

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†1388

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 08TH DECEMBER, 2015/AGRAHAYANA 17,1937 (SAKA)

USE OF UAV FOR INTERNAL SECURITY

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to give a push to the development of Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether UAV will also prove helpful in the field of internal security for dealing with terrorism and naxalism; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with their deployment in extremism/terrorism affected States of the country including Chhattisgarh?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI HARIBHAI PARATHIBHAI CHAUDHARY)

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. Defence Research and Development Organisation(DRDO) has developed Unamanned Aerial Vehicle(UAV) - 'Nishant' and the same has been inducted in Army. Also, Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd.(HAL) has initiated activities for the design, development and manufacture of UAVs.

(c) & (d): UAV are the most advanced systems for obtaining the real-time imagery of the ground and is useful in the internal security scenario. Presently, CRPF has a holding of 10 Micro-UAVs(NETRA) which have been deployed in LWE affected states, including Chhattisgarh. Besides National Technical Research Organisation (NTRO) is also providing their UAV coverage to CRPF for operations in LWE areas. Also, one Mini-UAV of BSF has been deployed in the LWE affected areas in Odisha.
