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Title : Reported kidnapping of 18 Tribal women by naxalites in Bastar region of Chhattisgarh.

MS. INGRID MCLEOD (NOMINATED): Thank you, Chairman, Sir.

Continuing with the vicious and cruel bloodbath in the Bastar region of Chhattisgarh, the ruthless naxalites have abducted 18 tribal women on 25th of July. The women were resident in the Salwa Judum camp. Yet, the police in order to cover up security lapses reported to the media that the women were not in the camp.

In the last six months, hundreds of tribals connected with the Salwa Judum movement have been brutally murdered. Many thousands have fled their homes. The local Government has taken no census of the thousands affected. Many police encounters with naxalites are faked just to show some Government activities. The naxalites are resorting to a deliberate and precise retribution against Salwa Judum activists and Salwa Judum camps.

The State Government has failed to provide security to the tribals or stop the brutal killings. More and more tribal women are being killed, raped and abducted into slavery just because they are believed to be Salwa Judum activists. Bastar, once the most tranquil and natural habitat of the tribal, has now become the bloodiest killing field in India. Today, Salwa Judum is the prime cause for provoking the naxalites who are heavily armed, well organised and ruthless. I would request the hon. Minister to take steps to restrict the Salwa Judum movement in Bastar and also to take steps to locate the kidnapped women.

SHRI LAKSHMAN SINGH (RAJGARH): Can I intervene? Salwa Judum was meant to unite the Adivasis. That was meant for a good cause. So, do not criticise Salwa Judum. ...*(Interruptions)*

MS. INGRID MCLEOD : The State Government failed.

MR. CHAIRMAN : Please sit down. Now, Shri S. Ravichandran.

MS. INGRID MCLEOD : It was the State Government's duty to provide security to the tribals. â€¦ *(Interruptions)*

SHRI LAKSHMAN SINGH : I admit the lapse. ...*(Interruptions)*

MR. CHAIRMAN: Nothing will go on record except the speech of Mr. Ravichandran.

(Interruptions) â€¦*