

## RAJYA SABHA

Thursday, the 11th November, 1983/ 26th  
Kartika 1905 (Saka)

The House met at eleven' of the clock. Mr.

Deputy Chairman in the Chair.

### ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

#### Arrest of extremists in Punjab

\*41. SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN f  
SHRI SYED RAHMAT ALI.

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be  
pleased to state;

(a) the number of terrorists and  
extremists so far arrested in Punjab;

(b) the number amongst them who "have  
been charge-sheeted;

(c) the names and particulars of criminals  
who are alleged to have taken shelter in  
Gurdwaras;

(d) whether those criminals have  
been proclaimed as absconding;

(e) whether the names and particulars of  
such absconders have been conveyed to the  
Gurdwara authorities; and

(f) if so, the response thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE  
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI  
NIHAR RANJAN LASKAR): <a) 832 such  
persons have been arrested till 10th  
November, 1983.

(b) 329.

(c) to (f) A list of persons who are  
so far reported to be hiding in Golden  
Temple complex is laid on the Table  
of the House. Most of these persons  
have been declared proclaimed  
offenders. While such a list cannot at  
any time be exhaustive, particulars of  
such persons have been conveyed by the State  
Government and the local police to the  
SGPC authorities from

tThe question was actually asked on the  
floor of the House by Shri Syed Shahabuddin.

time to time to hand them over to ' the police.  
The SGPC authorities have not extended any  
cooperation in this regard so far.

#### Statement

List of wanted persons reported to be hiding  
in Golden Temple Complex •.

#### Names

1. Parsa Singh
2. Dalbir Singh
3. Gopal Singh Shaheed
4. Balbir Singh Sandhu
5. Surinder Singh Gill
6. Sukhdev Singh
7. Sulakhan Singh
8. Rajinder Singh Mehta
9. Harminder Singh Sandhu
10. Swaran Singh
11. Anokh Singh
12. Amritpal Singh
13. Satinderjit Singh
14. Ranjit Singh
15. Gian Singh
16. Qabal Singh
17. Jagir Singh
18. Thakar Singh
19. Nand Singh
20. Major Singh
21. Gurmukh Singh
22. Sewa Singh
23. Amarjit Singh
24. Gurnam Singh
25. Balwant Singh
26. Jaswant Singh
27. Jagjit- Singh
28. Kulwant Singh Jagadhriwala.
29. Sowaran Singh
30. Lakha Singh
31. Dhana Singh
32. Joga Singh
33. Bukan Singh
34. Major Singh >
35. Kala Singh

- 36. Surinder Singh
- 37. Jasbir Singh
- 38. Kuldip Singh
- 39. Harpreet Singh
- 40. Sukhdev Singh
- 41. Joginder Singh
- 42. Karam Singh
- 43. Mukhtiar Singh
- 44. Arjan Singh
- 45. Daljit Singh

SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN: Mr. Deputy Chairman, Sir, the list that has been tabled by the Government consists of 45 names. It does not give any particulars, which I had asked for. Even the parentage or the normal place of residence or the charges against them have not been mentioned. It just gives the names. The hon. Minister has said in his reply that particulars have been conveyed from time to time to the SGPC authorities. We do not know what particulars have been conveyed. Only names might have been conveyed to them, if only these names have been conveyed to them, it does not mean anything because these are merely a set of names and there can be hundreds of persons of the same name. Unless you provide detailed particulars which are required in law, for example, the parentage, normal occupation place of residence, charges against them, which magistrate has declared them as absconders or as proclaimed offenders, whether their photographs are available, whether these photographs have been given to the Gurdwara authorities, nothing can be done. Mr. Deputy Chairman. I am raising these questions because this has become a highly sensitive issue in the country. Much is being made of the allegations that Gurudwara and places of worship are being used as sanctuaries by criminals and by extremist and terrorist elements. Now, as far as I understand, I have been to the Golden Temple complex, the Golden Temple complex includes a number of buildings which are used as some sort of dharamsalas, which are open to any Sikh who go

there for one day or two days or ten days and stay there. I am told that a register is maintained which lists the names of the persons who come to stay there and they sign there. But a person can also give false name. Now, unless the Gurudwara authorities are told about the details of these persons, about the particulars of these persons and I am particularly anxious that photographs of these persons in the possession of the Government should be provided to them, they cannot do anything. After all, a proclaimed offender may be unknown to these authorities and he may go there one day and come away the next day. He may again go back and come out of these dharamsalas without the knowledge of these authorities. Therefore, if the Government's intention is to seek bona fide co-operation from the SGPC authorities, what is essential is to provide means to them of judging whether particular persons who have any connection with terrorist activities and who are inside these dharamsalas, inside the complex, are among those wanted by the police. Therefore, Sir, my first question is I want to know specifically whether the Government have the particulars of these persons and whether these particulars have been conveyed to the SGPC authorities, like parentage, normal place of residence, charges against them, dates on which they were declared proclaimed offenders and their photographs? This is the first question that I am asking.

SHRI P. C. SETHI: As far as the names are concerned, apart from the names their addresses have also been given to them. In some cases where we have the photographs available, they have been given. As far as proclaimed offenders are concerned they have been declared proclaimed offenders on various charges. We have certainly not given the list of charges. But, as yet, there has been response from them. Yesterday Mr. Tohra has given a statement which has appeared in the *Tribune*, that he had never made a statement that if a

list is supplied to them, they are prepared to hand over the culprits. He added that any such statement appearing in the press was false.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Yes, your second question.

SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN: This is not a complete answer, because if you look at part (c) of my question. it asks for not just the names of the criminals but asks for names and particulars. The Government admits that in the case of at least some of them, they have the necessary particulars. Why don't they give us those particulars?

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: You ask your second question.

SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN: My second question is about a specific person who is very well known, Sant Jarnail Singh Bindranwale. About him, there is no doubt that he is in the Golden Temple Complex. The Government have off and on made statements as if he is an arch criminal and there are many charges against him. I would like to know from the Government, why is it that his name does not appear in this list? As far as I have seen, the name 'Bhindranwale' does not appear here in this list. And secondly, whether the Government have any specific charges of cognizable character against him and when his name was put on this wanted list.

SHRI P. C. SETHI: As I have said. we have given the addresses of these persons; of course, we have not supplied the charges, but we have got the list of the charges against these persons. I have also said that this list is not exhaustive, it goes on changing from time to time as the situation changes, people come out and go in and, therefore, this is a list which was supplied to them from time to time, and not only once, but about 9 times the State authorities and high dignitaries of the State have written to them to hand them over.

SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN: I asked about Bhindranwale.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: What about Bhindranwale?

SHRI P. C. SETHI: There are cases challaned against Bhindranwale but they are prepared to hand him over.

SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN: But. is he on the wanted list? Why is his name not here in the list.

SHRI P. C. SETHI: He has been challaned against various cases but he has not been declared proclaimed offender as yet.. . (Interruptions).

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Why? Why?

श्री रामेश्वर सिंह : उनके पास हथियार हैं . . . . (अवधान)

श्री उपसभापति : आप बैठिये, वह बतला रहे हैं।

SHRI P. C. SETHI: This has to be done by the court.. . (Interruptions). Charge has been made time and again that Bhindranwale is our creation; but we have always denied that this is not correct .....{Interruptions),

SHRI A. G. KULKARNI: Have you moved the court that Bhindranwale should be proclaimed as offender? Sir, he is not replying, whether he has moved the court.. (Interruptionx). He says court has to do it. What is this? His reply must be complete.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I have not called you, Mr. Kulkarni.

SHRI A. G. KULKARNI: But his reply is not complete. I am a Member here and I want to get a complete reply. Let him say. I want to know whether the Government has moves: the court or not. That is the implication. Government is very son tff Bhindranwale.

श्री रामेश्वर सिंह : बात छिपानी नहीं चाहिए। उनको बतलाने का मौका देना चाहिए।

श्री संयद रहमत अली :  
जनाब डिप्टी चैयरमेन साहब, मैं इस बात पर अपने दुःख का इजहार करना चाहता हूँ कि इस हाऊस में अभी इस व्यवस्था का जवाब आनरेबल होम मिनिस्टर साहब ने दिया है और उस पर ज़िम्मेदार बनने के बहाने बहुत से अपोजीशन मेम्बर अभी सदन पर खड़े हो जाते हैं। यह खुद उनके अंदाज़े-फ़िक्र को बेनकाब करने वाली हरकत है, मैं यह जानता हूँ। (व्यवधान)

जनाब डिप्टी चैयरमेन साहब, यह बात पार्लियामेंटरी आदब और मेरे मित्रों के खिलाफ़ है कि सर्वोपेक्षी के सोके पर किसी किस्म की तकरीर झाड़ने की कोशिश की जाए, लेकिन मेरे सीधे ज़माने जो बुराई बँटे हैं, इन्होंने यह ग़लत किस्म की रवायत इस हाऊस में शायम की है। उनके नज़रे इंसान पर चलते हुए मैं सरकार से यह बात पुछना चाहता हूँ कि सबहरी मुसलमान पर, जो इबादत करने को, खुदा को याद करने की और अपने कुलहों की नापी मापने की जगह होती है... (व्यवधान)

† [श्री संयद रहमत अली : ज़माना]

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[ ] Transliteration in Arabic Script.

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ये जानता हूँ... (मداخلत)

ज़माना डिप्टी चैयरमेन साहब  
ये बात पार्लियामेंटरी आदब और मेरे  
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होती है... (मداخلत)

SHRI SYKD SHAHABUDDIN: I object to the word 'Ghaleez'. It means dirty. Is it Parliamentary? It should be withdrawn. The word 'Ghaleez' is unparliamentary.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN; I will see the record. I have not heard the word.

श्री संयद रहमत अली : आप रिज़ाई  
पूरी तरह से देख लें। मैं कोई बात आदब  
के खिलाफ़ नहीं यह रहा हूँ। मैं सिर्फ़ यह  
जानना चाहता हूँ कि अभी पार्लियामेंट  
मरज़मन्दियों के लिए इबादतग़ाहों को

اگر اسیوجیجن پارٹیاں اپنی پناہگاہ بنانا چاہتی ہیں تو کیا سرکار کوئی مرکز کی قانون بنانے کے بارے میں سوچ رہی ہے اور اگر نہیں سوچ رہی تو میں سمجھاؤں گا کہ جو ملک اور ملک کے خلاف کام کرنے والوں کے اوپر وہ کوئی پابندی نہیں لگانا چاہتی؟ میں سرکار سے دوڑنے والا ہے کہ اس بات کا جواب چاہتا ہوں کہ مجھ کے نام پر میڈیا کی دکانداروں کے ناموں کے لیے کیا کوئی پابندی لگانے کے لیے کیا کوئی مرکز کی قانون بنایا جائیگا؟

† [شری سید رحمت نامی : آپ

دیکھ کر پوری طرح سے دیکھ لیں۔ میں کوئی بات آپ کے خلاف نہیں کر رہا ہوں۔ میں صرف یہ جاننا چاہتا ہوں کہ اپنی سیاسی فرہمندیوں کے لئے یہاں سے کوئی اور ایجنسی یا ایجنسیوں کو اگر ایجنسی یا ایجنسیوں کو اپنی پناہ گاہ بنانا چاہتی ہیں تو کیا سرکار کوئی مرکز کی قانون بنانے کے بارے میں سوچ رہی ہے اور اگر نہیں سوچ رہی ہے تو میں سمجھاؤں گا کہ جو دیہی اور وطن کے خلاف کام کرنے والوں کے اوپر وہ کوئی پابندی نہیں لگانا چاہتی۔ میں سرکار سے دوڑتا ہوں کہ اس بات کا جواب چاہتا ہوں کہ مذہب کے نام پر سیاسی دکانداروں کے ناموں پر پابندی

لگائے کے لئے کیا کوئی مرکز کی قانون بنایا جائے گا۔

SHRI P. C. SETHI: Sir, as far as the law is concerned, I have already informed the House many a time that the law does not prohibit in regard to entering into the holy places. But as far as the Golden Temple is concerned, in deference to the sentiments of the Sikh community, Government has not done so.

SHRI KHUSHWANT SINGH: I would like to know from the hon. Home Minister whether it is correct that some of the members of the Akali Party on their list are not in the Golden Temple but are abroad.

Secondly, you must have read that the brain behind the extremist group is a certain lady by the name of Amarjit Kaur; our colleague in this House. She does not need guns to kill people. This is the name of the lady in the precincts of the Golden Temple. Many papers have mentioned her role behind the extremists. And does the Home Minister have any knowledge about literature published by these terrorist organisations because most of them do, in fact, publish material and send them abroad? Even the most senseless gang like the Baader-Meinhoff has published literature. I would like to know from the hon. Home Minister whether he knows what these different organisations are and what they have published.

Finally, how is it that the name of Talwinder Singh, who is supposed to be one of the brains behind this, has not been mentioned in the list of absconders? He is said to be in Germany at the moment.

SHRI P. C. SETHI: Sir, as far as the lady is concerned, about whom, the hon. Member has mentioned, she was a Member of this House once upon a time. She is not hiding in the Golden Temple. She often goes out.

She had been to Patna. She was recently in Delhi. She is not hiding there. She is moving about.

As far as Talwinder Singh is concerned, he is not in the Golden Temple. He is in Germany. He has to be brought back here. But a court case is going on there. Our people had gone to Germany to bring him. But on account of the court case, he has not been brought as yet.

**श्री रामेश्वर सिंह :** नाम के लोजिए ।

**SHRI P. C. SETHI:** This is the list of persons who are said to be in the Golden Temple.

**SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN:** What about the literature?

**श्री बुद्ध प्रिय मौर्य :** माननीय उपसभापति जी, माननीय गृह मंत्री जी ने एक्सट्रीमिस्ट्स या उग्रवादियों की गिरफ्तारी की संख्या देते समय यह भी बताने की कृपा की थी कि कुछ गैर-कानूनी हथियार उन के पास मिले जिन के लाइसेंस उन के पास नहीं थे। मैं केवल यह जानना चाहता हूँ कि उग्रवादियों से जो हथियार गिरफ्तार के दौरान मिले हैं या दूसरे रेड में मिले हैं उन पर क्या विदेशी मार्केज हैं और उस तरह के हथियारों का लाइसेंस हिन्दुस्तान में बैन है, उन को भारत सरकार लाइसेंस नहीं देती ? और क्या उन उग्रवादियों से जांच पड़ताल करते समय, उन से पूछताछ करते समय गृह मंत्री जी को पूछताछ करने वाले अधिकारियों के जरिए यह भी जानकारी हुई है कि उनमें से कुछ ऐसे भी हैं जिन की ट्रेनिंग पाकिस्तान में हुई है और उन में से कुछ ने यह भी स्वीकार किया है कि उन को और भी देशों से सहायता मिल रही है, हथियार, ट्रेनिंग और पैसों के तौर पर ?

**SHRI P. C. SETHI:** As far as the question of arms recovered and their markings is concerned, we have not

yet received any report about the details or these, but- as far as smuggling of these arms across the border is concerned, it is possible that some of the arms might be smuggled across the border although there are heavy check posts there. However, all possible efforts are being made by our defence personnel and the Border Security Force to see that the foreign arms do not come in. We have not been able to arrest any such persons who have received any training in the foreign country.

**DR. BHAI MAHAVIR:** Sir, we do

not know what to make of a situation like this. The Government all I long has been saying that there are people hiding in the Golden Temple and the Akali Leaders have all along been denying this. How do we come to know the truth? Sir, on the one side the Government has said it and the Prime Minister has said it most unequivocally that she does not intend to send the police into the Golden Temple, in fact she has also said that she is being pressurised to send the police, I do not know who is pressurising her.

**SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI:** I have never said that I am being pressurised.

**DR. BHAI MAHAVIR:** That has been reported in the press and if the Prime Minister wishes to deny, she is welcome to do so, but that is what was reported in the press.

**SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI:** May I repeat what I have said here if not once at least a hundred times, that I am not correctly reported in the press. I do not intend to deny all that appears in the press. Otherwise, my whole time would be spent in that exercise.

**DR. BHAI MAHAVIR:** It is very good that the Prime Minister is not being pressurised to do anything, but then she has taken a decision on her own not to send the police into the Golden Temple.

**SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI:** I have not said this. All that you might have read in the press may or may

not be correct. I have not said anything about sending or not sending the police nor about being pressurised or not being pressurised.

DR. BHAI MAHAVIR: This is something which is a news because : now she says that she has not said anything about it.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: The Minister has just now said that they do not wish to send the police.

DR. BHAI MAHAVIR: All right. Otherwise also when that is the policy of the Government - I do not know why the Prime Minister wishes to deny this particular statement.

SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI: Only because I have not made it. I am not talking about policy. The Hon'ble Member has taken my name and I am replying that I have not made any such statement.

DR. BHAI MAHAVIR: All right, a dozen times this thing has come in the press. *(Interruptions).*

SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI: But that does not make it true.

DR. BHAI MAHAVIR: If that is so, that is a compliment to our press. I do not know how the press will take it. Well, is there a way out of this situation or not? Short of sending the police in, has the Government given thought to some proposal to have a list and send some judicial officer with the cooperation of the authorities of the Golden Temple to verify the truth or otherwise of this particular thing? That is because the country has a right to know how this riddle is going to be solved. And, in this context I would like to know if the Government is prepared to publish the CBI report into the inquiry which they conducted into the murder of DIG Atwal.

SHRI P. C. SETHI: As for the people who are there, the Govern-

ment has even suggested to the SGPC authorities to agree to constitute a committee of five representatives of the SGPC and five others, independent Sikhs, and let them visit the Gurudwara, Nanak Niwas and other places, and let them come to a conclusion, but they have not responded to this. As far as the CBI report on the murder of DIG Atwal is concerned, the matter is actively and progressively under investigation. We are not in a position to say anything about this inquiry at the present juncture.

DR. BHAI MAHAVIR: The report has been made by the CBI.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: We discussed Punjab for full one day. I am not going to allow you to enter into this discussion.

SHRI P. C. SETHI: It is not necessary that.....

SHRI SAT PAUL MITTAL: Much noise is being made by the Opposition .....

DR. BHAI MAHAVIR: The Home Minister said something. We have not followed what he wanted to say.

SHRI P. C. SETHI: I have said that whatever CBI says interimly to the Government, it is not necessary that we should publish it, or put it before this hon'ble House..

DR. BHAI MAHAVIR: Is it necessary that it should be concealed?

SHRI P. C. SETHI: There is no question, of concealing it, but it would not be in the interest of the investigation itself.

SHRI SAT PAUL MITTAL: Much noise is being made here by the Opposition parties.....

SHRI MANUBHAI PATEL: You are adding to it.

SHRI SAT PAUL MITTAL: Doesn't matter, I am not yielding. Much

noise is being made by the Opposition parties about inclusion or exclusion of one name or the other, I want to know from the hon. Minister whether it is not a fact that outstanding leaders of the Opposition parties have baled out the Akali Dal by visiting the precincts of Golden Temple and declaring that no extremist is hiding there. Is it not a fact? And they belong to the leadership of the Opposition—the Janata Party and other parties—who have gone and visited and tried to bale out the Akali Dal. Is it not a fact? Now on what basis are they raising the question that that name is not included and that name is excluded from it? I want to know this from the hon. Minister.

SHRI P. C. SETHI: This has appeared many times that some leaders of the Opposition visited Golden Temple and after having visited the Golden Temple, they have said that they have not found any undesirable person there.

SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR: That is an aspersion. You name the leader.

SHRI SAT PAUL MITTAL: They include one who was your leader....

SHRI P. C. SETHI: I need not name them. You know all those persons.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: He need not name them.

SHRI MANUBHAI PATEL: This is not a problem on which we should agitate in a manner which will not help in solving the problem. Our attitude is to help in solving this national problem. But it seems the attitude of the Government is negative. I wanted to put this in the presence of the hon. Prime Minister, but she has gone. Through the Home Minister, I would like to know, the Prime Minister has made a statement that it was her mistake to involve the opposition in solving this problem. She has said that Again in some recent meeting, she said: "I want the cooperation of the Opposition". Now Janata Party

General Secretary, Mr. Shahabuddin has come out openly, even at some danger to himself and he has named such an offender. I do not know how the Home Ministry is going to give him protection. He has named and I do not know why the Government is afraid of taking any action. Even Mr. Kulkarni has said that the Home Minister has not moved the court. So I would like to know whether the Government wants really constructive cooperation of the Opposition as far as this problem is to be solved.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: The problem has been discussed for one day. Now put the question.

SHRI MANUBHAI PATEL: No\* Party from the Opposition subscribes to any violent action and we never support terrorist activity. We believe in lawful agitation which is based on non-violent and peaceful methods.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: That is all right. Put the question.

SHRI MANUBHAI PATEL: No Mr. Sat Paul Mittal was alleging directly that Janata Party are the people who are agitating, that they visited the Golden Temple etc. as it we are inciting this agitation. On the contrary, it is our effort to conciliate and see that some solution comes out and to be helpful to the agitation and to the Government. My question is to the Government. My question is....

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: There is no question. You are only going on giving a lecture.

SHRI MANUBHAI PATEL: The terrorists come on a motor-cycle and shoot down in broad daylight openly. The terrorists come in white Ambassador cars and shoot at noon time and run away. What is your CBI doing? Central Intelligence only has to follow afterwards. They do not know when the atmosphere is so surcharged with violence and they know that certain squads are very active.



MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I thin\* you are going beyond the scope of the question. I think I won't allow this. It is not a debate. ... [Inter ruption] ..... You read the question. ... (Interruptions). ... I will not allow this. You put the question. This is not a debate. One full day debate we had on Punjab. If you are not satisfied with it, that is a different matter.

SHRI MANUBHAI PATEL: Will the Government deploy special central intelligence forces in order to detect these terrorist squads and will the Government also take action as suggested by Mr. Kulkarni and Mr. Shahabuddin?

SHRI P. C. SETHI: Sir, we do have a central intelligence agency there in Punjab and from time to time we have been receiving their reports as well as the reports from the CIB of Punjab. As far as the suggestion of Mr. Shahabuddin and Mr. Kulkarni are concerned, I do not know to which suggestions the hon. Member is referring because they have made many suggestions.

SHRI MANUBHAI PATEL: Will you ask the court to declare him an offender?

SHRI P. C. SETHI: We will certainly consider this.

#### Uranium deposits

\*42. SRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact the Atomic Minerals Division has recently dis-

covered deposits of uranium in various parts of the country;

(b) if so, what are the names of the States and districts where such "uranium deposits have been discovered and the details of such places in Andhra Pradesh;

(c) whether any exploration activities are contemplated in various geologically favourable areas applying modern methods to exploit these natural resources; and

(d) if so, what are the areas earmarked and by when the whole survey is proposed to be completed and what are the other associated minerals that are likely to be available in these places?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, ATOMIC ENERGY, SPACE, ELECTRONIC AND OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SHIVRAJ, Y. PATIL): (a) to (d) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

#### STATEMENTS

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Names of the states with districts where the Uranium occurrences have been recently located by the Atomic Minerals Division are given, below:—

| State             | District                                      |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| Andhra Pradesh    | Mehboobnagar, Nalgonda, Nellore and Prakasam. |
| Arunachal Pradesh | West Kameng.                                  |
| Bihar             | Singbhum, Palamau.                            |
| Himachal Pradesh  | Hamirpur, Kulu, Kannaur, Simla, Chamba.       |
| Jammu & Kashmir   | Udhampur.                                     |
| Karnataka         | North Kanara and South Kanara.                |
| Madhya Pradesh    | Rajnandgaon, Sarguja and Bilaspur.            |
| Meghalaya         | West Khasi Hills & Care Hills.                |
| Rajasthan         | Udaipur and Alwar.                            |
| Sikkim            | West and East Sikkim.                         |
| Uttar Pradesh     | Tehri-Garwal, Saharanpur and Dehradun.        |