1819. SHRI AMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that ISIS has started pursuing a nefarious game plan to turn Muslim majority areas in J&K into a caliphate as per video issued by militant commander Zakir Musa and his Taliban-e-Kashmir unit;

(b) whether Government has made any assessment about the number of such militants in the Valley;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) how many Talibani militants have been eliminated so far and by when the entire group is likely to be neutralised?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR)

(a) to (c) As per the report, nothing has been established on ground that ISIS is operating in any part of Kashmir valley. However, Ansar Gazwat-Ul-Hind (AGUH) formed and led by Zakir Musa (former Hizbul-Mujahideen militant) has posted adverse materials on social media. There are reports that at present, Zakir Musa has support of less than 10 militants.

(d) No militant Tanzeem like Taliban is presently operating in any part of the Kashmir valley.

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