

## LOK SABHA DEBATES

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Wednesday, March 16, 1988/Phalguna 26,  
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The Lok Sabha met at

Eleven of the Clock

[MR. SPEAKER *in the Chair*]

### ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

[*English*]

#### **Pact Between PLA and TNV**

\*303. SHRI BAJU BAN RIYAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the Tribal National Volunteers and People's Liberation Army have made a pact in respect of their cooperations;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the measures contemplated in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) No such information about any pact between People's Liberation Army (PLA) and the Tribal National Volunteers (TNV) has been received by the Government. However there

are reports that PLA is striving to have links with TNV.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) A close watch is being maintained on the activities of these organisations which have been declared as 'unlawful associations'.

SHRI BAJU BAN RIYAN: Sir, the first part of my question whether India has made any pact with the Burma Government for a combined flushing operation in Burma's Western border area so that the hideouts of the PLA can be restored?

SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI: I could not hear what he said.

SHRI BAJU BAN RIYAN: Whether Indian Government has made any agreement with the Government of Burma to combine the flushing operation to check the PLA hideouts in Burmese area?

SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI: There is no kind of such agreement. But we are having negotiations, talks with the Government of Burma to see that these activities in the border are checked.

SHRI BAJU BAN RIYAN: In this respect, I request the Government to look to the news item which appeared in 'Amritabazar', date 19.1.1988 where details are given. My second question is whether there is any information that more than one Minister in the Congress(I) and TUJS alliance in Tripura are directly involved with the Tripura National Volunteers and Peoples Liberation

Army in this respect about which the correspondence has appeared in the local dailies?

SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI: I hope the fact is otherwise. One Mr. Dinanda Jamatia and his whole group of nearly about 80 members when they surrendered, they joined the CPM, they became their cadres *(Interruptions)*

SHRI SAIFUDDIN CHOWDHARY: After surrendering *(Interruptions)*

SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI: Our reports are that *(Interruptions)*

You have asked the question and I am answering *(Interruptions)*

SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA: You reply to the question *(Interruptions)*

SHRI SAIFUDDIN CHOWDHARY: He is distorting.

MR. SPEAKER: Order, Order.

*(Interruptions)*

SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA: That was not his question *(Interruptions)*

SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI: Neither TUJS nor any Minister of Congress (I) is involved with TNV or PLA. For the information of the Hon. Member, TUJS, at every time, wanted that the entire State of Tripura should be declared a disturbed area to check TNV activities. Therefore, there is no question of any link with TNV or PLA. It is only the CPM cadres and the ex-Chief Minister of Tripura who went and visited all the relatives of TNV guerillas. He was visiting their relatives. When he was asked as to why he was visiting and contacting their relatives, he said that he was trying to persuade them so

that the TNV gives up the terrorist activity. It is the CPM which *(Interruptions)*... I answered his question, what do you mean by that? *(Interruptions)*... You are in league with the TNV guerillas. They are in your cadres. And therefore when we declared it as a disturbed area, you are so much agitated... *(Interruptions)*...

SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA: I want to know whether the Government is aware of the fact that Tripura National Volunteers Force Tripura anti-national Volunteers force-is trained in Bangladesh and Bangladesh is being used as a hinterland. I would like to know whether this matter has ever been taken up with the Bangladesh Government by the Government of India.

SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI: About all these activities of the TNV guerillas, we are taking up with the neighbouring Government.

SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA : I would like to know whether the Prime Minister has taken up this matter, that the TNV guerillas are being trained there, with them.

#### **Advanced Computer Research Centre at Pune**

\*304. SHRI K.S. RAO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal to set up an Advanced Computer Research Centre at Pune to design and manufacture super computers in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of expenditure likely to be incurred on the establishment of the Centre and when it will be established; and

(d) whether any foreign company is