

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3451
ANSWERED ON:29.07.2009
ARREST OF ULFA CHIEF
Meinya Dr. Thokchom

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that ULFA Chief, Shri Paresh Baruah, has been arrested by the Bangladesh authorities; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the efforts made by the Government to bring him back to India for trial?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI S. M. KRISHNA)

(a) & (b): We have no information so far regarding arrest of ULFA Chief Paresh Barua by the Bangladesh Government. The Government has regularly taken up with the Bangladesh Government various security related matters including, presence of Indian Insurgent Groups (IGs) in Bangladesh, deportation of IG leaders reportedly in Bangladesh and misuse of Bangladesh soil for activities hostile to India. They have assured that they would not allow Bangladesh territory for activities inimical to India. The Government would continue to actively pursue these issues with Bangladesh.