

Neutralization of 12 maoists in Palamu, Jharkhand and 1 maoist in Aurangabad, Bihar by CoBRA.

Palamu

In a major breakthrough, CoBRA troops neutralized 12 Maoists in Palamu district of Jharkhand in a late night strike today. The dead include prominent Maoist leader R.K. @ Anurag Ji, Zonal Commander of CPI (Maoists).

On a specific intelligence input about movement of R.K. @ Anurag @ Doctor, Zonal Commander along with his team towards Doki area (North Latehar) to meet with the team of Nakul Yadav, Zonal Commander, 2 teams of CoBRA and a small team of GD unit of CRPF launched an operation on 08/06/2015 in the night. The troops laid a Naka near village Baluahi Tungri, PS –Satbarwa, District – Palamu. Around 2340 Hrs the troops saw two vehicles approaching. The vehicles were stopped at the barrier laid and seeing armed Maoists alighting, the troops challenged them to surrender But instead the maoists resorted to heavy firing and tried to escape. The troops retaliated the attack promptly and the encounter that ensued lasted for nearly 30 minutes. However the Maoists in second vehicle(leading vehicle) managed to flee .

During the post encounter search, troops recovered 12 dead bodies of Maoists. **R.K. @ Anurag @ Doctor, Member of Koel Sankh Zonal Committee of CPI (Maoists) is amongst the dead.**



The following arms, ammunition and other items were recovered from the encounter site-

1. 5.56 mm INSAS Rifle -1
2. 0.303 Rifles- 4
3. 0.3006 Springfield Rifle -1
4. Country made Rifles-2
5. Scorpio -1



After receiving the information more troops were sent to conduct intensive search in the area.

BIHAR

Based on a specific intelligence input about presence of Kaushal & Abhijeet, Sub-Zonal Commander of CPI (Maoists) in the Dhaba area of PS – Dhaba, District – Aurangabad, an inter state joint operation was launched by CoBRA, GD units of CRPF and STF on Bihar – Jharkhand border on 8/6/2015.

On 9/6/2015 around 0525 hrs, while searching in the forest area of village Dhaba; troops of 205 CoBRA were fired upon by the suspected maoists from a hillock. The troops retaliated the attack promptly and continued their advance amidst heavy gun fire. The encounter that ensued lasted for nearly 30 minutes. During the post encounter search dead body of one maoist was recovered from the encounter site.

A large amount of war like stores for example ammunition, pithhus etc were also recovered from the encounter site. Search is still on.