

Increasing influence of maoists

†76. SHRI RAGHUNANDAN SHARMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the influence of Maoists is continuously increasing in the country;
- (b) if so, Government's reaction thereto;
- (c) whether State Governments are needed to be further equipped to weaken this influence; and
- (d) if so, the scheme chalked out by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI JITENDRA SINGH): (a) and (b) The influence of Maoists in LWE affected areas is assessed on the basis of both overground activities by Front Organizations and violent activities by Underground Cadres. The profile of both these activities keeps changing in different districts at different times. The number of districts which have witnessed some form of LWE activities since 2009 are as under:

Year	LWE Activity		Total
	Violence affected	Under Influence	
2009	91	117	208
2010	95	101	196
2011	84	119	203

(c) and (d) The Central Government has a holistic two pronged approach to combat LWE. It supplements the efforts of State Governments through security related and development related interventions. In security related intervention, apart from directly deploying CAPFs the Government of India provides assistance for capacity building by the States through schemes like the security related expenditure scheme, special infrastructure scheme, construction of fortified police stations etc. In the development front, the Central Government is implementing special scheme for LWE affected areas like the Integrated Action Plan (IAP), Road Requirement Plan-I etc. It is the belief of the Government of India that a combination of calibrated police action, focused development efforts and improvement in governance will yield the desired results against LWE.

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