Proposal to build 15,000 bunkers in border villages awaits Centre's nod

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The state government today said a proposal for constructing over 15,000 community-type bunkers in border villages had been submitted to the Centre for approval.

While informing the Assembly, the government said the bunkers would be constructed in over 457 identified border villages in the Jammu region, worst hit by the recent ceasefire violations along the international border and the Line of Control.

On August 26, Minister of State for Home Sajjad Kichloo told the Assembly that 5,000 families had been displaced and over 20,000 others affected by the ongoing ceasefire violations by Pakistan in the Jammu region.

The minister had said instructions had been given to the local administration to construct at least one bunker in each village affected by Pakistan shelling.

"Pursuant to the announcement made by Chief Minister Omar Abdullah during his (recent) visit to the Suchetgarh constituency and on the basis of the proposal submitted by the Divisional Commissioner, Jammu, a proposal for construction of 15,062 community-type bunkers in 475 identified border villages for safety and security of these villagers has been submitted to the Union Ministry of Home affairs for approval," Kichloo today told the Assembly in a written reply to the queries by two Jammu-based MLAs.

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