

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

RAJYA SABHA

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ANSWERED ON

PROTECTING INTEREST OF TRIBALS AND PEASANTS WHILE FIGHTING NAXALS .

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the red corridor or the areas under Maoists influence is inhabited by tribals and poor peasants;
- (b) if so, what steps are being taken for protecting the interest of tribals and poor peasants while fighting the naxals; and
- (c) what action plan has been prepared in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

(SHRI AJAY MALKEN)

- (a): It is a fact that the areas under influence of Maoist are mostly inhabited by tribals and poor peasants.
- (b) & (c): Government has adopted an integrated approach in dealing with LWE activities in the arenas of security, development and public perception. State Governments deal with the various issues related to naxalite activities in the States. The Central Government supplements their efforts over a wide range of schemes inter alia including schemes for the upliftment of the tribals and poor peasants.