

(Interruptions)

SHRI N. SUNDARARAJ : Three days have already passed since the incident took place. There is no statement from the Government yet. *(Interruptions)*

MR. SPEAKER : You should understand the nicety involved in it.

SHRI N. SUNDARARAJ : What is the nicety in killing persons? What will happen tomorrow if I will be killed?

MR. SPEAKER : I will give you all the protection. It is useless to argue like this.

SHRI N. SUNDARARAJ : It is very useful. Sir. *(Interruptions)*

MR. SPEAKER : I am allowing Mr. Advani now. I will allow some of you one after another. You should please understand that I cannot go on arguing like this with every Member.

SHRI LAL K. ADVANI (Gandhi Nagar) : Mr. Speaker, Sir, through you, I would like to draw the attention of the House and of the Leader to a very disquieting Report from Moscow. News Agencies have reported this morning that an Emergency has been.

MR. SPEAKER : May I request that unless the news is confirmed, we may not raise that kind of an issue in the sovereign Parliament of ours about a sovereign country? I thought that, you were on a different issue. *(Interruptions)* We can give a little interregnum.

SHRI LAL K. ADVANI : The Government ought to tell us

MR. SPEAKER : I know that. I will talk about it and something will be done.

SHRI LAL K. ADVANI : I will abide by your order.

MR. SPEAKER : Thank you.

SHRI LAL K. ADVANI : Mr. Speaker, Sir, this morning, I have seen a news report which is essentially a report from a news magazine of New York, reporting, the Pakistan Prime Minister speaking in terms of War in the context of Kashmir. I am really amazed and shocked that a statement of this kind should have come from the Pakistan Prime Minister of all persons.

He says : "The Kashmir issue was increasing tension between the two countries. It is of such seriousness that it has the potential to be the cause of yet another War between India and Pakistan.

It is my duty as the Prime Minister of Pakistan to tell India how unhappy we are about this state of affairs."

I am sure that every Indian in the country is unhappy about what is happening in Kashmir. But for the Pakistan Prime Minister to say this is, as they say in Hindi "उल्टा पोर कोतवाल को रुने" After all what is happening in Kashmir today is the result of the politics of murder and mayhem unleashed by no less than Pakistan itself from across the border. On top of that, he should be talking

in terms of unhappiness that this is happening and in a way threatening India with War.

There has been tension between our two countries on the issue of Kashmir for a long time but no one has talked in terms of War as blatantly as the Pakistan Prime Minister has done and therefore, I thought it was necessary that the whole House should take notice of it and let the Pakistan Government and the Pakistan Prime Minister know that here is a democracy where we can have all kinds of differences but when it comes to the question of the country's integrity, when it comes to the question of Kashmir and all that Pakistan has been doing, our response to that is unanimous and unequivocal.

Sir, I am sorry to state that we have been somehow indulgent to all that Pakistan has been doing in international fora and we have allowed it to blatantly violate the Simla Agreement whereunder Pakistan had promised India that it would not raise this matter in international fora and regard Kashmir as a matter to be sorted out bilaterally between India and Pakistan.

Sir, there is no doubt that my Party which was at that time, the Bharatiya Jan Sangh, was unhappy even with the Simla Agreement. We felt that after that great victory that our Army has won in the battlefield, it was an occasion to settle the Kashmir issue once and for all and not to become party to any declaration which says that Kashmir's final settlement is yet to come. That is a different matter.

But at least, Pakistan had abjured itself and agreed not to raise it in the international fora. It is unfortunate that JKLF should have been given hearing at the Sub-Commission of the U. N. It is surprising. I do not know what the Government of India has done in this regard to prevent this whole happening. But what is happening in Kashmir is a matter about which the whole nation is concerned. I think, it would be in the fitness of things, if the Government took us into confidence as to how it is reacting to the situation. A Special Envoy, a Special Messenger, is believed to have come from the Pakistan Prime Minister with a message for the Prime Minister. We do not know what the message is. Is it to express this kind of unhappiness which is reported in the *Newsweek*. This is a matter about which the whole House should take notice and the Government should take the House into confidence.

SHRI SAIFUDDIN CHOUDHURY : It is evident that deep-seated conspiracy is going on to whip up War-kind of situation which is sought to be imposed on India by Pakistan.

The interview of Shri Nawaz Sharif in *Newsweek* is really disturbing. He says that they are unhappy over what is happening in Kashmir.

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And I fully agree with Mr. Lal K. Advani that it is really their making, the way they are aiding the terrorists and helping them to really destabilise the Valley, the political situation there is condemnable. It is really astonishing that they are blaming India for what is happening in Kashmir.

Now, it is not only that a kind of isolated statement came from Mr. Nawaz Sharif, but certain international incidents have taken place. One is that has been referred by Mr. Lal K. Advani about Sub-Commission on Human Rights in Geneva.

Then there is a comment made by the US Ambassador to Pakistan where he said that there could be a war between India and Pakistan in regard to Kashmir; and also he said that Kashmir is not an integral part of India; and the kind of a Resolution that has been passed by the Organisation of Islamic countries. All these are indicative of a deep-rooted conspiracy to really bring India and Pakistan to the brink of a war situation.

Now I demand a comprehensive statement from the Government about all this : how they view the statement that has been made by the Pakistani Prime Minister, what is their reaction to it and what kind of a reaction they are going to make to all the utterances made by US Ambassador to Pakistan, and all that has happened in Geneva and OIC ?

All this is very necessary to create an alertness in the mind of our people; and to really take a stand for the unity and integrity of the country. I demand that a statement should come quickly and we should also be given an opportunity to react and to give our opinions to that.

[*Translation*]

SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES :
Mr. Speaker, Sir, while efforts are being made for reducing tension all over the world, contrary to this in our

sub-continent especially between India and Pakistan, tension is growing continuously. It is quite obvious that our neighbouring country has been creating disturbances for quite a long time in our country especially in the two States viz, Kashmir and Punjab. And it also does not deny this fact.

Before Nawaz Sharif assumed the office of the Prime Minister, Shrimati Bhutto had set up a fund of Rs. 5 crores or 5 million dollars—I do not remember now the exact amount for providing active assistance to elements working for creating tension and terror in Kashmir. So, we know well that this type of involvement is inevitable for the Prime Minister, whosoever he may be, in the politics of Pakistan to make his position strong in his country. And we have faced the disastrous consequences of their evil activities not only once but many a times. Mr. Speaker, Sir, through you, I would like to highlight two things. During the last two-three years there has been many talks in this regard between the Prime Ministers of the two countries. Some details of these talks have always been given to this House. But what are the details of the talks held between our Prime Minister and his Pakistani counterpart, their role in sorting out the differences between the two countries? Keeping in view the statement made by Shri Nawaz Sharif regarding the prevailing situation in Kashmir, this should also be made clear to the House. The House should be taken into confidence.

Secondly, I would like to state that the foreign Secretary of Pakistan is at present in India for holding talks. Though he is our guest and I also

take him as a guest because he has come to India to hold talks on behalf of his country, I would like to know the real intention of such a statement made by the Pak Prime Minister at this juncture. We would like to know the definite information from the Government on this issue. Mr. Speaker, Sir, I would like to state that it is very easy to create tension and to continue it for long. But in view of the poverty and deplorable condition of the South Asian countries, we would like to make all our efforts to reduce tension and controversies instead of increasing them; and all the controversies between the two countries should be solved under the Shimla Pact. Though Lalji said that his Party had opposed this pact at that time, yet when he was in the Government, we all jointly tried honestly to implement that pact. Thus, we all are bound to abide by the provisions of Shimla Pact. Therefore, we still want that we, with all our might, should try to solve all the controversies in the light of the Shimla Pact.

[English]

SHRI CHANDRA JEET YADEV (Azamgarh) : Mr. Speaker, Sir, the issue which has been raised by the Leader of the Opposition, I think, is a matter of serious national concern. What I feel personally concerned is that the Government of India is not reacting as it should react to such a situation, which directly concerns our sovereignty and security of our country. Now what is happening in Pakistan and Pakistan's approach on this issue is very well known. For several months, the former Chief of Staff of Pakistan, Mr. Aslam Beg, was

talking about a war between India and Pakistan on the issue of Kashmir. He was making public statements even on the border and occupied area of Kashmir by Pakistan. And the present General is also making the same kind of statement. And this interview of the Prime Minister of Pakistan, Sir, is a matter of very serious concern. They are taking full advantage of the Kashmir situation and we feel to be isolated. I have a feeling that because of the ambiguous stand of the Government of India, they are failing in their duty to create a public opinion in our favour and isolate Pakistan. Pakistan's leadership is giving a call that there can be a war between India and Pakistan. Sir, I think, this is a matter of serious concern.

Sir, I have sent a letter to you this morning that one important Labour Leader Mr. Gerald Kauffman visiting Kashmir on our invitation, on the invitation of the Government of India, and making statements against us on this important issue giving strength to what Pakistan's leadership is saying. This also needs to be clarified. When Mr. Gerald Kauffman was visiting our country on our invitation, how was he allowed to go to Kashmir and make all kinds of statements when he was our guest here. Did the Government take the trouble of at least seeking his personal clarification as to how did he make a public statement which goes against our stand on Kashmir? Therefore, all these things together become a matter of serious concern.

I hope that our Prime Minister should have taken note of the interview of the Prime Minister of Pakistan and must have got in touch with

him. We would like to know whether the Prime Minister has got in touch with the Prime Minister of Pakistan.

Every one of us agree on Simla Agreement .. (*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER : Please conclude.

SHRI CHANDRA JEET YADAV : Sir, we want to be friendly with Pakistan and the people of India and Pakistan want to be friendly with each other. But if the leadership of Pakistan will go on making this kind of statement .. (*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER : It goes without saying that we want friendship.

SHRI CHANDRA JEET YADAV : This goes without saying. That is why, it has become an important thing.

Let the Prime Minister—not certainly the Leader of the House should stand up and make a spontaneous reaction right now—come and make a statement on this issue.

MR. SPEAKER : Shri Wasnik, please complete in one minute. Please do not make it a speech.

SHRI MUKUL BALKRISHNA WASNIK (Buldana) : The other day the honourable Home Minister Shri Chavan had assured in the House that as he has not gone through the speech of Mr. Kauffman, the shadow Foreign Secretary of the United Kingdom, regarding his reported statements in the press concerning Kashmir. He had also assured that he would first go through his statement and would come before the House. The issue which has been raised by the Leader of the Opposition, is really very important. It concerns the security, sovereignty

and integrity of the nation. Pakistan in the last few weeks has been whipping anti-India feeling through various forums everywhere in the world. Not only that. The Organisation of Islamic Countries as well as the Amnesty International have been requesting that their delegations should be given permission to visit Kashmir.

MR. SPEAKER : Now you are widening the scope and going to other areas.

SHRI MUKUL BALKRISHNA WASNIK : All these things are happening. I would like that the Government should make a comprehensive statement on whatever is happening from Pakistan's side and at the same time what the Government of India is doing to counter the anti-India feeling being generated by Pakistan through various forums in the world.

SHRI FRANK ANTHONY (Nominated Anglo-Indian) : I happened to be on the Defence Council from the time of the Viceroy's Defence Council. In 1971 I was called at midnight by Indira Gandhi, the then Prime Minister, to a defence meeting. She told us : "Pakistan has committed aggression. It has sent its bombers to attack Agra and Ambala where we have our front rank Air Force. Pakistan has committed aggression. We are now at war with Pakistan." Her last words were "fight well, my countrymen". If Pakistan attacks us every India will join in repelling the attack. But I think, we should leave the matter to the Prime Minister. Our Chief of Army Staff has just gone to America. The American feeling has become

pro-India. So it is better to leave the matter to the Prime Minister, And I have no doubt that he will be able to assess the position accurately. We will not go to war unless Pakistan commits aggression on us.

SHRI INDER JIT (Darjeeling) : We need to take serious note of two grave developments. Both have been mentioned by the Leader of the Opposition. One is in regard to the reported statement of Pakistan's Prime Minister. Pakistan has already unleashed a proxy war on us. Now it is threatening an open war. I therefore support the demand made for a comprehensive statement from the Prime Minister on this particular subject. I am happy that the Prime Minister did clarify from the Red Fort that there is no question of any third party intervention in regard to the Kashmir issue. But this matter needs to be made abundantly clear from the floor of the House, and also in regard to the visit of Mr. Kaufman and related matters.

MR. SPEAKER : I am not allowing that matter to go on record. You will not make any general reference.

SHRI INDER JIT*.

MR. SPEAKER : I am not allowing any reference to be made to that point unless it is confirmed.

(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER : Now please let me say something on the point which has already been raised.

The issue is vital. We should deal with it with the attention it deserves. The representative of the Government

of Pakistan is in India. He would certainly be treated as an honoured guest as is our practice. We would not depend only on what has appeared in the newspapers and magazines. By adopting appropriate methods, the text and tenor of it should be ascertained. And I am sure, the House is interested in knowing the factual position on this.

SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES : I have given notice of an adjournment motion on the Meghalaya situation, where the Government is all set to topple the Lyngdoh Government. We had raised this matter here before the House was adjourned for the weekend. Sir, this Government have refused to give any answer. Some noise was made from the other side, but I heard, on the authority of the Leader of my Party that the Prime Minister had assured him in a private discussion—two days ago I raised the matter on the floor of the House on Thursday—that nothing will be done in Meghalaya to disturb the present Government. It seems to me now that the Government is being toppled, all arrangements have been made for it, and I want, Sir, to move my motion for adjournment of the House to discuss this very important matter.

MR. SPEAKER : You can do it only after I give my consent.

(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER : I think you have taken one hour and 15 minutes for raising matters.

*Nor recorded.