

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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MAOISTS ACTIVITIES IN BORDER AREAS

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government is aware of the growing activities of the Maoists in the country particularly in the border areas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Union Government has drawn or proposes to draw the attention of the Nepalese Government towards the increasing incidents of Maoists` activities in border areas; and
- [d] if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

(a),(b),(c) & (d) Government of India is aware of and concerned about the implications of the growth of Maoist insurgency in Nepal because of the open border and the links between Nepal's Maoists and Left Wing Extremist and other groups in India. The Maoist insurgency in Nepal has also fuelled migration of Nepalese into our border States. His Majesty's Government of Nepal is aware of these concerns. Government of India has also taken steps to strengthen security in border areas and the Sashastra Seema Bal has intensified its patrolling along the India-Nepal Border.