

Title: Demand to send a central team to visit the areas affected with the clashes between tribals and the non-tribals in the Karbi along hill district of Assam.

MR. SPEAKER : Shri Tarun Gogoi to speak now.

SHRI TARUN GOGOI (KALIABOR): Mr. Speaker, Sir, with your kind permission, I would like to draw the attention of the Central Government, through you, about the serious situation that has taken place in the Karbi Along Hill district of Assam. The ethnic clashes between the tribals and the non-tribals have been taking place as a result of which recently more than 25 persons were killed. These clashes have been going on unabated for the last two months. ...*(Interruptions)*

MR. SPEAKER : Nothing should go on record except what Shri Tarun Gogoi says.

*(Interruptions) **

SHRI TARUN GOGOI : These clashes have resulted in the killing of more than 60 persons. Hundreds of houses have been burnt down and thousands of people have fled and taken shelter in the relief camps. ...*(Interruptions)*

MR. SPEAKER : This is not proper. You are not allowing the other Member to speak.

...(Interruptions)

SHRI TARUN GOGOI (KALIABOR): Sir, the clashes have been going on due to the increased militant activities. The local administration did not take any effective steps. There has been an allegation by the victims of both the groups that the State

* Not Recorded.

Government is conniving with the militant groups. I myself have visited the places. What has impressed me is that there was no ill-feeling between both the groups. Even the tribals do not suspect that the Hindi-speaking people are behind the clashes. The same is the case with the Hindi-speaking people and they do not consider that this is the handiwork of the tribals. All this is because of the militant activities.

Sir, the victims have not been provided any relief in the form of food or medicines etc. Thousands of people are without any relief. ...*(Interruptions)*

The Central Government has not taken the matter seriously and the Central Government cannot shirk its responsibility. Therefore, I want that immediately a Central team or Parliamentary Committee should visit the affected areas to see the real position. Otherwise, the situation may worsen further.

MR. SPEAKER: Shri Paban Singh Ghatowar, Shri Nepal Chandra Das, Shri Bijoy Handique and Shri Madhab Rajbangshi can associate with him.

...(Interruptions)

SHRI BIJOY HANDIQUE (JORHAT): Sir, I associate myself....*(Interruptions)*

SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR (DIBRUGARH): Sir, I also associate myself. The ethnic clashes have been going on ever since the present Government came to power. ...*(Interruptions)*

MR. SPEAKER: Shrimati Phoolan Devi.

...(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: Nothing should go on record except the speech of Shrimati Phoolan Devi.

*(Interruptions)**

MR. SPEAKER: Shri Raghunath Jha, what is this? Why are you unnecessarily confronting with the Opposition Members? Please take your seat.

...(Interruptions)