GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1681 ANSWERED ON:04.12.2012 INTEGRATED ACTION PLAN Singh Shri Dhananjay

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a): whether the Government is planning to discontinue/restructure the Integrated Action Plan (IAP) being implemented in affected districts in the country;
- (b): if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c): whether IAP has been successful in achieving its objective of bridging the development deficit in naxal affected districts in the country;
- (d): if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e): the details of the measure likely to be undertaken by the Government to ensure development in naxal affected areas, if IAP is scraped?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI R.P.N.SINGH)

(a) to (e): The Integrated Action Plan (IAP) for Selected Tribal and Backward Districts, which covers 82 districts has been currently approved for implementation upto 2012-13. The structure of the Backward Regions Grant Fund, including IAP, in the remaining four years (2013-14 to 2016-17) of the 12th Five Year Plan will be decided as per the finalization of the 12th Five Year Plan.

The IAP was initiated on 25.11.2010 with funds to be placed at the disposal of the Committee headed by the District Collector and consisting of the Superintendent of Police and the District Forest Officer. The District Level Committee is to draw up a plan consisting of concrete proposals for public infrastructure and services. The projects so selected are required to show results in the short term. A suitable form of consultation is to be ensured with the local Member of Parliament and other elected representatives including the Members of Panchayati Raj Institutions on the projects to be taken up under IAP.

In a short period of two years, an amount of Rs. 5260.00 crore has been released so far, of which expenditure of Rs.3343.58 crore has been reported i.e. about 63.57% (as on 27.11.2012). Out of about 93310 works taken up, 66146 works have been completed i.e. about 70.89%.

The IAP, in its present form is performing a useful task of bridging the development deficit and trust deficit in LWE affected areas. As mentioned earlier, the Scheme, in its current form will be implemented till the financial year 2012-13. A final view on continuation of the scheme during the remaining part of the 12th Five Year Plan will be taken after deliberation with all concerned.