

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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STANDARD OPERATION PROCEDURE FOR NAXALISM
Singh Shri Rajnath

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Standard Operation Procedure (SOP) framed by the Union Government to counter naxalities has started functioning;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith operations undertaken under this arrangement so far;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government has recently proposed any action to strengthen the SOP; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (e): SOPs, which are set of instructions to be followed by the security forces to launch operations against extremists, are operation specific and force specific. They are updated from time to time, based on field experience, as the anti-naxal operations are a continuous process.

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