



Naxal's Encounter in Chhattisgarh

Why in News?

Recently, six naxalites were killed in an encounter with security personnel in **Chhattisgarh's Narayanpur district**.

- The operation targeted Naxalites in forests near **Kutul-Farasbeda** and **Kodtameta villages**.

Key Points

- Those naxalites belonged to the **People's Liberation Guerrilla Army (PLGA)**.
 - **PLGA** serves as the armed wing of the Communist Party of India (Maoist), a banned political organisation in India.
 - The group seeks to overthrow the government through a prolonged people's war.
- This marks the second major success of the "**Maad Bachao Abhiyan**" (**anti-Naxalite operation**) by Narayanpur police within a week.
- The operation has contributed to reducing violence and fear in the **Abhujmaad region**, which had been affected by Naxal violence for 40 years.
- The operation involved personnel from the **state police's District Reserve Guard**, [Special Task Force \(STF\)](#), [Indo-Tibetan Border Police](#), and [Border Security Force](#).
- Women commandos also played a crucial role in the operation.

Red Corridor

- The **Red Corridor** is the region in the **central, eastern** and **southern** parts of India that experience severe [Naxalism-Maoist insurgency](#).
- The **States of Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Odisha, Bihar, West Bengal, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh** and **Kerala** are considered [Left Wing Extremism \(LWE\)](#) affected.

Border Security Force (BSF)

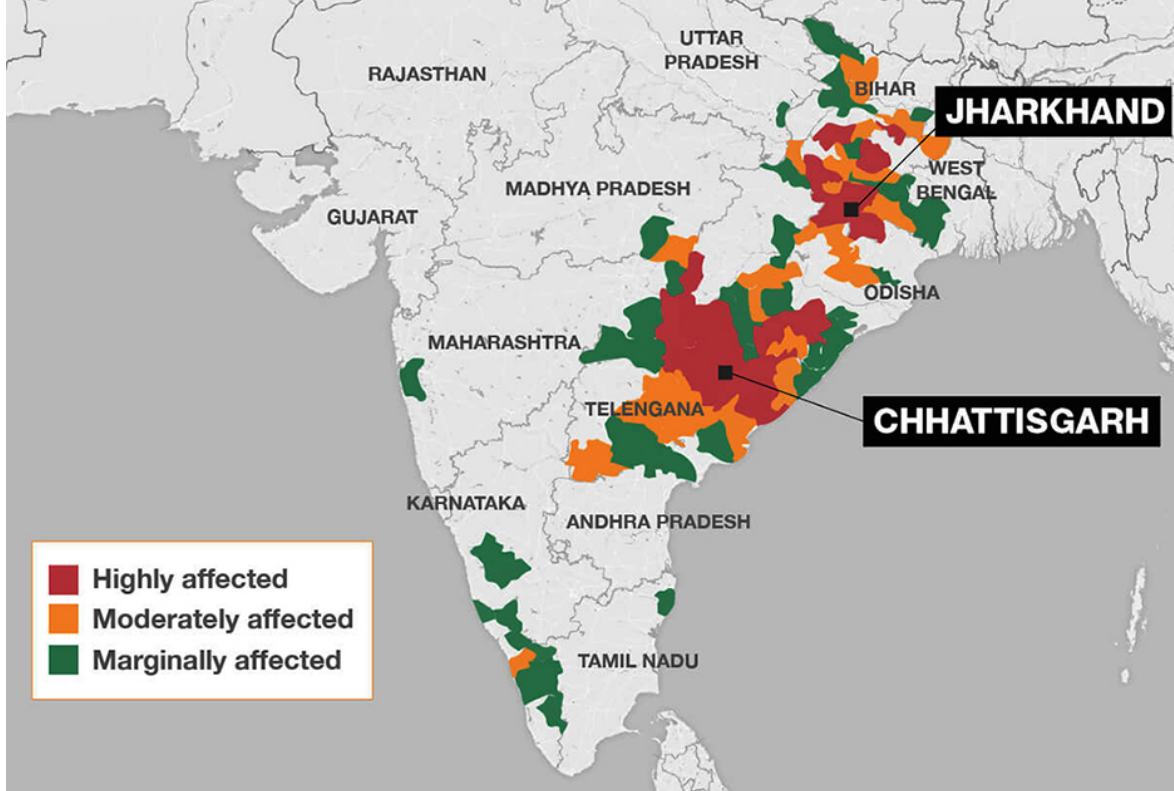
- The **BSF** is meant to secure India's borders with its neighbouring nations and is empowered to arrest, search and seize under a number of laws, such as the Code of **Criminal Procedure (CrPC) of 1973**, the **Passports Act 1967**, the **Passport (Entry into India) Act 1920**, and the **Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act (NDPS), 1985** etc.

Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP)

- The ITBP is a specialised mountain force of India, which was established in 1962, soon after the India-China war which was initially meant for deployment along the India-China border.
- ITBP was initially **raised under the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) Act, 1949**. However, in 1992, parliament enacted the ITBP Act and the rules were framed in 1994.

A map of India's Maoist conflict

A crackdown on Maoist rebels has led to a rise in the number of casualties in the country's tribal areas. Here are the regions that are most affected.



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