

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI AJAY MAKEN):
(a) to (d) State Governments have, from time to time, appealed to the Left Wing Extremists to abjure violence and hold talks with the Government on any issues that are of concern to them. As far as the Central Government is concerned, it will welcome such talks between State Governments and Left Wing Extremists provided Left Wing Extremists abjure violence and give up their so-called "armed struggle." There is no proposal for the Central Government to hold talks directly with the Left Wing Extremists.

Governments continues to pursue a policy to deal with the naxalite activities in a holistic manner in the areas of security and development.

State Government 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 forces under various schemes; sharing of intelligence and facilitating inter-State coordination and assistance for integrated development of naxal affected areas through a range of schemes.

Empowering BSF in border areas

639. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Border Security Force (BSF) has asked the Union Government to provide them more powers and also to allow them to make arrests as well as conduct search and seizure operations in border areas;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether in view of increase in crime at borders, the BSF want adequate powers under various provisions of the Criminal Procedure Code; and

(d) if so, the further reaction of Government in providing more powers to BSF?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI AJAY MAKEN):
(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) No, Sir. BSF has already been conferred certain legal powers in the border areas under Criminal Procedure Code.

Institutions in northern India on LET hit list

640. SHRI GOVINDRAO WAMANRAO ADIK:

SHRI SANJAY RAUT:

SHRI BRIJ BHUSHAN TIWARI:

SHRI NAND KISHORE YADAV:

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