



# Demonetization has crippled funding for left wing extremism: Union Minister of State Rajiv Prathap Rudi

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Union Minister of State for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (Independent Charge), Shri. Rajiv Pratap Rudy has stated that the demonetisation has completely crippled thousands of crores of money which was going to Left Wing Extremists affected areas. Speaking at a Meet the Press programme in Thiruvananthapuram, he pointed out that Demonetisation had a straight impact in such areas.

In response to a question on the infiltration by Pakistan, Shri. Rudy pointed that we have a neighbour which does not behave you cannot change your neighbour. He said Pakistan, which is a failed state, is indulging in infiltration and terror actions for its own survival.

Shri. Rudy pointed out that all the economic indicators, the global rating agencies, share markets, World Bank, IMF, Niti Ayog have noticed that the country is surging ahead in the economic front. The government has also delivered on the economic front, whether on hitting on black money, getting legislations in place, demonetisation, rolling out of GST, pointed out the Minister. He said the world is saying that the country has moved to a growth rate of close to 7%. Refuting the allegations that farmer suicide are on the rise, Shri. Rajiv Pratap Rudy said the Centre is working through the states and is making best possible efforts to infuse funds in rural areas. He said the aim of the NDA government is to double the income of farmers by 2020 and this is being achieved through putting in place various infrastructures and subsidies.

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