

## **Steps undertaken to ensure peace in the Northeast under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi**

The Government of India has signed several agreements during the last three years to end extremism and bring lasting peace to the northeastern states. The main agreements are as follows:

### **From Agreements to Solutions**

1. An agreement was signed with NLFT (SD) in August, 2019 resulting in surrender of 88 cadres with 44 weapons.
2. A landmark agreement was signed on 16.01.2020 to resolve the 23 year old Bru-Reang refugee crisis by which more than 37,000 internally displaced people are being settled in Tripura.
3. To resolve the five decade old Bodo issue in Assam, Bodo Accord was signed on 27th January, 2020 resulting in surrender of 1615 cadres with huge cache of arms and ammunition at Guwahati on 30.01.2020.
4. To resolve the long-running dispute in the Karbi regions of Assam, the Karbi Anglong Agreement was signed on September 04, 2021 in which more than 1000 armed cadres renounced violence and joined the mainstream of society.
5. Assam-Meghalaya Inter-State Boundary Agreement: A landmark agreement was signed on 29 March 2022 to settle the dispute over six areas out of total twelve areas of interstate boundary dispute between the states of Assam and Meghalaya.

### **Initiative to turn unrest into aspiration by reducing the scope of AFPSA**

#### **Disturbed Area to Aspirational Area**

As a result of the improvement in the security situation, the disturbed areas under the Armed Forces Special Powers Act (AFSPA) have been reduced from a large part of the North East, fulfilling the long-standing and sentimental demand of the North Eastern states.

- Assam: 60% of Assam now free from AFSPA
- Manipur: 15 police stations in 6 districts were taken out of the periphery of the disturbed area
- Arunachal Pradesh: Now AFSPA left in only 3 districts and two police stations in one district
- Nagaland: Disturbed area notification removed from 15 police stations in 7 districts
- Tripura and Meghalaya: Completely withdrawn

### **Today's Agreement**

In this sequence, a tripartite agreement was signed today between the Government of India, the Government of Assam and 8 armed Adivasi groups to end extremism and ensure Adivasi interests.

### **Consent by the signatories to the agreement:**

- Abandoning armed group violence
- Follow the rule of law established by the constitution of the country
- Joining the peaceful democratic process

### **Major Provisions:**

- Fulfilling political, economic and educational aspirations
- Protecting, preserving and promoting social, cultural, linguistic and ethnic identities
- Ensuring rapid and focused development of tea gardens along with Adivasi villages/areas throughout the state
- Establishment of a Adivasi Welfare and Development Council by the Government of Assam
- Necessary measures will be taken by the Government of India and the Government of Assam for the rehabilitation of cadres of armed groups and for the welfare of tea garden workers.
- A special development package of Rs.1000 crore will be provided over a period of five years for infrastructure development in Adivasi populated villages/areas.

## Security Situation in the Northeast

Years	Incident	Extremist killed	Extremist arrested	SFs killed	Civilian killed	Extremist surrendered	Arms surrendered	Arms recovered	Persons Kidnap ped
<b>2014</b>	824	181	1934	20	212	291	151	1104	369
<b>2015</b>	574	149	1900	46	46	143	69	828	267
<b>2016</b>	484	87	1202	17	48	267	93	605	168
<b>2017</b>	308	57	995	12	37	130	27	405	102
<b>2018</b>	252	34	804	14	23	161	58	420	117
<b>2019</b>	223	12	936	04	21	158	67	312	108
<b>2020</b>	163	21	646	05	03	2,696	445	466	69
<b>2021</b>	209	40	686	08	23	1,473	471	367	94
<b>2022</b> (upto 31.08.2022)	158	06	417	02	06	793	37	155	77

### Comparative Data

	(June 2006-May 2014)	(June 2014-August 2022)	Change
Incidents	8,700	3,195	<b>63% Reduction</b>
Deaths of SFs	304	128	<b>58% Reduction</b>
Civilian Deaths	1,890	419	<b>78% Reduction</b>