

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1635**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 16TH MARCH, 2022/ PHALGUNA 25, 1943 (SAKA)

ASSISTANCE TO STATES TO ADDRESS LWE VIOLENCE

1635. SHRI SATISH CHANDRA DUBEY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) which are the top two States reporting incidence of Left Wing Extremism (LWE) violence in the country; and

(b) the assistance being provided by Government to these States to address LWE?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI NITYANAND RAI)**

(a): The top two States reporting incidents of Left Wing Extremism (LWE) violence in the country are Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand. Chhattisgarh reported 50% (255 of 509 country wide incidents) and Jharkhand reported 25% (130 of 509 country wide incidents) of country wide incidents in 2021.

(b): As per Seventh Schedule of the Constitution of India, subjects of Police and Public Order are with the State Governments. However, the Government of India (GoI) has been supplementing the efforts of States affected by LWE as envisaged in the 'National Policy and Action Plan to address LWE', which was implemented in 2015.

The Gol is providing funds for operational purposes and capacity building of the LWE affected States under various scheme like Security Related Expenditure (SRE) Scheme, Special Infrastructure Scheme (SIS), Special Central Assistance (SCA) Scheme etc to fight the LWE menace effectively. In the last 5 years, Rs 1386.88 Crores have been allotted to Chhattisgarh and Rs 1784.65 Crores to Jharkhand under these schemes. In addition, Gol is also supporting the State Governments extensively by way of deployment of Central Armed Police Forces (CAPF) Battalions, provision of helicopters, Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) and sanction of India Reserve Battalions (IRBs)/ Special India Reserve Battalions (SIRBs) etc.

For development works in LWE districts throughout the country, Gol, apart from flagship schemes, has taken several specific initiatives in LWE affected States with special thrust on expansion of road network, improving telecommunication connectivity, skilling, education and financial inclusion.

Under specific schemes meant for LWE areas, in Chhattisgarh, 525 Mobile Towers have been established and work order for another 971 has been issued. 4485 Kms of roads have been sanctioned in two LWE specific schemes for Chhattisgarh, out of which 3081 Kms of roads have been

constructed. 7 Industrial Training Institutes, 14 Skill Development Centers, 44 Eklavya Model Residential Schools, 17 Kendriya Vidyalayas and 15 Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalas have also been sanctioned. For financial inclusion, 252 bank branches, 218 ATMs and 3555 banking correspondents have been established in most affected LWE districts in the past seven years.

Under specific schemes meant for LWE areas, in Jharkhand, 816 Mobile Towers have been established and work order for another 450 has been issued. 2737 Kms of roads have been sanctioned in two LWE specific schemes for Jharkhand out of which 1569 Kms of roads have been constructed. 16 Industrial Training Institutes, 20 Skill Development Centers, 76 Eklavya Model Residential Schools, 36 Kendriya Vidyalayas and 20 Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalas have also been sanctioned. For financial inclusion, 423 bank branches, 397 ATMs and 6925 banking correspondents have been established in most affected LWE districts in the past seven years.

Resolute implementation of National Policy and Action Plan has resulted in consistent decline in the LWE violence and its geographical spread in the country including Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand.