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**“The theory of Communism may be summed up in one sentence: Abolish all private property.”
-Karl Marx**

“Naxal” is a word that has come to be used to describe a terrorist who commits various acts of violence on behalf of the peasants, or landless farmers and labourers, and tribals, mostly against wealthy landlords, and bodies in the corporate world. According to the ‘Naxalites’, they are fighting a war to eventually create a society without any class or caste system. Chinese revolutionary Mao Zedong’s aim was to encourage the poor peasants and low class tribals to fight against and overpower the government/s and the upper classes of people, and most people involved in the Naxal movements follow his aims and teachings. Naxalism today is present across 10 states of India. The most prominent areas of operation of the Naxalites are the lesser developed areas in the country. They operate mostly in rural areas, mostly from the jungles in these regions.

The Indian National Congress has made tremendous efforts in the war against Naxals, regardless of their ideology, but taking into consideration their violence. The Naxalites have been branded as terrorists and face resistance from most parts of the Indian political spectrum. They operate with an ample amount of violence, and numerous deaths throughout history of government and corporate officials and workers have been a result of the Naxal movement. The Indian National Congress has taken many steps to improve the situation, but the party itself cannot make an enormous impact, considering that there are more than 50,000 armed cadres of Naxalites around the country.

The Indian National Congress and The Republic of India itself are two bodies which operate with the ideas of Democratic Socialism. Social ownership and private ownership are both not frowned upon, making the INC easy targets of the violent Naxalites, who preach extreme Communism. The INC does not will always keep its aim of a mixed economy as it feels that this is what is best for India.

The Indian National Congress will be surely impacted in a violent way as usual. Unless the Naxalites are given what they need, (which still seems uncertain) violence will be an impact unable to control. Stress and pressure will be continuously laid on to the INC, and it is assured that the Congress has, is and will work towards lessening the drastic and violent negative impacts the Naxals have had on the INC.

The Indian National Congress believes that if the people of its country are suffering endlessly because of it, the violence has to come to an end. It is a horrid effect of the Naxal movement and will be stopped. Where ideologies go, the INC is going to continue preaching a mixed economy, however.

The UPA as a whole has taken various measures to abolish Naxal meetings and reduce the number of insurgents in the jungles of rural India, and has often succeeded. The CRPF has been extensively worked on to reduce the amount of violence caused by the Naxalites, the deployments have been strategically

given to various officers. The law enforcement foundations continuously work to abolish violence, and the work is still underway.

The Indian National Congress aims to bring law enforcement to a brand new level, and strategically place various posts and deployments of CRPF, IPS etc. The INC also believes that the revision of acts such as National Security Act, Armed Forces (Special Forces) Act should be revised in order to control violence.

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