pass information to anyone without verifying their identity. Moreover, the matter of spillover signals across the border has been taken up by the Government at bilateral and multilateral forum.

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