Title: Reported movement of Missiles and war equipments by China along Arunchal Pradesh Border.

SHRI RAMEN DEKA (MANGALDOI): Madam Speaker, thank you.

I would like to draw the attention of the House and the Government to an important and urgent issue relating to the security of the country. On August 17<sup>th</sup>, North-East Television, a premier channel in the North-East, reported that missiles and war equipment move towards Arunachal Pradesh border. Please listen to me. I appeal to all hon. Members to listen to this issue.

The source of broadcasting is Pentagon report. I would like to know whether the Government of India is aware of these things. If they are aware of these things, what steps have they taken at the ground level and at the diplomatic level. Neither the hon. Home Minister nor the hon. Defence Minister is present here. I would urge upon you to prevail upon the Government to give a statement on this issue because it is a very serious issue. We should not forget the 1962 war.

I do not want to quote that infamous statement of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, which always hurts the people of Assam and the people of the North-East. It is a very serious issue. Infrastructure is not there. Army cannot move. Day before yesterday I raised the issue regarding NH 52. It is not in a good condition. If war breaks out then the Army's movement will be very less. We are here not for you, in 1962 Chinese soldiers left the war field. That is why we are here. In the 1962 war, we failed to protect the North-Eastern region. The Members from West Bengal are sitting here. They are also not safe.

China will attack from Myanmar. Their missiles can attack West Bengal from Myanmar. All of us are in the range of their missiles. But the Government is keeping mum over this serious issue.

So, I again urge upon you to prevail upon the Government. The hon. Home Minister or the hon. Defence Minister should assure this House that the country is safe. Soft peddling will not do any good. A stringent view in this regard is required because our border is porous. We have international borders. Myanmar is there and Bangladesh is there. Bangladeshis have changed our demography. But the Government is silent.

MR. SPEAKER: Those who want to associate with the matter raised by Shri Ramen Deka may kindly send slips.

Dr. Rajan Sushant,

Shri Harin Pathak,

Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal, and

Shri Hukumdeo Narayan Yadav are allowed to associate with the matter raised by Shri Ramen Deka.