GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 6123

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 11TH APRIL, 2017/ CHAITRA 21, 1939 (SAKA)

CROSS BORDER SMUGGLING

6123. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH: SHRI P.K. BIJU:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been reports of cross border smuggling of weapons cache concealed in cavities of trucks;

(b) if so, whether the Government intends to fast track procurement of full body truck scanners to be put to use at checkpoints; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the scanners are likely to be made operational?

ANSWER

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

(a): No reports of cross border smuggling of weapon cache concealed in

cavities of trucks along the borders have come to the notice of the

Government.

(b) & (c): The Government is procuring five numbers of Full Body Truck Scanners (FBTS) for Integrated Check Posts (ICPs) at Attari (Indo-Pak Border), Petrapole (Indo-Bangladesh Border), Raxaul (Indo-Nepal Border), Poonch-Chakkanda-bagh (Indo-Pak Border) and Uri-Salamabad (Indo-Pak Border) in accordance with the laid down procedure. The Govt. had issued a Global Tender Enquiry for procurement of these five numbers of FBTS. It has also sought various clearances from the respective State Governments and other nodal agencies.

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