

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.284**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 1ST DECEMBER, 2015/AGRAHAYANA 10,1937 (SAKA)

MYANMAR BORDER

284. SHRIMATI K. MARAGATHAM:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is true that the Government has directed the Border Security Force to man Myanmar Border;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether Assam Rifles has not proved effective in stopping smuggling or crossing over of insurgents;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof;**
- (e) whether the Government proposes to hand over manning of border with Myanmar to BSF permanently; and**
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

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

(a) to (f): No Madam, Government has not directed the Border Security Force to man Indo-Myanmar border. Indo-Myanmar border is characterized by hilly terrain, dense jungles and water bodies which runs along the States of Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Manipur and Mizoram. There exists a free movement regime upto 16 KM in India along Indo-Myanmar border which makes the border porous. Assam Rifles, the Border Guarding Force on Indo-Myanmar Border, has adopted multi-pronged approach to curb smuggling and crossing over of insurgents by patrolling, sharing of intelligence and conduct of joint operations, liaison with police, intelligence agencies & local Government agencies and using surveillance equipments. Assam Rifles has apprehended arms dealers, drug peddlers and Myanmar nationals. Assam Rifles has also recovered arms & ammunitions and other contrabands.
