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Union Home Minister asks Pakistan why it is making green lush fields on both sides to red

The Union Home Minister, Shri Rajnath Singh has asked Pakistan why it is making green lush fields on both sides of the border into red. He was addressing after laying foundation stone of new Viewer's Gallery at Attari, Punjab yesterday, on the occasion of Golden Jubilee Celebrations of Border Security Force (BSF).

The Union Home Minister said that Pakistan is our neighbor and we want to have good relations with it. Shri Rajnath Singh while remembering former Prime Minister, Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee, said that he has extended friendship hand to Pakistan, but it has given us Kargil in reply. India as well as Pakistan has lost a lot of brave soldiers and general public, but finally India has emerged as victorious, he added. Shri Rajnath Singh said that even after Kargil, we have extended our friendship to Pakistan but it is not responding positively. The Union Home Minister remembered Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee's words that 'one can change friends but one cannot change neighbors'. Pakistan should think how long this terror activity will continue, he added.

Shri Rajnath Singh said that there is no need to create a sense of fear among minorities, we should instead instill confidence in them. Whether it is an attack on temple or mosque or any religious place whatever actions would be required under law that will be done, he added. The Union Home Minister said that government has chalked out a comprehensive plan for borders' development, borders will be strengthened so that no one can enter our land.

The Union Home Minister said that government has been successful in ensuring the release of 57 Indian fishing boats from Pakistan, and they will reach Porbandar on March 23, 2015. The government has decided to increase

the percentage of women in police & central armed forces to 33 percent, he added. Shri Rajnath Singh observed the camel safari which started at Bhuj, Gujarat on February 24, 2015 and felicitated women BSF jawans who have traveled 2300 kms to reach here.

The Chief Minister of Punjab, Shri Prakash Singh Badal also attended the programme.

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