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Title: Regarding release of IAP/ACA Grants for Left Wing extremism affected areas in Andhra Pradesh.

SHRIMATI KOTHAPALLI GEETHA (ARAKU): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I thank you for giving me this opportunity to speak. I wish to raise a very important matter.

The Integrated Tribal Action Plan known as the additional Central assistance was first started in 2010 under which the assistance is provided to the areas which are affected by Left wing extremism. Eighty eight districts of India have got Left wing extremism and have been identified as Left wing extremist areas. They are being given a grant of Rs. 30 crore per district. My area Araku is the most affected area and four districts of Araku constituency fall within its territorial jurisdiction.

The intention of the Government is deeply commendable. I wish to bring to the notice of the hon. Home Minister, through you Sir, one important thing that I have been waiting for the past few days to get in touch with him because the grants that have been granted – Rs. 60 crore for 2013-14 and Rs. 40 crore for 2014-15 - are yet to be released. Almost all the works, including the infrastructure works, have been stopped and there is a lot of unrest. Hence, I request the hon. Home Minister, through you Sir, to please release these grants in time.

Thank you so much.