GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1763

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 02ND JULY, 2019/ ASHADHA 11, 1941 (SAKA)

NAXAL VIOLENCE

1763. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the naxal violence has increased in Jharkhand;
- (b) whether the Government does not have prior information about naxal activities which is causing loss of many security personnel;
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the action being taken by the Government after heavy naxal attack on 14.06.2019 on Jharkhand-West Bengal border?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) to (d): The reply is annexed.

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(a) to (c) Left Wing Extremism related violence in Jharkhand has significantly declined. The numbers of LWE related incidents and resultant deaths in the State over last three years are as under:-

2016		2017		2018		2019(upto 15.06.2019)	
Incidents	Deaths	Incidents	Deaths	Incidents	Deaths	Incidents	Deaths
323	85	251	56	205	43	82	21

To combat the LWE menace in a holistic manner, Government of India formulated a National Policy and Action Plan in January 2015, which envisages a multi pronged approach comprising security measures, development measures, ensuring Rights and Entitlements of local communities etc.

MHA is supporting the State Governments extensively by way of deployment of CAPF Battalions, provision of helicopter and UAVs and sanction of India Reserve Bns (IRBs)/Special India Reserve Bns (SIRBs) etc. Funds are provided under Modernisation of Police Force (MPF), Security Related Expenditure (SRE) Scheme and Special Infrastructure Scheme (SIS) for capacity building of State Police, intelligence agencies and Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs).

Development interventions are made through provision of resources and focused implementation of schemes through line

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Ministries of the Govt. of India. Significant efforts have been made for improving infrastructure in LWE affected areas. These include construction of around 11000 km of roads in LWE areas. Of this, 5500 km of roads have already been constructed. For improving telecom connectivity 2335 mobile towers have been installed and 4072 mobile towers will be installed in the next phase of the project.

To provide further impetus to development and fill critical infrastructure gaps, in the most affected LWE districts, funds are provided to the State Governments under "Special Central Assistance Scheme" @ Rs.33.33 crore per annum.

The steadfast implementation of the policy has resulted in consistent decline in LWE violence and geographical spread. Violent incidents have declined from a high of 2258 in 2009 to 833 in 2018 in the Country. The resultant deaths have also declined steadily from 1005 in 2010 to 240 in 2018. The reduction in geographical spread of Left Wing Extremism is evident in decline in number of districts reporting LWE violence to 60 in 2018.

(d) The Government has taken steps to enhance sharing of intelligence and improving coordination between the agencies concerned.
