

**(vii) Need for proper maintenance
of Calicut Port**

SHRIK MURALEEDHARAN (Calicut) Calicut port is the oldest port in Kerala and it is also the most neglected port. Out of the two bridges one has been handed over to the Corporation for gardening. There are nearly 500 manji workers and 800 loading and unloading workers. After 1984, no ship came there. All attention is now towards Bepore Port. There is no objection to it but it should not be at the cost of Calicut Port. It is the duty of the Government to maintain the Calicut Port. So my humble request to the Government is to come out with a concrete proposal for improving the Calicut Port.

[Translation]

**(viii) Need for taking effective steps
to check terrorist activities in
Punjab**

SHRI JANARDAN TIWARI (Siwan) Mr Chairman Sir, I demand effective steps from the Central Government to check terrorist activities in Punjab. A security belt should be created along the Pakistan border and sensitive areas should be handed over to Army.

These steps will effectively check terrorism in Punjab

16.21 hrs.

[English]

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MR CHAIRMAN The House shall now take up further discussion and voting on the Demand for Grant under the control of the Ministry of External Affairs.

Shri Eduardo Faleiro to speak

SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO (Mormugao) : Mr. Chairman, since we last discussed the Demands for Grants for the Ministry of External Affairs one year ago, historic changes of the greatest import have taken place in the international scenario. The last one year has indeed signalled the end of the cold war, in fact in substantial manner the end of the very concept of super powers and indeed the appreciation that war is no more and can never be an effective instrument to settle disputes.

It so happens that last year was also celebrated in this country and many other parts of the world by many institutions as the birth centenary year of Pandit Nehru. To my mind, perhaps the greatest ideological contribution made by Pandit Nehru was in the realm of foreign policy. The concept of non-alignment was from the very beginning that war and conflict and confrontation between superpowers and military blocs can really not bring peace on earth. This was really the concept of non-alignment movement, a concept and philosophy that remains valid inspite of the changes that have taken place, inspite of the end of the cold war. It remains valid and will always be perennially valid. This concept is that we must understand issues as per our own national interests, that we must understand issues on the merits and judge them on merits and in fact we must understand issues and take decisions on issues of international import keeping in mind our national interests and also the peace and prosperity of mankind as a whole.

I would like to submit that whilst the philosophy of the non-alignment movement in the context of tremendous changes that have taken place in the international scenario remains valid, the agenda of the non-alignment movement must of necessity now change. I would like to say before I go into the new agenda and the new political thinking that must inform the non-alignment movement, that this spirit and this realisation that there is no alternative to negotiations for settlement of disputes, that war is not an alternative for settlement of disputes must