

[Maoists attack police station, kill CPI \(M\) worker](#)

The Hindu, 1 February 2010

Maoists and the PCPA on Monday attacked a police station triggering an exchange of fire with the security personnel in West Bengal's Bankura district, while in neighbouring West Midnapore district the left wing extremists killed a CPI (M) worker after abducting him. According to police, PCPA activists along with Maoists attacked Barikul police station, 70 km from Bankura district headquarters, triggering an exchange of fire in which three persons were injured.

<http://beta.thehindu.com/news/national/article98681.ece>

[Maoists move fighters from Bastar to nearby States](#)

The Hindu, 6 February 2010

Even as security forces intensified their efforts to push into the rebel-controlled Abuz Maad area in the Bastar forests of southern Chhattisgarh, the Maoist leadership is believed to have moved the People's Liberation Guerrilla Army (PLGA) fighters into Orissa, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra. Intelligence officers monitoring the Left Wing Extremist (LWE) activity believe that there are five companies (each with a strength of 100) of the PLGA, which has a strong presence in Chhattisgarh, Orissa, Bihar, Jharkhand and West Bengal.

<http://beta.thehindu.com/news/national/article102216.ece>

[Two militants killed in Assam](#)

The Hindu, 6 February 2010

Two militants, one from the ULFA and one from the NDFB, were killed on Saturday in separate encounters in lower Assam. Acting on a tip-off about the presence of four ULFA militants in Maladhara in Lakhipur police station of Goalpara district, a joint operation by police and the Army was launched and one militant was killed on the spot while the other three managed to flee. The slain militant was identified as 'Sergeant' Dilip Rabha alias Laden of the outfit's 109 battalion.

<http://beta.thehindu.com/news/national/article102184.ece>

[Maoists blow up railway tracks in Bihar](#)

The Hindu, 7 February 2010

Maoists blew up railway tracks to enforce their 72-hour bandh near Rajla station on Jhaja-Jasidih section of East Central Railway in Bihar's Jamui district, officials said. "About 40 Maoist guerrillas blew up the up and down tracks late last night between Rajla and Narganjo railway halts near Kahba bridge, affecting the movement of several long-distance and local trains," Additional Director General of Police (Headquarters) U S Dutt said in Patna.

<http://beta.thehindu.com/news/national/article102341.ece>

[Security under threat in West Bengal: Buddhadeb](#)

The Hindu, 7 February 2010

The security environment in West Bengal is under threat from Left-wing extremists in

western areas and ongoing "separatist" movement in Darjeeling, Chief Minister Buddhadeb Bhattacharjee said on Sunday. He said 28 police stations in the three districts of Western Medinipur, Purulia and Bankura are affected by Naxalism.

<http://beta.thehindu.com/news/national/article102482.ece>

[Chidambaram renews offer of talks if Maoists halt violence](#)

The Hindu, 9 February 2010

After a meeting of four naxal-affected States, the Centre on Tuesday said it was ready to hold talks with the Maoists if they "halt" violence. "My appeal to all the naxals on behalf of all the Chief Ministers who participated in the conference two days ago, on behalf of naxal-affected states, if you abjure violence that is if you say a halt to violence, we are not asking you to do anything more, if you halt the violence we are prepared to talk to you on any matter," Home Minister P. Chidambaram said.

<http://beta.thehindu.com/news/national/article103692.ece>

[India Condemns Attack by Maoists That Killed 24 Police Officers](#)

NYT, 16 February 2010

NEW DELHI — India's top domestic security official strongly condemned on Tuesday a brazen attack by Maoist rebels in which gunmen on motorcycles and pickup trucks killed 24 police officers during a daylight ambush against a paramilitary camp in the state of West Bengal. The attack occurred on Monday afternoon and represented a serious setback in India's mounting campaign against the Communist Party of India (Maoist), which has a presence in 20 of the country's 28 states and exerts outright control over several isolated regions. "Their goal is to seize power," the home affairs minister, Palaniappan Chidambaram, said in a statement condemning the attack. "Their weapon is violence. No organization or group in a democratic republic has the right to take to violence to overpower the established legal authority."

<http://www.nytimes.com/2010/02/17/world/asia/17india.html?ref=asia&pagewanted=print>

[Bengal to raise battalion to contain Maoist violence](#)

The Hindu, 18 February 2010

Rattled by the spurt in Maoist violence in the state, the West Bengal Government has decided to raise a battalion of special combat forces to deal with it. The battalion, comprising 939 personnel, would tackle extremist violence and work towards restoring normalcy in the western region wrecked by an endless cycle of attacks, State Finance Minister Asim Dasgupta told reporters after a cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister Buddhadeb Bhattacharjee.

<http://beta.thehindu.com/news/national/article109059.ece>

[Maoists warn of dire results](#)

Kathmandu Post, 20 February 2010

The UCPN (Maoist) on Friday objected to the government's preparations to stop the salary of Maoist combatants and warned of severe consequences. Though no formal

decision has been taken, the government is said to be mulling over discontinuing salary disbursement after finding that about 40 percent of combatants have left their camps. An informal meeting of the Maoist Standing Committee on Friday afternoon concluded that if the government stopped providing salary and allowances to Maoist fighters, who are staying in UN-monitored cantonments, it would amount to breach of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement and the Interim Constitution.

<http://www.ekantipur.com/the-kathmandu-post/2010/02/19/top-stories/Maoists-warn-of-dire-results/5316/>

[Supreme Court snubs govt. for raising Naxal bogey against rights activists](#)

The Hindu, 22 February 2010

The Supreme Court on Monday slammed the Chattisgarh government for raising the "bogey" of Naxalism to discredit those raising issues of human rights violations even as the Centre said it has evolved a Rs 7,300 crore package to develop Naxal-affected regions of the country. The apex court also expressed displeasure at the Chattisgarh government's decision to exhume bodies of 10 tribals allegedly killed by the local police in a village of Dantewada district for fresh post-mortem without its permission.

<http://beta.thehindu.com/news/national/article111511.ece>