

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †18**

**TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 11th DECEMBER, 2018 / AGRAHAYANA 20, 1940
(SAKA)**

NAXAL AFFECTED DISTRICTS

†18. SHRIMATI NEELAM SONKER:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of districts in Uttar Pradesh which are naxal affected and the number of naxal incidents in those districts from the year 2015 to 2018, district and year-wise;

(b) the main reasons behind naxal activities in the country;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any study in the naxal affected States and districts in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details and outcome thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a): Chandauli, Mirzapur and Sonebhadra districts of Uttar Pradesh are LWE affected. No LWE related incident has been reported in these districts since 2015.

(b) to (d): An Expert Group on “Development issues to deal with Causes of Discontent, Unrest and Extremism” set up by the erstwhile Planning Commission had conducted a study on root causes of LWE problem in the country. Report of the Expert Group, submitted in April 2008, identified land,

displacement, forced eviction, poor livelihood, social oppression, absence of governance and poor policing as some of the major causes for LWE problem in the country. The expert Group recommended (i) effective implementation of protective legislations (ii) land related measures (iii) land acquisition, rehabilitation & resettlement (iv) livelihood security (v) universal standardized basic social services (vi) Implementation of Panchayati Raj (vii) strengthening of the planning system and (viii) improved governance, etc to address the LWE problem.

A National Policy and Action Plan has been put in place by the Government of India to deal with Left Wing Extremism in a holistic manner. It envisages a multi-pronged strategy involving security related measures, developmental interventions and ensuring rights & entitlements of local communities etc. Resolute implementation of the strategy has resulted in consistent decline in violence and geographical spread of Left Wing Extremism.
