



Emergency Message for U.S. Citizens: West Bengal (India) Maoist Retaliation Threat

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Security forces in West Bengal are on alert in case Maoist fighters seek to avenge the November 24 death of one of their senior leaders. A 48-hour general strike has been called for November 26 and 27, 2011. The Regional Security Office is advising official employees not to travel to this area during this time. U.S. citizens should always practice good security and exercise caution when travelling to areas affected by Maoist violence. Be aware of your surroundings and keep a low profile. Monitor local news reports and consider the level of security present when you visit public places, including religious sites, or choosing hotels, restaurants, and entertainment and recreation venues.

This Emergency Message expires on November 28, 2011.

U.S. citizens traveling and residing abroad should enroll in the Smart Travelers Enrollment Program (STEP) at <https://travelregistration.state.gov/ibrs/ui>. U.S. citizens without internet access may enroll directly at the U.S. Embassy or Consulate at their destination. By enrolling, U.S. citizens make it easier for the Embassy or Consulate to contact them in case of emergency.

Updated information on travel and security may be obtained from the Department of State by calling 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the United States and Canada or, for callers outside the United States and Canada, a regular toll line at 1-202-501-4444. For further information, please consult the Worldwide Caution

http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/pa/pa_4787.html and other consular information, including Country Specific Information.

http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_1139.html, for specific countries. These products and the latest international travel information for U.S. citizens are available on the Bureau of Consular Affairs <http://www.travel.state.gov/> website at <http://www.travel.state.gov/>. Follow us on Twitter <http://twitter.com/#!/TravelGov>, and the Bureau of Consular Affairs page on Facebook <http://www.facebook.com/travelgov> as well. You can also download our free Smart Traveler iPhone App

<http://itunes.apple.com/us/app/smart-traveler/id442693988?mt=8> to have travel information at your fingertips.

U.S. citizens with questions or concerns may contact the American Citizens Services Unit of the Embassy or the Consulates General for further information:



- * The U.S. Embassy in New Delhi <http://newdelhi.usembassy.gov/> is located at Shanti Path, Chanakya Puri 110021; telephone +91-11-2419-8000; fax +91-11-2419-8587. For after-hours emergencies, please call the 24-hour operator at (+91-11) 2419-8000 and ask for American Citizen Services.
- * The U.S. Consulate General in Mumbai (Bombay) <http://mumbai.usconsulate.gov/> is located at Lincoln House, 78 Bhulabhai Desai Road, 400026, telephone +91-22-2363-3611; fax +91-22-2363-0350. For after-hours emergencies, please call the 24-hour operator at (+91-22) 2363-3611 and ask for American Citizens Services. If you are calling from within India, but outside Mumbai, first dial 022.
- * The U.S. Consulate General in Chennai (Madras) <http://chennai.usconsulate.gov/> is at 220 Anna Salai, Gemini Circle, 600006, telephone +91-44-2857-4000; fax +91-44-2811-2027. For after-hours emergencies, please call the 24-hour operator at (+91-44) 2857-4000 and ask for American Citizen Services. If you are calling from within India, but outside Chennai, first dial 044-.
- * The U.S. Consulate General in Kolkata (Calcutta) <http://kolkata.usconsulate.gov/> is at 5/1 Ho Chi Minh Sarani, 700071; telephone +91-33-3984-2400; fax +91-33-2282-2335. For after-hours emergencies, please call our primary hotline cell phone (91) 99030 42956. If unable to reach the cell phone, please call (91) (33) 3984-2400 and dial "0" and ask for the Duty Officer.
- * The U.S. Consulate General in Hyderabad <http://hyderabad.usconsulate.gov/> is at Paigah Palace, 1-8-323, Chiran Fort Lane, Begumpet, Secunderabad 500 003; telephone: +91 (40) 4033-8300. For after-hours emergencies, please call the 24-hour operator at (+91-40) 4033-8300 and ask for American Citizen Services. If you are calling from within India, but outside Hyderabad, first dial 040-.