

Substantial Decrease in LWE Related Violence Since 2016

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Steadfast implementation of the National Policy and Action Plan - 2015 has resulted in consistent decline in Left Wing Extremism (LWE) related violence and geographical spread of LWE influence in the country. The number of incidents of violence and resultant deaths have decreased by 15.8% and 16.6% respectively in last three years (2016-19) compared with the preceding three years (2013-15). The shrinkage in geographical spread is evident from reduction in violence affected districts to only 60 in 2018. Also, in 2018, 2/3rd of violent incidents were reported in 10 districts only. In 2019 (up to 30 June), 117 deaths have been reported in LWE related incidents. The number of deaths reported in the corresponding period of 2018 was 139.

Apart from this, the last five years have seen a significant improvement in the LWE scenario across the country. The number of violent incidents and resultant deaths have reduced by 43% and 61% respectively during last 05 years (2014-18) compared with the preceding 05 years (2009-13). The details are given below:-

S.No.	Parameters	May-09 to Apr-2014	May-14 to Apr-2019	% Change
1	No. of incidents	8438	4778	-43.4%
2	Deaths (Civilians & SFs)	3209	1247	-61.1%

As part of the multi-pronged strategy to combat LWE menace in a holistic manner, deployment of security forces and developmental activities have been undertaken in the core areas of CPI (Maoist) influence.

In order to supplement the efforts of the State Governments for surrender and rehabilitation initiatives to bring Left Wing Extremists cadres into the mainstream, the Government of India, through the Security Related Expenditure (SRE) Scheme for Left Wing Extremist (LWE) affected States, reimburses the claims made by the State Governments on the Rehabilitation of surrendered LWE cadres. The SRE (LWE) scheme covers inter-alia the LWE affected States of Chhattisgarh, Odisha and Maharashtra.

. This was stated by the Minister of State for Home Affairs, Shri G. Kishan Reddy in a written reply to question in the Rajya Sabha today.