

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOME AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2872  
ANSWERED ON:11.12.2012  
ESCAPE OF NAXALITES  
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**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the naxalites have ambushed a police van carrying prisoners and freed six naxals in the State of Jharkhand;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the reaction of the Union Government thereto?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (b): Yes, Madam, Six Maoists were freed on 9th November, 2012 by the CPI(Maoist) extremists while they were being brought back to Giridih jail after a scheduled court appearance. The incident occurred at a place near Ajdih More, PS Muffasil, district Giridih, Jharkhand. In the incident, three police personnel and one under trial prisoner were killed.

(c): The Government has directed all the LWE affected State governments, including the Government of Jharkhand to put in place urgent corrective steps in order to prevent recurrence of such incidents. The Central government has also requested the State Governments to carry out security audit of all the jails holding Maoists prisoners and enhance security wherever necessary. The state police and state Intelligence department of Jharkhand in cooperation with the Central Intelligence agencies are making all out efforts to apprehend the accused in this case.