GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1967 ANSWERED ON:01.12.2009 NAXAL DIKTATS Mutternwar Shri Vilas Baburao

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether it is a fact that the Maoist have issued a diktat to bus and taxi operators not to carry any security personnel in the affected States;
- (b) whether this has created a fear amongst the bus operators as well as other passengers in the naxalite affected areas; and
- (c) if so, the steps taken by the Government to further strengthen the security in the naxalite affected areas?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

- (a) & (b): It is a fact that CPI (Maoist) occasionally issue notices to private transport owners in their strongholds not to carry security personnel in their vehicles and threaten them of dire consequences in case of violations. Sometimes, the transport owners do keep their vehicles off the roads, especially during bandh calls by Maoists.
- (c): State Government deal with the various issues related to naxalite activities in the States. The Central Government supplements their efforts in several ways. These include modernization and upgradation of the State Police forces under various scheme; sharing of intelligence and facilitating inter-State coordination and assistance for integrated development of naxal affected areas through a range of schemes.