GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3611 ANSWERED ON:19.03.2013 TALKS WITH NAXALITES De Dr. Ratna

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has extended any offer of talks on the condition that the naxals abjure violence;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the response of the naxalites thereon?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): 'Police' and 'Public Order' are State subjects and action with respect to maintenance of law and order primarily lies in the domain of the State Governments concerned, who deal with the various issues related to Left Wing Extremist (LWE) activities in the States. The State Governments have from time to time appealed to the Left Wing Extremists, especially the CPI (Maoist), the most violent group, to abjure violence and hold talks on any issue of concern to them. But, no concrete results have emerged so far. The CPI (Maoist) Party believes in overthrowing the present system of Parliamentary democracy through 'Protracted People's War.' The Central Government would welcome talks between the State Governments concerned and the Left Wing Extremists, provided the latter abjure violence and give up their so called People's War against the Indian State.