



Beekeeping as Deterrent on Bangladesh Border

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Recently, the [Border Security Force \(BSF\)](#) has started using [beekeeping](#) as an innovative strategy to deter **cross-border infiltration** and **smuggling** activities from Bangladesh.

- BSF jawans have been trained to use **apiaries**—box-like structures with frames where bees build hives.
- The bees are used to create a **natural deterrent** along the border, as the **threat of bee stings** discourages smugglers and infiltrators from approaching the fence.
 - Since the installation of the apiaries, incidents of **fence-cutting and illegal entry** have almost **reached zero**.
- The initiative not only serves a **security purpose** but also provides jawans with the opportunity to learn **beekeeping**, which they can continue as a **source of income** after retirement.
- Bangladesh and India share a **4,096-kilometre border**, the **fifth-longest** in the world.
 - The border touches the Indian states of **Assam, West Bengal, Mizoram, Meghalaya, and Tripura**.



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