

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOME AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2198  
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TRAINING OF NAXAL CADRES  
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**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government are aware that the naxal cadres have set up training camps in various parts of the country;
- (b) if so, the details in this regard;
- (c) whether naxalite outfits have also acquired sophisticated weapons and are also expert in the use of improvised explosive devices;
- (d) if so, whether it is true that there were reports of inter-State co-ordination and net working among various extremist Groups;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the steps taken by the Government to curb the activities of naxalites in various States?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI)

(a)&(b): As per available information, Left Wing Extremism(LWE) outfits have been organizing camps imparting arms training to its cadres and new recruits.

(c): Besides using sophisticated weapons, LWE outfits continue to upgrade the military capabilities by acquiring new technology particularly relating to fabrication and firing mechanism for improvised explosives devices (IED).

(d)&(e): There is no specific input to indicate formal inter-state co-ordination among the LWE groups. Some of the groups such as CPML-PW and MCC (I) are known to have extended support to each other's open calls and action programmes.

(f): The Government has adopted a multi-pronged strategy to tackle the problem of left wing extremism which includes modernization and strengthening of the State Police Forces, better training to police personnel, strategic planning, Special Task Forces for intelligence based anti-naxalite operations, focused attention on developmental aspect and gearing up of the public grievances redressal system at the grass roots level. The Coordination Centre, headed by the Union Home Secretary, regularly reviews and coordinates the steps taken by the States to check left wing extremist activities.