

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:68
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TAPES OF AZHAR MASOOD .
RAMCHANDRA PASWAN;SAMUDRALA VENUGOPAL CHARY

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of the circulation of tapes in Kanpur which have also been smuggled in Delhi containing the speeches of recently released militant Azhar Masood calling for Jihad against the country and circulation of hand bills showing the hijackers of the Indian Airlines Plane IC-814 as heroes; and

(b) if so, the action taken by the Government to seize the tapes containing anti-India propaganda having dangerous/implications of communal conflicts ?

Answer

MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI)

(a) Yes, Sir. Reports have been received about circulation of such cassettes in Uttar Pradesh..

(b) The Union Government immediately on receipt of information have sensitised the concerned State Governments to take appropriate action against the culprits as per the law.