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Chhattisgarh devises new strategy to combat Naxals

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Raipur: Chhattisgarh Police has said that it has devised a new strategy to combat Maoists by packing a small area with adequate security personnel to force the Maoists to flee and develop it later.

Speaking to ANI on Saturday, Chhattisgarh Director General of Police Vishwa Ranjan said: "We have started a new form of joint operation in Rajnandagaon and northern Bastar. The objective is to pack a small area with adequate force, so that Naxals are forced to flee the area."

"Once they have retreated we will develop the area. When that area has developed will move to another geographical area and develop it," he added.

Earlier in December 2009, after a meeting with the Director Generals of Police of five Naxal affected states -West Bengal, Jharkhand, Orissa, Chattisgarh and Bihar the Home Ministry had reportedly agreed to depute 33 more battalions of the Central forces to the anti Naxal offensive.

The Union Home Ministry has stationed 25 battalions of central forces in Chhattisgarh as the state is witnessing the heavy movement of the red rebels. (ANI)

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