

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:3

ANSWERED ON:23.02.2010

NAXAL VIOLENCE

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there are reports of large scale naxal violence in different parts of the country;
- (b) if so, the details of the naxal attacks reported and the number of persons including civilians and security personnel injured and killed alongwith the damage to property including communication network during the year 2009 and the current year, State-wise;
- (c) the number of districts affected by naxalism in the country, State-wise;
- (d) the details of the plans formulated for the development of naxal affected areas; and
- (e) the details of the steps taken to curb the spread of naxal activities in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 3 FOR 23.02.2010

(a) & (b) : The details are enclosed as Annexure "A" and "B".

(c) : On the basis of naxalite violence profile, 83 districts in 9 naxal affected States have been included under the Security Related Expenditure Scheme which is meant for reimbursing such expenditure incurred for anti-naxal operations by the States. A State -wise list of the districts is at Annexure "C".

(d): Special attention on planning, implementation and monitoring of development schemes is being emphasized in naxal affected areas. Schemes of Backward Districts Initiative replaced by the Backward Regions Grant Fund, National Rural Employment Guarantee Programme, having regard to the need to universalise this demand-driven programme for wage- employment, are in addition to various income-generating, public-utility and social-security schemes of other Ministries like Rural Development, Agriculture, Health and Family Welfare, Youth Affairs and Sports, Panchayati Raj and Tribal Affairs. Also a road requirement plan has been approved by the Government for construction of National Highways, State Highways and major district roads at a cost of Rs. 7300 crores in the Eleventh Five Year Plan.

A Task Force on Left Wing Extremism has been constituted under the Chairmanship of Cabinet Secretary on 12th February, 2008 to ensure coordinated efforts in development and security of naxal affected areas. A note on development schemes in 33 Left Wing Extremism (LWE) affected districts is at Annexure "D".

(e) : The Naxal situation is regularly reviewed by the Union Home Minister. In order to generate a degree of consensus among the affected States in the approach and strategy to counter the naxal problem, various institutional mechanisms have been established. These include, inter alia, Coordination Centre under Chairmanship of Union Home Secretary, a Task Force on inter-State coordination headed by Special Secretary, Internal Security. State Governments deal with the various issues related to naxal activities in the States. The Central Government supplements their efforts in several ways. These include deployment of Central paramilitary forces (CPMFs) and Commando Battalions for Resolute Action (CoBRA), sanction of India Reserve (IR) battalions, setting up of Counter Insurgency and Anti- Terrorism (CIAT) schools; modernization and upgradation of the State Police and their Intelligence apparatus under the Scheme for Modernization of State Police Force (MPF Scheme); re-imburement of security-related expenditure under the Security Related Expenditure (SRE) scheme, filling up critical infrastructure gaps under the scheme for Special Infrastructure in Leftwing Extremist affected States, assistance in training of State Police through Ministry of Defence, Central Police Organizations and Bureau of Police Research and Development; sharing of Intelligence, facilitating inter-State coordination, launching special intra-state and inter-state coordinated joint operations, assistance in community policing and civil actions and assistance in development works through a range of schemes of different Central Ministries.