

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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HOSTAGE MANAGEMENT POLICY
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to put in place a hostage management policy to deal with emergency situations;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the States have also asked the Centre to evolve such a policy;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto;
- (e) the number of hostage incidents that took place during the last three years; and
- (f) the steps taken by the Government to handle such situations?

Answer

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

(a) to (f): Law and Order being a state subject, such matters are dealt with directly by the State Governments concerned. The Central Government closely monitors the situation and coordinates and supplements their efforts. The Government of India is planning to consult the state Governments concerned to evolve a Standard Operating Procedure to deal with hostage situations arising out of frequent abductions by the CPI(Maoist).

The details of abductions by the CPI(Maoist) during last three years are annexed.