GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4593

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 28TH MARCH, 2023/ CHAITRA 7, 1945 (SAKA)

INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE AND INSURGENCY

4593. SHRI T.R.V.S. RAMESH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that incidents of violence and insurgency in the Southern region has decreased;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that hundreds of militants have surrendered along with their weapons in the said region; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): Several parts of the country including some of the southern states have seen Left Wing Extremism (LWE) violence in the past decades. However, to address the LWE menace holistically, Government of India (GoI) approved 'National Policy and Action Plan to address LWE' in 2015. The Policy envisages a multi-pronged strategy involving security related measures, development interventions, ensuring rights and entitlements of local communities, etc. Steadfast implementation of this policy has resulted in consistent decline in LWE violence across the nation including southern region of the country.

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The number of LWE related violent incidents in the country have come down by 77% in 2022 in comparison of high of 2010. The number of resultant deaths (Security Forces + Civilians) have also reduced by 90 % from all time high of 1005 in 2010 to 98 in 2022.

Geographical spread of violence has also significantly reduced and only 176

Police Stations of 45 districts reported LWE violence in 2022 as compared to high of 465 Police Stations of 96 districts in 2010.

LWE related violence incidents reported from the southern region declined significantly by 87 % from high of 104 incidents in 2010 to just 13 incidents reported from Andhra Pradesh and Telangana only in 2022.

(c) & (d): Improved situation in the southern states has seen surrender by 435 LWE cadres from 2019 to 2022 including one Central Committee member.
