## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3537 ANSWERED ON:11.08.2015 Naxal Activities null

## Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is fact that Naxal extremists are active in the Kandhamal and Boudh districts of Odisha;
- (b) if so, whether the Government proposes to declare the said districts as Left Wing Extremism districts in the country; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

## **Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIBHAI PARATHIBHAI CHAUDHARY)

- (a): Yes, Madam. CPI (Maoist) is active in Kandhamal and Boudh districts of Odisha.
- (b) & (c): 19 districts of Odisha including Kandhamal are already covered under the Security Related Expenditure (SRE) Scheme for the Left Wing Extremism (LWE) affected States. The State Government of Odisha has requested for inclusion of two more districts viz. Boudh and Sonepur under the SRE Scheme. Inclusion/exclusion of district under the SRE Scheme is based on their violence profile and is a continuous process.

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