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**LWE related Incidents and Deaths in Chhattisgarh reduce considerably in comparison with 2018**

**Multi-pronged approach comprising Security and Development Initiatives implemented to holistically tackle LWE Menace: Shri G. Kishan Reddy**

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Union Minister of State for Home Affairs, Shri G. Kishan Reddy, in a written reply to a question regarding Maoists attacks in Chhattisgarh, in Rajya Sabha today, said that in 2019, the Left Wing Extremism (LWE) related incidents and deaths in Chhattisgarh have reduced considerably in comparison with 2018. The details are as under:-

Sl. No		2018	2019 (upto 15.11.2019)
1	Incidents	392	231(356)*
2	Deaths	153	76(138)*
3	LWEs killed	125	72(107)*

\*Figures in ( ) indicate the numbers in corresponding period of 2018.

To combat the LWE menace in a holistic manner, Shri Reddy said, the Government of India has formulated a National Policy and Action Plan in 2015, which envisages a multi-pronged approach comprising security, development and ensuring rights & entitlements of local communities etc.

Ministry of Home Affairs 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 Modernisation of Police Force (MPF), Security Related Expenditure (SRE) Scheme and Special Infrastructure Scheme (SIS) for capacity building of State Police, intelligence agencies and CAPFs.

In addition to flagship schemes of the Central Government, several development initiatives have been undertaken for construction of roads, installation of mobile towers, skill development, improvement in network of banks and post offices, health and education facilities, the Minister stated.

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