## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2368

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE  $10^{\text{TH}}$  DECEMBER, 2024/ AGRAHAYANA 19, 1946 (SAKA)

**MODERNISATION OF POLICE FORCE** 

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the objectives of modernisation of police force along with details of financial outlay thereof; and
- (b) the steps taken to induct products developed by DRDO in CAPFs along with the details thereof?

## **ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI NITYANAND RAI)

(a):

I) State Police Forces

Modernization of police forces is an ongoing and continuous process. 'Police' and 'Public Order' are State subjects as per the seventh Schedule of the Constitution. It is the responsibility of the State Governments to develop the police infrastructure. However, the efforts of the States for equipping and modernizing their police forces have been supplemented by the Central Government under the scheme of "Assistance to States & UTs for Modernization of Police (ASUMP)"

[erstwhile scheme of "Assistance to States for Modernization of Police"].

The objective of the scheme is to equip the State/UT Police Forces adequately through development of relevant infrastructure. The focus of the scheme is to strengthen police infrastructure at cutting edge level by equipping the police stations with the required modern technology, weaponry, communication equipment etc. along with construction of Police Stations in all the States/UTs. Further, it includes mobility and construction of other police infrastructure including housing, but only for specific areas.

An overall outlay of Rs. 4846 crore under the scheme of "Assistance to States & UTs for Modernization of Police (ASUMP)" has been approved for five years during the period from 2021-22 to 2025-26.

## II) Central Police Forces

Modernization Plan-IV with total financial outlay of Rs.1523 Crore for the period from 01.01.2022 to 31.03.2026 has been approved for Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs) [ i.e. Assam Rifles, Border Security Force, Central Industrial Security Force, Central Reserve Police Force, Indo-Tibetan Border Police, National Security Guard and

Sashastra Seema Bal ]. Through this plan, CAPFs are equipped with latest weapons, surveillance and communication equipment, specialized vehicles, protective gears etc. to enable them to perform important tasks such as guarding the borders and maintaining internal security. This plan is helping to bridge the gap between the existing inventory / technology held by CAPFs and the latest appropriate state of the art technology in view of the current security scenario across the country.

(b): A methodology for smooth induction of Defence Research & Development Organization (DRDO) developed products in CAPFs has been devised in collaboration between Ministry of Home Affairs and DRDO. Through this, a number of items like Corner Shot Weapon System for 9mm Pistol, 40mm Under Barrel Grenade Launcher (UBGL) ammunition, Joint Venture Protective Carbine (JVPC), Multi-Mode Hand Grenade, Anti-Terrorist Vehicle (ATV) etc. have been introduced in the forces. DRDO is also developing Hand Held Ground Penetrating radar (HH-GPR), Vehicle Mounted Ground Penetrating Radar, Foliage Penetrating Radar etc. for CAPFs.

Induction of DRDO developed items /technologies in CAPFs has been further simplified by rationalizing the existing instructions.

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