

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS  
RAJYA SABHA  
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Setting up of new ICPs

522            Shri N. Gokulakrishnan

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to set up 13 new Integrated Check Posts (ICPs) to encourage India's engagements with its neighbours belonging to SAARC region;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that putting in place systems that are able to interdict such elements while facilitating legitimate trade and commerce are among the principle objectives behind setting up the new ICPs; and

(d) whether it is also a fact that at the same time, the borders need to be secured against interests hostile to the country?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) & (b): Yes Sir. The Government has already setup and operationalised five Integrated Check Posts (ICPs) at Attari (Punjab), Agartala (Tripura), Petrapole (West Bengal), Raxaul (Bihar) and Jodbani (Bihar). Government has also approved setting up of ICPs at Moreh (Manipur) and Dawki (Meghalaya).

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Decision to put up more ICPs is taken based on volume of trade, number of passengers, potential for future growth of passengers and cargo traffic, etc. Such decisions are taken by Government after extensive inter-ministerial consultations and analysis with the aim to improve bilateral trade, relations and enhance security.

(c) & (d): The Government has established the Land Ports Authority of India under the LPAI Act, 2010 with the objective to put in place systems which address security imperatives and for the development and management of facilities for cross border movement of passengers and goods at designated points along the International borders of the Country.

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