GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7721 ANSWERED ON:16.05.2000 MILITANT SURRENDERED MADHAVRAO SCINDIA;TARUN GOGOI

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether insurgents belonging to various insurgent outfits, surrendered in various parts of the country during the last three years, till date:
- (b) if so, the details in this regard, State -wise;
- (c) whether any understanding for talks with these insurgent outfits has been worked out;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps being taken to secure an end to insurgency by the misguided youth?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

(SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a)&(b): The number of militants who have surrendered in the State of Jammu and Kashmir is as under:

1997 1998 1999

270 187 109

The number of information relating to North Eastern States is being obtained and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(c) to (e): Cease fire and peace talks with the NSCN(IM) are underway since 1 August 1997. Suspension of operations with the Bodo Liberation Tiger(BLT) was also announced earlier this year. NSCN (K) have also issued a Press Release offering a formal `cease fire` with the Government of India and political talks.

Steps taken by the Government to combat militancy include, interalia, deployment of Central Para Military Forces and Army, improved coordination and sharing of intelligence between different security forces modernisation/upgradation of State Police forces, reimbursement of security related expenditure; sanction of Special Central Assistance to the State Governments; declaration of the most seriously affected areas as 'disturbed areas' and notification of some militant/insurgent groups as 'unlawful associations'. The situation is also kept under watch and is reviewed from time to time for taking appropriate action.