GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2121 ANSWERED ON:27.03.2012 ABUSE OF POWER BY SECURITY FORCES Bajwa Shri Partap Singh

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether cases of abuse of power by security forces in naxal affected States have been reported;
- (b) if so, the details of such cases reported during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has any proposal to amend the Standard Operating Procedure for security forces while dealing with naxals;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government intends to extend the Integrated Action Plan across all naxal affected districts in the country; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): Yes, Madam. There are some instances of complaints being made against security forces for alleged violation of human rights during anti-naxal operations. In such matters, the State Governments/Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs) initiate enquiries and if found guilty, departmental/criminal proceedings are launched against the erring personnel. According to data received from the National Human Rights Commission, during the years 2008-09 to 2011-12, monetary compensation has been awarded in 07 matters concerning violation of human rights in LWE affected states. The Government of India has issued instructions to all States Governments/CAPFs to adhere to the highest standards of human rights during anti-LWE operations and to strictly deal with aberrations, if any.
- (c) & (d): The standard operating procedures for security forces during anti-naxal operations are dynamic in nature and are constantly revised, based on changing tactics adopted by the LWE.
- (e) to (f): The Integrated Action Plan (IAP) currently covers 78 Selected Tribal and Backward districts which includes 66 LWE affected districts. There is no proposal to extend the IAP to all naxal affected districts.