

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3065**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 8TH AUGUST, 2023/ SRAVANA 17, 1945 (SAKA)

LEFT WING EXTREMISM

**3065. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:
SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SINGH:**

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any special policy to tackle the Left Wing Extremism (LWE);

(b) if so, the specific security measures taken by the Government to deal with LWE during the last five years;

(c) the details and the number of LWE incidents during the last five years, State-wise;

(d) whether a steep decline in LWE has been observed in terms of the number of affected districts, geographical regions and the incidences of violence in the said regions; and

(e) if so, the details thereof including Jharkhand?

ANSWER

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

(a to e)

(i) As per Seventh Schedule of the Constitution of India, subjects of Police and Public Order are with the State Governments. However, the Government of India (GoI) has been supplementing the efforts of States affected by Left Wing Extremism (LWE). To address the LWE menace

holistically, a National Policy and Action Plan to address LWE was approved in 2015. It envisages a multi-pronged strategy involving security related measures, development interventions, ensuring rights and entitlements of local communities etc.

On security front, the Gol assists the LWE affected State Government by providing Central Armed Police Forces battalions, training, funds for modernization of State police forces, equipment & arms, sharing of intelligence, construction of Fortified Police Stations etc; During last 05 years Rs. 4931 crore have been released for capacity building of the LWE affected states under the Special Infrastructure Scheme (SIS), Security Related Expenditure (SRE) and Special Central Assistance (SCA) schemes. Further, Rs. 764 crore have been given to Central Agencies for use of helicopters and addressing critical infrastructure in security camps in LWE affected areas, under the Assistance to Central Agencies for LWE Management (ACALWEM) Scheme.

On the development side, apart from flagship schemes, Government of India (Gol) has taken several specific initiatives in LWE affected States, with special thrust on expansion of road network, improving telecommunication connectivity, skilling and financial inclusion.

(ii) The resolute implementation of the policy has resulted in consistent decline in violence and constriction of geographical spread. In comparison to high of 2010 the LWE related violence incidents have reduced by 76% in 2022, while resultant deaths (Civilians + Security Forces) have reduced by 90% from all time high of 1005 in 2010 to 98 in 2022.

The number of Police Stations reporting LWE related violence has also come down significantly from 465 Police Stations of 96 districts in 2010 to 176 Police Stations across 45 districts in 2022. Decline in geographical spread is also reflected in the reduced number of districts covered under Security Related Expenditure (SRE) scheme. Number of SRE districts reduced from 126 to 90 in April 2018 and further to 70 in July 2021.

The year wise data of LWE related violence incidents and resultant deaths (Security Forces + Civilians), including Jharkhand, during last 05 years is given in annexure.

ANNEXURE

THE YEAR-WISE DETAILS OF LWE RELATED INCIDENTS

State	2018	2019	2020	2021		2022	
				V.P.M.	S.I.I.	V.P.M.	S.I.I.
Andhra Pradesh	12	18	12	8	3	3	0
Bihar	59	62	26	20	6	11	7
Chhattisgarh	392	263	315	188	67	246	59
Jharkhand	205	200	199	100	30	96	36
Kerala	0	3	2	0	0	0	0
Madhya Pradesh	4	5	16	15	4	16	5
Maharashtra	75	66	30	15	16	16	4
Odisha	75	45	50	11	21	16	6
Telangana	11	8	15	4	1	9	1
West Bengal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	833	670	665	361	148	413	118

*V.P.M.- incidents perpetrated by LWEs

**S.I.I.- Incidents initiated by SFs

From 2022, the data is maintained separately for number of incidents perpetrated by Left Wing Extremists & Incidents initiated by Security Forces.

**THE YEAR-WISE DETAILS OF RESULTANT DEATHS
(CIVILIANS + SECURITY FORCES) IN LWE RELATED VIOLENCE**

State	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Andhra Pradesh	3	5	4	1	1
Bihar	15	17	8	7	1
Chhattisgarh	153	77	111	101	61
Jharkhand	43	54	39	26	12
Kerala	0	0	0	0	0
Madhya Pradesh	0	2	2	3	2
Maharashtra	12	34	8	6	8
Odisha	12	11	9	3	11
Telangana	2	2	2	0	2
West Bengal	0	0	0	0	0
Total	240	202	183	147	98