

**Increase in Naxal and Maoist Activities**

†\*15. SHRI ABU ASIMAZMI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the States where signs of increase in the activities of Naxal and Maoist Organizations has been noticed and what have been the results thereof; and

(b) the initiative Government have taken to bring the misguided youths of the Maoist and Naxal Organizations into the mainstream and the results thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) State-wise extent of the naxal violence as on October 31, 2004 and in the corresponding period of 2003 is as under-

State	Incidents		Deaths	
	2003	2004	2003	2004
Andhra Pradesh	520	292	117	74
Jharkhand	297	322	106	148
Chhattisgarh	166	302	58	64
Bihar	200	280	102	138
Maharashtra	62	73	25	13
Orissa	46	32	15	8
Uttar Pradesh	12	7	8	5
Madhya Pradesh	12	10	1	3
West Bengal	4	7	1	14
Others	15	10	-	1
(Karnataka/kerala/ Tamil Nadu)				
Total	1334	1335	433	468

(b) The Government has adopted a multi-pronged strategy to combat the problem of naxalism which *inter-alia* includes peace talks with naxal-outfits, accelerated economic development, increased employment opportunities, removal of socio-cultural alienation of the people especially the youth in the affected areas, strengthening of the administrative machinery to make it more responsive and effective anti-naxalite police actions.

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