

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
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Lack of border floodlighting along India Bangladesh Border

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

(a) whether Government is aware that 628 kilometres of India-Bangladesh Border (IBB) is not floodlit;

(b) the measures taken by Government to fast track the floodlighting project along the India-Bangladesh Border;

(c) whether Government has considered providing long-range night vision equipment to border outposts, if so, the details thereof, if not, reasons therefor; and

(d) the details of other measures taken by Government to improve the night visibility for border security personnel?

ANSWER

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

(a): The total sanctioned length of Border Floodlight along Indo-Bangladesh Border is 2617 km, out of which 2241.03 km has been completed and work in 171.33 km is in progress. Work in remaining 204.6 km is pending due to land acquisition etc.

(b): In order to complete the project expeditiously, the progress is reviewed at all levels including at highest levels.

(c): & (d): Adequate number of Hand Held Thermal Imagers (HHTI) and other long-range night vision equipment have been provided to Border Security Force personnel to improve the night vision visibility.
