

The Government of India has provided medical supplies, baby food for the areas affected by cyclone "Alia".

The High Level Committee (HLC) has now considered the request of the Government of West Bengal seeking additional financial assistance from NCCF in wake of cyclone 'Aila' of the State Government and decided to defer the decision on items relating to housing and road sectors, for want of area-wise details from the Government of West Bengal. In respect of the other sectors, assistance of Rs. 478.27 crore from NCCF has been approved.

In addition to the above Government of India has released to West Bengal the 1st installment of Central share of Calamity Relief Fund (CRF) for the year 2009-10 amounting of Rs. 98.965 crore.

District-wise allocation of relief fund comes under the purview of the State Government concerned.

Cities becoming asylums of Maoists

‡500.SHRI BRIJ BHUSHAN TIWARI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that according to intelligence inputs of Central Government, sensitive places of cities of New Delhi, Punjab, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand have become asylums of red arms (Maoists); and

(b) if so, the details of actions being taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) and (b) As per available inputs, certain Maoist activities have come to notice in Delhi, Punjab, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand. However, there is no report of Maoist violence in these areas.

Government has adopted an integrated approach in dealing with LWE activities in the arenas of security, development and public perception. State Governments deal with the various issues related to naxalite activities in the States. The Central Government supplements their efforts in several ways. These include modernization and upgradation of the State Police under the Scheme for Modernization of State Police Forces (MPF scheme); sharing of Intelligence; facilitating inter-State coordination; and assistance in development works through a range of schemes of different Central Ministries.

Utilization report under CRF from Assam

501. SHRI BIRENDRA PRASAD BAISHYA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government of Assam has not yet submitted the utilization report on Central Relief Fund (CRF) received till 2007-08;

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