

## INCIDENT IN NAGALAND

**Mr. Speaker:** I have received notice of another adjournment motion by Shri Hem Barua, which reads thus:

"The situation of violent tension and insecurity prevailing in the new State of Nagaland due to the continued activities of the Naga hostiles, a fact which has been galvanised into new dimensions, as revealed by the reported incident of the Chairman of the Interim Council of Nagaland Mr. Inkongliba Ao being shot in the abdomen in Mokokchung, a sub-divisional town of Nagaland yesterday, i.e. 22nd August, 1961."

Is the situation very grave there? The hon. Prime Minister.

**Shri Hem Barua (Gauhati):** May I make a submission?

**Mr. Speaker:** I have called the hon. Prime Minister.

**The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru):** No, I do not think it is at all grave. It is not a happy fact that Dr. Ao was shot at. A person carrying a pistol under his shawl suddenly shot him, in a part of this Mokokchung village or small town and ran away. It is very unfortunate. But that does not mean that the whole place is in a tense state. Fortunately, Dr. Ao was operated upon immediately, and he is progressing satisfactorily. Our commissioner is on his way to Mokokchung to see him. This kind of thing is more an indication of despairing tactics of the hostiles, this kind of terrorist activity here and there, than of any large-scale upheaval. I do not think that there is anything more to be said about it.

**Mr. Speaker:** It is not a general thing; it is only a casual one. When people lose what they wanted, they may take to some tactics like this. What more does the hon. Member want to say?

**Shri Hem Barua:** This very incident of Dr. Inkongliba Ao, chairman of the

Interim Council of the new State of Nagaland being shot at and wounded in the abdomen in broad daylight in the subdivisional town of Mokokchung in the Naga Hills is a matter of deep concern and sorrow for us all. And I congratulate the Prime Minister for giving us the information that he is progressing rapidly. But, on the other hand, this very incident that was perpetrated in the heart of the town at mid-day pinpoints two things.

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, order. I am not going to allow all this.

**Shri Hem Barua:** One is that even after the inauguration of the new State of Nagaland, the activities of the hostiles have not come to an end, and we have not been able to do anything to see that the Naga Hills no more runs red with blood. It has been running red with blood for the last one decade. We want the Army to comb these areas. But the Army has not been able to comb these areas. That is why these incidents are happening...

**Mr. Speaker:** The hon. Member is bringing it up almost every second day.

**Shri Jawaharlal Nehru:** We all deeply regret this. The facts are these. I have just got a further message that this man or this assailant came to talk to Dr. Ao, with a shawl. They were together, walking and talking, when suddenly, the man threw his shawl away and shot him down. What could the Army do about it?

**Shri Hem Barua:** May I submit that the very fact that the Army or the police could not arrest the man who committed a crime in the heart of the town at mid-day is a reflection?

**Shri Jawaharlal Nehru:** I can say nothing about it. But these little towns or villages in the area are on the verge of the forests, and a person can easily run away. However, these are the facts.

**Mr. Speaker:** I do not think I am called upon to give my consent to this adjournment motion. This is a stray incident, but it is unfortunate. Hon. Members will realise that when even the tallest man of our country goes, somebody stands up before him and tries to shoot him. So, one cannot prevent all that.

**Shri Hem Barua:** May I submit that my contention is that this is part of a whole scheme?....

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, order. I have disallowed this adjournment motion.

**ALLEGED PAKISTANI ATTACK ON  
NANDPUR IN JAMMU**

**Mr. Speaker:** I have received notice of another adjournment motion from Shri Balraj Madhok. He says that he received this information on telephone. His adjournment motion reads thus:

"Serious situation created by Pakistani attack with automatic weapons including mortars on Nandpur in Ramgarh sector in Jammu district of Jammu and Kashmir State on 21st and 22nd of August, 1961, resulting in many casualties and panic in the area."

I wanted to know exactly from where he got this information. He says:

"I received this information on telephone last night from a very responsible public man of Jammu. Many people from the border area have come to Jammu for shelter with harrowing tales of the attack which continued for many hours. The site is the same where some two years back Pakistanis killed our 11 soldiers and one officer".

**Shri Harish Chandra Mathur (Pali)**  
rose—

**Mr. Speaker:** I mentioned the name of Shri Madhok, not Mathur. They are poles apart.

**Shri Balraj Madhok (New Delhi):** The Ramgarh sector is on the Jammu-Sialkot border. It is not on the cease-

fire line. It is between Jammu district and Sialkot district. This is the border nearest to Pakistan, only 20 miles from Jammu City. In this sector, there have been repeated attacks by Pakistan. This is the latest attack. It took place in the night on August 21/22. The firing continued the whole night on both sides.

**Mr. Speaker:** Who is the responsible gentleman who gave this information on the telephone?

**Shri Balraj Madhok:** He is the Secretary of the Jammu City Praja Parishad, Shri Gopal Sachar.

**Shri Inder J. Malhotra (Jammu and Kashmir):** He is not the Secretary of the Parishad. The Secretary is Shri Ram Kumar Kaushal. I come from Jammu and I know.

**Shri Ram Krishan Gupta (Mahendragarh):** Moreover, he is not responsible also.

**Shri Balraj Madhok:** My information is that many people from that area have come to Jammu and they have brought this report. One cause for this panic is that the arms which were supplied to these people on the border so that they could protect themselves were withdrawn sometime ago. So naturally they cannot protect themselves and these attacks take place. Therefore, it is important that the situation should be discussed and something should be done to prevent these attacks.

**Shri Tyagi (Dehra Dun):** Have any casualties been reported?

**Shri Balraj Madhok:** The news has not appeared in the Press.

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, order. There should be no cross talks.

**Shri Jawaharlal Nehru:** I think the information that the hon. Member has got is somewhat exaggerated. The fact is that over this small area there has been trouble previously.