<u>CRPF continues operations against Maoists in Chhattisgarh : FOB established, IEDs</u> <u>recovered, Maoists apprehended in Sukma</u>

With a multipronged strategy to counter the Maoists in the Left wing extremism affected regions of the country, the Central Reserve Police Force and Chhattisgrah Police are achieving new milestones every day. The Forces have made relentless ventures into the core and interior regions of Chhattisgarh and established Forward Operating Bases (FOBs) in the inaccessible and inhospitable terrains.

2. The Force has recently established another FOB, in Phulbagadi, Sukma, Chhattisgarh. The FOBs not only provide the forces a base to launch swift operations but also, deters the Maoists from carrying on their nefarious designs by stifling their supply lines. It is for this reason that the Maoists in desperation, launch repeated attacks on these camps, but the forces remain firm in their resolve to force the Maoists out of these areas.

3.On another front, the Force in joint operation with Chhattisgarh police recovered multiple IEDs and apprehended 04 Militia members today in different operations.

While, the troops of 50 Bn CRPF detected 02 IEDs and 02 Hoax IEDs near Dabbakonta nala, PS Chintagupha, Sukma the troops of 206 CoBRA detected 02 IEDs merely 700 m away from Elmagunda camp, near Minapa- Elmagunda road in PS Chintagupha, Sukma. All the recovered IEDs were destroyed in situ by observing all the security protocols.

4. The 81 Bn CRPF gave another blow to the already depleting strength of Maoists by apprehending 04 Militias from vill Jetiyapadu, PS Kistaram, Sukma in a joint operation with the Chhattisgarh Police.