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Title: Need to deploy the Army at Southern part of Karimganj and Hailakandi districts of Assam in view of recent incident of kidnap by extremists.

SHRI RADHESHYAM BISWAS (KARIMGANJ): Thank you, Madam, for giving me the opportunity to speak during 'Zero Hour'. I want to draw the attention of the Ministry of Home Affairs to a burning problem of my constituency Karimganj. I would like to inform you about an area of Southern Assam which is very interior with hilly terrain and jungles. The road transportation to this area is very miserable. Some anti-social elements, extremists have developed their network there and have started kidnapping, extortion, killing men since the last two years. On the night of 16th March, 2015, at about 7.45 p.m., one businessman namely Prabir Das of village Birajapur of PS Ratabari of Assam was kidnapped by the extremists.

Madam, it may be mentioned here that 177 field Regiment of Army was deployed in the year 2009 for Karimganj district at Ratabari and south Hailakandi with their base camp in that area for counter-insurgency operation. But in the month of August, 2013, this was withdrawn suddenly without any such prior information and replacement by the Union Government.

Therefore, I request the Home Minister, through this august House, for re-deployment of Army camp at southern part of Karimganj and Hailakandi district of Assam to protect the life and property of the innocent citizens, which is also a duty of the Government. Thank you.