GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS RAJYA SABHA QUESTION NO 3093 ANSWERED ON **29.03.2017**

Espionage rackets of ISI

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

(a) the details of espionage rackets of ISI busted in the country during last one year, State-wise along with particular reference to Madhya Pradesh;

(b) the details of persons arrested in connection with ISI spying rackets, State-wise; and

(c) the details of steps Government has taken to check ISI from alluring the youths of the country? **ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR)

(a) & (b): As per the available information during the course of neutralization of Pak espionage modules for the year 2016 & 2017 (till 22.03.2017), 33 agents were arrested/detected in spying activities for Pak backed intelligence agency, ISI. The details are as under:

Year Espionage agents arrested / detected Rajasthan Punjab Gujarat Uttar Pradesh Jammu & Kashmir Delhi 2016 09 06 02 01 06 04 2017 (till 22.03.2017) 05 - - - -

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In addition one Officer of Pakistan High Commission was detected for involvement in espionage activities in October, 2016. Police Head Quarters Madhya Pradesh has informed that a case has been registered in STF/ATS Police Station Bhopal MP Cr. No. 02/17 u/s 122,123 IPC, 3.6 Indian Wireless Telegraph Act 1933 & Section 4, 20, 25 of Indian Telegraph Act 1855 dated 6th February, 2017 in which suspected espionage linkages with Pakistan are being investigated.

(c): The Government has adopted a multipronged strategy for development of youths with focus on educational empowerment, area development, economic empowerment, women empowerment, development of vulnerable communities and strengthening of their institutions. The Government has also geared up the Intelligence machinery to interdict Pakistani agents in close interaction and coordination between different agencies of the Centre and the State Governments.