

Steps to check maoist/ naxal activities

363. SHRI HARNATH SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether maoist/ naxal activities of killing innocent people/ paramilitary forces are on the rise in the country;

(b) how many persons have been killed by maoists/ naxals during each of the last three years, State-wise; and

(c) the steps taken to check the activities of maoists/ naxals in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY): (a) There has been a steady decline in Left Wing Extremism (LWE) related violence and geographical spread of LWE influence in the country. The number of deaths (civilians and Security Force personnel) in LWE related violence has reduced consistently from 1005 in 2010 to 202 in 2019. In 2020 (till 15.08.2020), deaths have further reduced from 137 to 102 in comparison with the corresponding period of 2019.

(b) Number of deaths (civilians and Security Force personnel) in LWE related violence in last three years, State-wise is given in the Statement (*See* below).

(c) To combat the LWE menace, the Government of India has formulated National Policy and Action Plan in 2015, which consists of a multi-pronged approach comprising security measures, development initiatives and ensuring rights & entitlements of local communities.

MHA is supporting the State Governments extensively by way of deployment of CAPF Battalions, provision of helicopters and UAVs and sanction of India Reserve Battalions (IRBs)/ Special India Reserve Battalions (SIRBs) etc. Funds are provided under Modernization of Police Force (MPF), Security Related Expenditure (SRE) Scheme and Special Infrastructure Scheme (SIS) for modernization and training of State Police.

Apart from flagship infrastructure schemes of the Central Government, several development initiatives have been implemented for construction of roads, installation of mobile towers, skill development, improving network of banks and post offices, health and education facilities. Funds for development are also provided to most LWE affected districts under Special Central Assistance (SCA) scheme.

Resolute implementation of National Policy and Action Plan has resulted in consistent decline in the LWE violence and its geographical spread.

Statement

State-wise deaths (civilians and security force personnel) in LWE related violence in last three years

State	2017	2018	2019	2020 (Till 15.08.20)
Andhra Pradesh	7	3	5	2
Bihar	22	15	17	2
Chhattisgarh	130	153	77	63
Jharkhand	56	43	54	22
Madhya Pradesh	1	0	2	1
Maharashtra	16	12	34	7
Odisha	29	12	11	5
Telangana	2	2	2	0
Uttar Pradesh	0	0	0	0
West Bengal	0	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	263	240	202	102

Proposal to include scheduled languages as official language

364. SHRI VAIKO: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any proposal to amend Official Languages Act to include Scheduled languages other than Hindi and English as its official languages, as suggested by the Supreme Court;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, how the people in the South and the Northeast, especially villagers could understand the communications, rules and regulations published by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI NITYANAND RAI): (a) and (b) No Sir.

(c) There is provision of three language formulae (Hindi, English and Regional Language) as per point no. 3 of Official Language Resolution, 1968 which have been