	Central government needs to implement a coherent national strategy to end Naxalism.
Proper Dialogue	<ul> <li>Dialogues between the Naxal leaders, and the government officials can be a way to work out a solution.</li> <li>The government should initiate sincere dialogue with Naxalites.</li> </ul>
Job creation and increase wages	<ul> <li>Insecure livelihood and unemployment in the areas have left the people with no option but to join the Naxals.</li> <li>If we are actually thinking of ways to end Naxalism, we'll first have to provide the people of the area with proper employment opportunities with increased wages.</li> </ul>
Resettlement and Rehabilitation programmes	<ul> <li>mining grounds, irrigation areas, industries, etc., in the area without any provision for the resettlement of the displaced people has only added to the woes of the poor</li> <li>There needs to be more emphasis on rehabilitation of these affected population</li> </ul>
Prevent environmental degradation	<ul> <li>Environmental degradation in the form of destruction of land and water resources due to mining and industrial activities.</li> <li>The locals are left with disrupted lives and adversely affecting tourism</li> </ul>
Stop the political marginalization	<ul> <li>Weaker sections of the society, the schedule castes and schedule tribes still face discrimination from the upper class.</li> <li>These downtrodden sections don't enjoy equal participation in casting and contesting politically, making them soft targets of Naxals.</li> </ul>
Eliminate disparity among people	<ul> <li>Economic disparity and the growing distance between rich and the poor is one of the main problems that has contributed to the growth of Naxalism</li> <li>This distance needs to be filled to an extent hastily to stop Naxalism</li> </ul>
Access of resources by local people	<ul> <li>One of the major reasons for unrest is the exploitation of forest and lands of the tribal people for industrial purposes.</li> <li>The loss of land and the lack of basic facilities like education, freedom, sanitation and food</li> </ul>
Proper welfare steps for the tribals	<ul> <li>The socially backward tribals form the major support base for Naxalites because of inequality, illiteracy and lack of opportunities.</li> <li>It's important to prevent these people from falling in the Naxal trap.</li> </ul>
Modernize and well- equipped law enforcement agencies	<ul> <li>The major policing lies in the hands of the state governments</li> <li>At federal level, many agencies are under the command of Union Ministry of Home Affairs</li> <li>Central government must inroads into these disturbed states with their agencies well-equipped with modern artillery and assist the usually poorly-equipped agencies of the state.</li> </ul>

## WAY FORWARD: CONVERTING VICIOUS CYCLE INTO A VIRTUOUS CYCLE OF DEVELOPMENT

- **Learning from best practices like Chhattisgarh police:** Greyhounds in Andhra Pradesh have been successful in minimising Maoists activities to a large extent. Similarly, as Chhattisgarh police have experience in tackling Maoists in Bastar, they are now coordinating with the bordering States to strengthen intelligence and ground presence.
- **Eliminate the feeling of alienation with tribals:** Eliminating the root cause of the problem that is leading to the alienation of tribals in this area. The focus should now be on building roads, increasing administrative and political access of the tribals, improving reach of government schemes etc.
- **Better Cooperative federalism:** Centre and states should continue with their coordinated efforts where Centre should play a supportive role with state police forces taking the lead.
- **Forest Rights:** Effective implementation of the Scheduled Tribes and other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Rights) Act, 2006.
- **Financial empowerment:** Introduce measures to encourage formation of 'Self Help Groups' (SHGs) and cooperative societies to improve access to credit and marketing and empower the disadvantaged.