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LEFT WING EXTREMISM IN INDIA

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Fifteen years ago on November 4, 2004 the then Prime Minister Manmohan Singh stated that left wing extremism is the biggest threat in the nation. We can observe that in 2004 there were around 650 deaths due to these left wing extremists, it goes on increasing up to 1180 deaths in the year 2010. But the number of violence and resultant deaths have decreased by 15.8% and 16.6% respectively in the last three years (2016-19) compared with preceding three years (2013-15) the death toll now reached to 80. It was the great success of "LEFT WING EXTREMISM DIVISION" which has worked thoroughly to deprive the acts of Naxalites.

ORIGIN: THE PWG AND MCC (The base for left wing extremists)

The People's War Group (PWG) was formed under the leadership of **Kondapalli Seetharamaiah** who is remembered till the date and belongs to the state of **Andhra Pradesh**. He was the member of the communist party of India (Marxist Leninist), as part of the central organising committee. It was formed on the basis of Mao Tse Tung's, a well known Chinese leader's theory. The main motto of his theory was not to go with parliamentary democracy but to get the objectives with armed struggle as was followed by the Left Wing Extremists. The **PWG** functions and followed in the States of Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, and Madhya Pradesh. It works in places where there is the liberation of parliamentary control and in tribal areas as well. It actually originated in California and expanded its thoughts and theories to India at first in Andhra Pradesh. It recently declared attacks against Chief Ministers of West Bengal, Andhra Pradesh, Bihar and attacked the Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh Chandrababu Naidu recently. The tactics followed by these PWG groups are that they are of 10 members and attack politicians by land mines and army forces encounters. Due to these strange events the CPI (ML) party has been banned by the State of Andhra Pradesh where these attacks reached the highest level, though this party was banned in Andhra Pradesh. But, the party was not banned nationally; the state banned the party after amendment of the Criminal law 1992, by the same state. The State of Orissa also tried to follow the same work done by Andhra Pradesh so as to ban the CPI party but it was failed.

The Maoist Communist Centre of India (MCC) was founded by Sanjay Dushad and Pramod Mishra. It has spread to whole state of Bihar and consists of a group of 10,000 members. It was due to Sushil Roy, the person who started the party in Bihar and who ruled basically regarding caste, religion, so that the people of Bihar started agitations not to rule likewise and formed as Naxalites to get him down and which gradually led to the formations of a bigger group in the state. After then in the year 2003 there was seen a merger of two other groups in this MCC, namely, Revolutionary Communist Centre of India (RCCI) which was based from Punjab and the second was the Second Central Community (SCC) headed by Prashant Bose. Later on these three groups merged into Communist Party of India (Maoist) in the year 2004. Thus, we can say that these two main groups namely People's War Group (PWG) and Maoist Communist Centre of India (MCC) has given a strong base to Left Wing Extremists (LWE) in India.

DOWNWARD TREND IN LEFT WING EXTREMISM

As per the records the revolt and violence of Left-Wing Extremism has declined in the last five years. This has been the result of the government in coordination with Left Wing Extremism Division, which aims to eradicate Naxalism in India. It has decreased by 60% from 2,375 in 2009 to 908 in 2017 as declared by the Home ministry. At first it was 77 districts which was given To the LWE Division to rescue from Naxalites, but recently 44 districts were taken off from the list and declared free from Naxalites and the remaining 30 districts have been under the rescue operations till date. There are reasons why the violent acts of Naxalites have decreased. The increase in infrastructure in the remote areas has led to the transfer of the police force to those areas and by this the LWE revolts have been controlled gradually. The declination was due to the depression in revolts by Naxalism as the laws were made strong against the acts done by them. As the government changed and the Modi government came to power, they laid down policies towards the welfare and development of economically and socially backward people, and there was no more agitation towards the government and no youth was disappointed enough so that they joined the extremists. They were also not willing to be involved in any type of violent acts as well as in showing interest to join in Left Wing Extremism activities or group. The government has taken certain steps like providing roadways to the Naxalites effected areas as well as providing mobile facilities to those affected and in the remote areas in order to decrease the acts of LWE.

THE ABSOLUTE SOLUTION FOR NAXALISM

The main aim in order to decline LWE is to mobilise the people and to get them to contact the government to get help. The government may not control the acts of Naxalites by using the force of the army in the rescue areas also the LWE does not fear the laws, even so it may be decreased in a gradual and planned way with the help of localites. The law ministry should develop the intensity of punishment so that the Left Wing Extremists may go down with the fear of law. One of the important circumstance is not the implementation of welfare acts proposed by government of India, though there are laws proposed in order to ease the acts of tribals and economically backward people but those are not actually implemented in real so this disrupts the peace of Naxalites and tribals. There was also no proper distribution of public goods and services which led to disappointment in people in the remote area and lead to the strengthening of Naxalism. This corrupt system should be eradicated in order to decrease the effect of LWE. Government should show concern and help them to eradicate or control the Naxalism. If they take care about the welfare of the tribals then LWE comes down as these tribals were turning into Naxals. There should also be an increase in the helicopter support in rescue areas to control the attacks of Naxalites in tribal and remote areas. The forces should be proactive so that they can reach in time to the rescue areas. So we can say that in order to control or to make an end to the acts of LWE there should be increase of forces in remote tribal areas, improvement in intelligence as well as infrastructure.

CONCLUSION

We can say that there has been a decline in Naxalism in the past five years. We can hope that in the future there will be no more Naxalism in India. The gradual decrease in LWE was due to the policies made by the government towards the welfare of tribals and improvement in police forces in LWE effected areas and also the existence of cooperation between the forces

and people in these areas. As the main theme of Naxalism was to reach their goal in a non-parliamentary method it may end with bad consequences. The government was in a good range to control them, at last the government and forces reached their goal in eradicating the Naxalism in India which was a major internal threat to the country.

