

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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INTERNAL SECURITY

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the vision document of the Ministry inter alia envisages elimination of threat to internal security including militancy, insurgency and terrorism;
- (b) if so, the extent to which the objectives of the vision statement have been met specially in the context of the latest naxal attack in Chhattisgarh; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): The Vision Statement of the Ministry of Home Affairs provides that it will strive, inter-alia, to eliminate threats to internal security including militancy, insurgency and terrorism. Though 'public order' and 'police' are the responsibilities of States, Article 355 of the Constitution enjoins the Union to protect every State against external aggression and internal disturbance and to ensure that the government of every State is carried on in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution. In pursuance of these obligations, of the Ministry of Home Affairs continuously monitors the situation, issues appropriate advisories, extends manpower and financial support, guidance and expertise to the State Governments to counter threats to internal security.

The security situation in Kashmir and North Eastern States, in terms of incidents of violence and casualties has shown an improvement in 2009, as compared to 2008. However, in 2009, naxal violence has increased in terms of number of incident and casualties of civilians and SFs, as compared to 2008. In the current year, in a major naxal attack, 76 police personnel have been Killed by naxalites in Chhattisgarh. During the first 3 months of 2010 there has been an marginal increase the number of violent incidents in J&K. The Central Government is committed to deal with challenges posed to internal security of the country.