

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5067
ANSWERED ON:27.04.2010
HELICOPTERS FOR ANTI-TERRORIST OPERATIONS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has permitted the State Governments to hire Troop Carrier Helicopters for Anti- Terrorist operations;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the names of the States permitted so far;
- (c) the total funds allocated in this regard during each of the last three years Statewise including naxal affected States like Andhra Pradesh, Chhattisgarh and Orissa;
- (d) whether the Government has also any proposal to permit State Governments to hire these carriers on lease; and
- (e) if so, the time by which necessary permission is likely to be accorded?

Answer

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

(a) to (e): No Madam. However, permission has been granted to the States of Andhra Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Orissa and Maharashtra for hiring helicopter for anti-naxal operations. The expenditure incurred in this regard by the concerned States is reimbursed to them under Security Related Expenditure (SRE) scheme as and when they submit their claims to the Government of India.