Title: Draws the attention of the Government to the incident of firing and killing of five innocent villagers in Coochbehar district of West Bengal by the BSF Personnel and to punish the guilty persons.

SHRI AMAR ROY PRADHAN: Mr. Deputy-Speaker Sir, with anger and anguish I would like to draw your attention and that of the House to the following incident.

In the first week of December, 1999 the BSF people fired and killed five innocent villagers of Dhaprahat, Shukarur Kuthi, Dinhata, in Coochbehar district of West Bengal. Also, twelve people were injured in the firing. The BSF personnel are engaged to save the life and property of the people. If you go through the entire border of West Bengal and Bangladesh, you will find that in this border area of 2221 kms. there is a clash between the people and the BSF. They have got the fire arms and they open fire here and there. In this way yesterday also some people got killed.

I would like to draw the attention of the Home Minister to this incident and request that he should take immediate steps and stop this illegal firing and punish those who are involved in this firing.

SHRI AJOY CHAKRABORTY (BASIRHAT): I associate myself with Shri Amar Roy Pradhan.