

Withdrawal of paramilitary forces from LWE areas in West Bengal

2334. SHRI MANAS RANJAN BHUNIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is planning to withdraw the Central Paramilitary Forces posted in the areas of Left Wing Extremism (LWE) in West Bengal;
- (b) if so, what steps Government is going to take in this context; and
- (c) what prompted Government to take this step?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR): (a) to (c) A dynamic approach towards deployment of forces is essential in view of evolving LWE situation. Deployment of forces in LWE affected States is reviewed on regular basis taking into consideration the ground situation, and the re-deployment of forces is affected to ensure optimum utilization of forces.

In West Bengal, no LWE related violence incident/death has been recorded since 2014, therefore, out of 7 battalions of CAPFs, redeployment of 3 battalions to Chhattisgarh has been ordered in August, 2018.

Creation of employment opportunities

2335. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of number of employment opportunities created by Government during the last four years, year-wise and sector-wise;
- (b) the details of number of unemployed people in the country since last four years and whether it is increasing year-by-year;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether Government has set any target to control the increasing unemployment in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR): (a) to (e) Employment generation coupled with improving employability is the priority of the Government. The Government is implementing various programmes in this direction like encouraging