GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OFTRIBAL AFFAIRS RAJYA SABHA QUESTION NO06.12.2010 ANSWERED ON

RISE OF NAXAL INFLUENCE.

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the naxal influence is on the rise among tribals;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Ministry is chalking out any plan to tackle this grave menace;
- (d) whether other Ministries have been contacted in this regard;
- (e) if so, the details thereof;
- (f) whether Orissa Government has sent any proposal or suggestion to the Ministry for initiating any step to neutralize the effect of naxals on tribal community; and (g) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Ministry so far;

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS

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- (a) & (b):As per information received from the Ministry of Home Affairs the intense activities of Left Wing Extremism (LWE) groups being reported from parts of Andhra Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Orissa, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and West Bengal are affecting large tribal belts of these areas. During the current year, total of 2000 incidents have been reported country -wide on account of naxal activities.
- (c), (d) & (e):As per the information furnished by the Planning Commission, the Integrated Action Plan (IAP) for 60 Selected Tribal and Backward Districts has been approved by the Government which includes the placing of a block grant of Rs. 25 crore and Rs. 30 crore per district during 2010-11 and 2011-12 respectively, at the disposal of the Committee headed by the District Collector with the Superintendent of Police of the District and the District Forest Officer as members. The District-level Committee has the flexibility to spend the amount for development schemes according to need, as assessed by it.
- (f) & (g) :The Ministry of Tribal Affairs has released Rs, 198.37 crore during the year 2009-10 for construction of Hostels in naxal affected districts of Orissa as a one time Grant under Additional Central Assistance (ACA).