

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOME AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5408  
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THREATS TO MINE WORKERS  
Panda Shri Prabodh

**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government is aware that the Maoists in Kirandul area of Chhattisgarh are terrorising innocent mine workers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI JITENDRA SINGH)

(a) to (c): It is a fact that the CPI (Maoist) have been indulging in violence in Kirandul area of district Dantewada, Chhattisgarh. This is affecting mining in the area including at Bailadila mines of National Minerals Development Corporation (NMDC). The Government of India has increased the strength of Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) at Bailadila Irons Ore Mines (BIOM), Kirandul (Chhattisgarh) and also taken up the matter with the State Government of Chhattisgarh to deploy adequate State Police Force to counter naxal violence effectively in the area.