BEEFING UP HOMELAND SECURITY

THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT is walking the talk on Make in India products. The Union ministry of home affairs has awarded a contract worth Rs 120 crore to the diversified conglomerate Puni Lloyd. The order entails supplying and commissioning five Full Body Truck Scanners (FBTS). Punj Lloyd will be the first private sector company in India to install these X-Ray based FBTS at the country's borders, capable of detecting concealed arms, ammunition,

explosives, detonators, IEDs, narcotics and fake currency. Says Atul Punj, chairman Punj Lloyd, "This is our first order in homeland security and is extremely significant as it will enhance the national security of the country by fortifying our borders against illegal activities." Puni Lloyd will be manufacturing these scanners at its manufacturing facility at Malanpur, an industrial area in the Bhind district of Madhya Pradesh. - Ashish Sinha