INTRODUCTION

India has 15,106.7 Km of land border and a coastline of 7,516.6 Km including island territories.

Creation of Department of Border Management

In pursuance of Group of Ministers recommendations on Border Management, the Department of Border Management was created in the Ministry of Home Affairs in January, 2004 to pay focused attention to the issues relating to management of international land border and coastline, strengthening of border policing & guarding, creation of infrastructure like roads, fencing & flood lighting on the borders and implementation of Border Area Development Programme. In the course of time, the D/o Border Management has also been given the responsibility of construction of Integrated Check Posts (ICPs) along the international borders. The Department of Border Management has two Divisions. The functions/ responsibilities of Border Management Division-II inter-alia includes the following:-

- All matters relating to coastal border including island territories of Andaman & Nicobar and Lakshadweep, etc.

- Creation of infrastructure in coastal belt to strengthen border policing, surveillance and patrolling in all coastal borders.
• Analysis of intelligence reports and sharing of actionable intelligence with concerned agencies relating to coastal security.

• Composite strategy defining complementary roles of State Governments and of the Centre in border management.

• Implementation of Border Area Development Programme.

• Development of Integrated Check Posts (ICPs) on the land borders of the country including matters relating to Land Ports Authority of India (LPAL).