

#### **Negotiation with Maoists for peace**

239. SHRI N.K. SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of districts currently affected by maoists insurgency;
- (b) the number of policemen who lost their lives while fighting insurgents since January, 2010;
- (c) whether the maoists have withdrawn from any district till now where they were active previously in the last one year;
- (d) whether Government is negotiating with the maoists for peace at any level presently; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) In 2010 so far, naxal violence has been reported from 90 districts in the country.

- (b) In 2010 (till 31st October), 264 security personnel sacrificed their lives.
- (c) Withdrawal of Maoists from any district has not been noticed during the past one year.
- (d) and (e) The Government has given a call to Left Wing Extremists to abjure violence and come for talks.

#### **Loss due to cloudburst in Leh**

†240. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is agreed with the fact that there had been a huge loss of life and property due to torrential rains caused by cloudburst in Leh;
- (b) if so, whether any delegation of the Central Government has assessed the situation;
- (c) the actual details of loss of lives and properties; and
- (d) whether the fund sanctioned from Prime Minister Relief Fund is adequate for welfare and whether the rehabilitation work has been duly completed with this amount?

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.