Kandhamal visit 'satisfactory': EU diplomats' team

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Phulbani (Orissa), Feb 5 (PTI) The EU delegation of diplomats today termed as "fruitful" and "satisfactory" their two-day visit to riot-hit Kandhamal but said they were "concerned" over sufferings of some people in the district.

"We had a very good meeting with the Kandhamal district administration. It is fruitful. We had open and frank discussion. It helped us in understanding the situation and understanding happenings over the past 15 months," said Gabriele Annis, the first secretary (political and counsellor) from Embassy of Italy.

Annis said during the visit the delegation met all people concerned, communities and stake holders.

Replying to a question on relief and rehabilitation measures undertaken by the state government, he said, "Of course, there is always need for more."

Asked on the EU's observation on the post-riot situation in Kandhamal, Annis said they were still gathering information.