

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:305
ANSWERED ON:23.12.2003
NAXALITE CORRIDOR ZONE
BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government is aware that several left extremist organizations in the country are creating a `corridor zone` from Nepal to Sri Lanka via Bihar, Jharkhand, Orissa, Chhattisgarh, Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu etc.;
- (b) if so, the facts and the details thereof;
- (c) whether there are reports of Maoists and other left extremists spreading their activities to new areas in India; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken to curb their activities?

Answer

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

(a)to(d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No.305 for 23.12.2003 regarding `naxalite Corridor Zone`:

- (a)&(b): There are reports that CPML-PW and MCC (I) together with the Communist Party of Nepal (Maoist) have designs to carve out a `Compact Revolutionary Zone` spreading from Nepal to Andhra Pradesh through Bihar, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh and Orissa.
- (c): The available inputs indicate that the CPML-PW and its front organizations are striving to spread their influence/activities in some parts of Tamil Nadu, Kerala and Karnataka. MCC (I) and CPML-PW are also focusing on new areas in Bihar, Orissa and Jharkhand.
- (d): The Government have adopted a multi-pronged strategy to tackle the naxalite problem which includes modernization and strengthening of the State Police Forces, better training to police personnel, Special Task Forces for intelligence based anti-naxalite operations, focused attention on development aspect and gearing up of the public grievances redressal system at the grass roots level.