

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOME AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3081

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AGRAHAYANA SAKA CEASEFIRE WITH MAOISTS

Abdulrahman Shri ;Gowda Shri D.B. Chandre;Panda Shri Prabodh;Satpathy Shri Tathagata;Venugopal Shri P.

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

- (a) whether the Government has initiated any dialogue with the maoist leaders for ceasefire in the country including West Bengal;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the response of the maoist leaders thereto?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): 'Police' and 'Public Order' are State subjects and action with respect to maintenance of law and order primarily lies in the domain of the State Governments concerned, who deal with the various issues related to naxalite activities in the States. The Central Government also closely monitors the situation and supplements the efforts of the State Governments over a wide range of schemes.

The State Governments have, from time to time, appealed to the Left Wing Extremists to abjure violence and hold talks with the Government on any issue of concern to them. The Central Government also welcomes such talks between the States and Left Wing Extremists provided Left Wing Extremists abjure violence and give up their so called "armed struggle" against the Indian State.