GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3886

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 06TH APRIL, 2022/ CHAITRA 16, 1944 (SAKA)

MODEL RULES FOR PRIVATE SECURITY GUARDS

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Will the Minister of *Home Affairs* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has published Central Model Rules for regulating and training private security guards and agencies who/which are being engaged in various factories and establishments, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether any reforms were introduced in structure of private security agencies with a view to make it more professional, trustworthy and responsible, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any modifications have been suggested in the rules to ensure that private security guards are not exploited and are given decent working conditions, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a): Yes, Sir. The Government of India, in December, 2020, has notified the Private Security Agencies Central Model Rules, 2020 in supersession of earlier Central Model Rules of 2006 for regulating and training private security guards and agencies. The Central Government has also notified

model rules namely - Private Security Agencies (Private Security to Cash Transportation Activities) Rules, 2018 to strengthen private security agencies and to make them more accountable.

- (b): The new Model Rules accommodate changes in the ecosystem over the years and are aligned with the key visions of 'Digital India' and 'e-Governance'. The licensee of private security agency has to successfully undergo a training relating to the private security as prescribed by the Controlling Authority. To make private security agencies professional, trust-worthy and responsible, the new model rules provide syllabus for training of licensee to bring uniformity in licensee's training across the States. The training shall be for a minimum period of six working days which shall broadly include the following subjects, namely;-(i) Present security scenario, (ii) Role and Functioning of Private Security Agencies, (iii) Legal provisions, (iv) Management of Security Agencies, (v) Interface with public, Police and other departments and (vi) Private Security Personnel – DO's and DON'Ts (Conduct Rules).
- (c) and (d): Yes, Sir. To ensure that the private security guards are not exploited and are given decent working conditions, the new model rules have the following provisions:

- Maintaining an electronic register of their details, duty rosters, ESI &
 EPF numbers and Banks/Branch through which salary is paid.
- Pan-India validity of their training certificates.
- Increased validity of antecedents' verification certificate from 3 years to 5 years.
- Reduced time limit for completion of antecedents' verification from
 90 days to 15 days.
- Designations based on training completed and requirement of the job
 and it can be as per choice of private security agency provided that
 no agency shall adopt any of the ranks of the armed forces,
 paramilitary forces or State Police Forces.
