

Title: Urgent need to probe and search the two missing young men lifted by the Army and Para-military Forces in Assam.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: I have given the floor to Shri B.K. Handique.

...(Interruptions)

SHRI BIJOY HANDIQUE (JORHAT): Mr. Deputy-Speaker, Sir, in Assam, young men and women are being lifted by the Army and para-military forces on the plea of getting information about the terrorists, after which they never return. It remains a mystery and it has become a common occurrence in the State of Assam. On 24th March, at 3.30 in the morning at a place called Kakajan, in Jorhat, which is my constituency, two young men, named Syed Abdul Munim and Mohammed Abdul Rehman, were lifted by the Army and a group of unidentified young men with their faces covered in the presence of villagers and the members of their families. Till today, even after a lapse of six weeks, they remain untraced. The matter is very complicated since the officials at the highest level in the Army have denied their involvement on the plea that this particular district is not under Army operation at present. Till today, the State administration of Assam has failed to give any clue to the whereabouts of these missing persons. Where are they? Nobody knows. I urge upon the Home Minister to order a probe to find out whether these young men are still alive and who are responsible for their lifting. If the human rights violations continue like this, I am afraid our efforts to resolve terrorism will be adversely affected. I hope the hon. Home Minister will immediately order a probe to find out whether these two missing young men are alive.