



Security Personnel Killed in Bijapur | Chhattisgarh | 07 Jan 2025

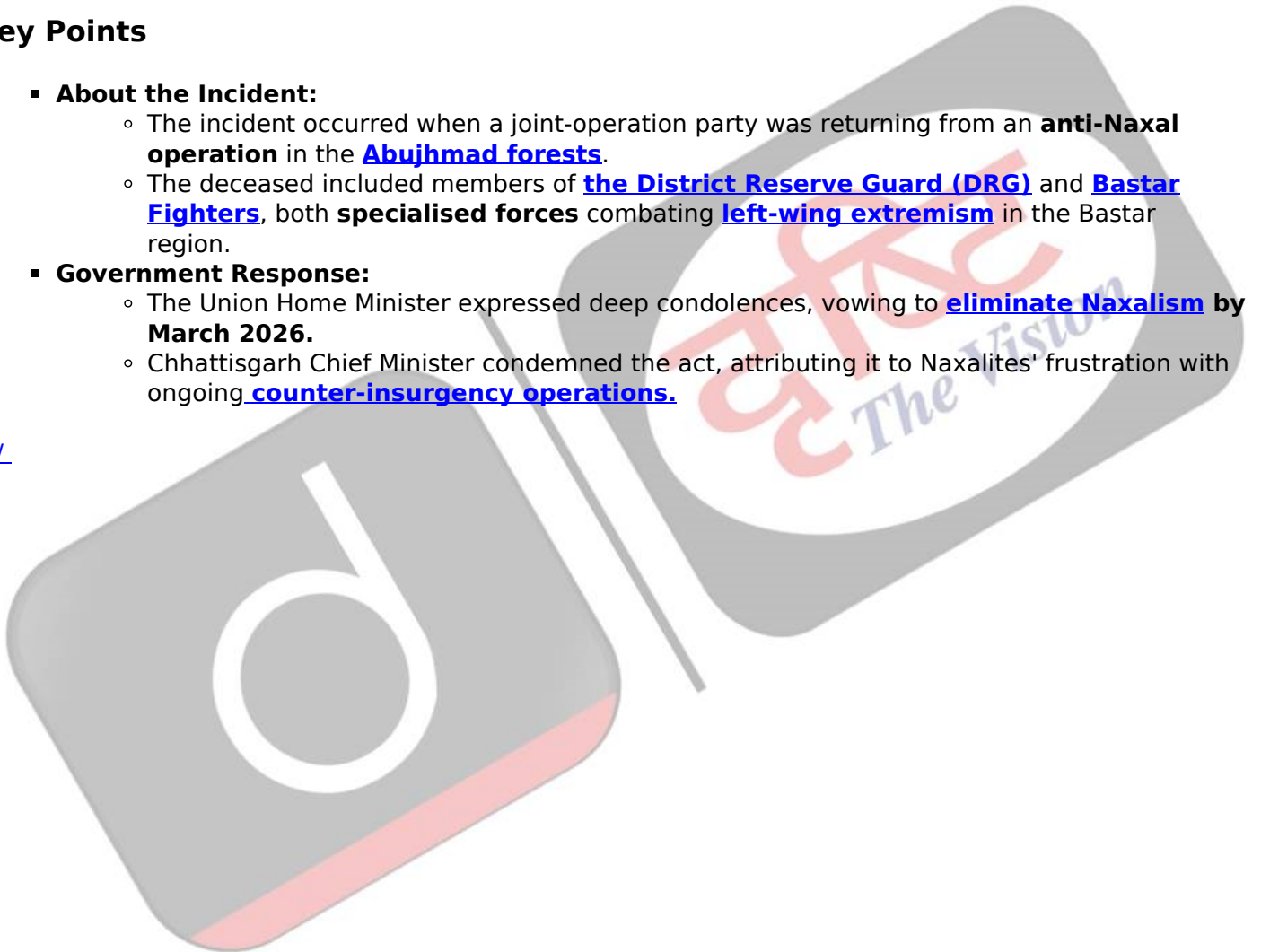
Why in News?

Recently, an [improvised explosive device \(IED\)](#) planted by [Maoists](#) killed eight security personnel and a civilian in Chhattisgarh's Bijapur district.

Key Points

- **About the Incident:**
 - The incident occurred when a joint-operation party was returning from an **anti-Naxal operation** in the [Abujhmad forests](#).
 - The deceased included members of [the District Reserve Guard \(DRG\)](#) and [Bastar Fighters](#), both **specialised forces** combating [left-wing extremism](#) in the Bastar region.
- **Government Response:**
 - The Union Home Minister expressed deep condolences, vowing to [eliminate Naxalism](#) by **March 2026**.
 - Chhattisgarh Chief Minister condemned the act, attributing it to Naxalites' frustration with ongoing [counter-insurgency operations](#).

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LEFT WING EXTREMISM

ABOUT

- ↳ **Originated:** 1967 uprising in Naxalbari, West Bengal
- ↳ **Aim:** Societal and political change through revolutionary methods

IDEOLOGY

- ↳ Overthrow central government through armed revolution (Violence and guerilla warfare)
- ↳ Establishment of a communist state based on Maoist principles

FACTORS RESPONSIBLE

- ↳ **Massive displacement of tribal population;** Due to development projects, mining operations
- ↳ **Tribal dissatisfaction;** Forest (Conservation) Act 1980 prohibits tribes from harvesting forest resources
- ↳ **Poverty and lack of sustainable means;** Driving factors for joining Naxalite movement
- ↳ **Lack of effective governance;** Insufficient technical intelligence against Naxalism

STATES AFFECTED BY LWE

- ↳ **Red Corridor:** Experiences severe Naxalism–Maoist insurgency
- ↳ Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Odisha, Bihar, West Bengal, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and Kerala

GOVERNMENT INITIATIVES TO CURB LWE

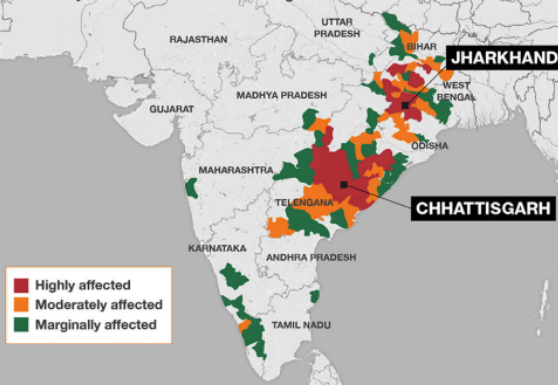
- ↳ National Policy and Action Plan to address Left Wing Extremism 2015
- ↳ **SAMADHAN Doctrine**
 - ↳ **S-** Smart Leadership
 - ↳ **A-** Aggressive Strategy
 - ↳ **M-** Motivation and Training
 - ↳ **A-** Actionable Intelligence
 - ↳ **D-** Dashboard Based KPIs (Key Performance Indicators) and KRAs (Key Result Areas)
 - ↳ **H-** Harnessing Technology
 - ↳ **A-** Action plan for each Theatre
 - ↳ **N-** No access to Financing
- ↳ **Special Central Assistance (SCA)** in Public Infrastructure and Services
- ↳ **Operation Green Hunt**
- ↳ **Greyhounds** (Elite commando force in Andhra Pradesh)
- ↳ **Bastariya Battalion** (local recruits in Chhattisgarh who know the language and terrain that could generate intelligence and conduct operations)

Countering Naxalism - Bandyopadhyay Committee (2006)

- Highlighted the lack of governance, economic, socio-political and cultural discrimination against the tribals
- Recommended tribal-friendly land acquisition and rehabilitation

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.



Improvised Explosive Device

- An **improvised explosive device (IED)** is a **homemade bomb** designed to destroy or incapacitate targets, commonly **used by criminals, terrorists, and insurgents in various forms.**
- IEDs can be delivered through multiple means, including vehicles, placement by individuals, or roadside concealment, and **gained prominence during the Iraq War** that began in 2003.

	Common uses	Common form	Known IED use
High explosives			
Ammonium nitrate and fuel oil (ANFO)	Mining and blasting ²	Solid	Oklahoma City bombing
Triacetone Triperoxide (TATP)	No common uses; mixed from other materials	Crystalline solid	2005 bombings in London
Semtex, C-4	Primarily military	Plastic solid	Irish Republican Army bombings
Ethylene glycol dinitrate (EGDN)	Component of low-freezing dynamite	Liquid	Millennium Bomber, intended for Los Angeles airport, 1999
Urea nitrate	Fertilizer	Crystalline solid	World Trade Center 1993
Low explosive			
Smokeless powder	Ammunition	Solid	Olympic Park bombings

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