GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3989

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 20TH MARCH, 2018/ PHALGUNA 29, 1939 (SAKA)
MAOIST ACTIVITIES

3989. SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR: SHRIMATI RANJANBEN BHATT:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the elimination of naxal cadres rose by a sharp 65 per cent and the surrenders by the extremists have recorded 85 per cent increase during the last three years;
- (b) whether currently 90 per cent of Maoist activities are limited to 35 districts though they have a hold over pockets in 68 districts in 10 States;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government is considering to involve Army and use air power in the fight against naxals in various parts of the country;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the measures taken to speed up the execution of developmental schemes in the naxal affected areas?

ANSWER

annexed.

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR)

- (a) Elimination of LWE cadres has increased by 88.6% while surrenders have increased by 92.2% in last three years (2015-17) as compared to the preceding three years (2012-2014).
- (b) & (c) In 2017, the 35 most affected districts accounted for 88.5% (804 out of 908) of LWE related violent incidents. Just 20 districts accounted for 80% of the violence. LWE violent incidents were reported from only 58 districts across the country in 2017. District wise details of violence of 35 most affected districts is

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- (d) & (e) No, Madam. There is no plan to involve the Army in the fight against Left
 Wing Extremism except for the ongoing training assistance. Helicopters made
 available for LWE affected States are used only for logistic purposes.
- (f) The Government has a multi-pronged strategy to deal with Left Wing Extremism which involves security related measures, developmental interventions and ensuring rights & entitlements of local communities etc. The strategy has resulted in an overall improvement of the security situation both in terms of reduction in violence and geographical spread of Left Wing Extremism thereby creating conditions that are conducive for speedy development work.

Other measures taken to ensure faster execution of development work include simplification of forest clearance procedures. In addition, regular coordination meetings and reviews are undertaken at the level of the Home Minister, Cabinet Secretary and Home Secretary with line ministries and the States to ensure removal of any hurdles in execution of projects. All these measures have contributed towards speedier execution of development schemes.

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LWE Violence in 35 Most Affected Districts

SI.No	Districts	2017
1.	Visakhapatnam	21
2.	- Aurangabad	5
3.	Gaya	40
4.	Jamui	15
5.	Muzaffarpur	0
6.	Banka	3
7.	Nawada	8
8.	Bijapur	60
9.	Sukma	102
10.	Bastar	18
11.	Dantewada	37
12.	Kanker	46
13.	Narayanpur	58
14.	Rajnandgaon	26
15.	Kondagaon	9
16.	Giridih	11
17.	Gumla	12
18.	Khunti	24
19.	Latehar	59
20.	Palamu	30
21.	West Singhbhum	34
22.	Bokaro	9
23.	Hazaribagh	6
24.	Chatra	21
25.	East Singhbhum	3
26.	Ranchi	7
27.	Garhwa	10
28.	Dumka	1
29.	Ramgarh	7
30.	Lohardaga	4
31.	Simdega	4
32.	Gadchiroli	68
33.	Koraput	8
34.	Malkangiri	38
35.	Khammam	0
Total		804
Country vide Total Incidents		908
%age of incidents in 35 districts		88.5%