

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOME AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

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NAXAL ATTACK ON URBAN CENTRES  
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**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether there is any input that naxals are planning to attack the urban centres; and  
(b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (b): No inputs are available to suggest threat of Maoist attacks in the urban areas. However, the banned CPI(Maoist) party has been making efforts to expand its activities in urban areas through overground front organizations. The members of such overground front organizations masquerade as 'activists' espousing causes which mainly complements and supplements the activities of the underground cadres in direct and indirect ways. The front organizations provide safe hideouts to armed cadres and also facilitate procurement of supplies etc. to the Maoist war machinery. They also initiate legal action on various issues to slow down the enforcement regime. They are also adept at dissemination of propaganda and disinformation to demonize the state and the security forces. Of late, it has also come to notice that members of such front organizations are mentoring 'Professional Revolutionaries' to be inducted into the underground movement.

The strategy of CPI (Maoist) for urban areas is documented in a paper titled 'Urban Perspective'. Briefly stated, the strategy for urban areas of the country includes mobilization and organization of the working classes, building a united front of classes similarly placed to the working classes and military tactics involving sabotage actions and select assassinations by 'action teams'.

The CPI (Maoist) have a plan of action which integrates their activities into a Pan- India framework. However, till now, they have failed to make any significant headway in the urban areas of India primarily on account of the revulsion of the urban population towards mindless violence, torture, beheadings and other atrocities perpetrated by them on the civilian population and the security forces in their strongholds in Central India. Further, the Maoist ideology has lost its appeal even among the marginalized sections of urban population since their aspirational matrix is at complete variance with the outdated Maoist world view.

The activities of CPI(Maoist) and its front organizations in urban areas are closely monitored and suitable action, wherever warranted, is taken by the State Governments concerned.