

PARLIAMENTARIANS BRIEFING ON UNITED NATIONS ARMS TRADE TREATY
Tackling Unregulated Global Arms Influx and Trade for a Sustainable and Secure India

Organised by
Control Arms Foundation of India (CAFI)

Date: Thursday, 3 December 2009

Time: 9.30 am – 5 pm

Venue: Deputy Chairman's Hall, Constitution Club
Vithal Bhai Patel House, Rafi Marg, New Delhi 110003

Timing	Programme Schedule
09.30 am	Registration
Timing	Inaugural Session. Chair by Ms Binalakshmi Nepram , Founder-Manipur Women Gun Survivor Network & Secretary-General, Control Arms Foundation of India
10.10 am	Welcome address by Ms Elizabeth Imti , Parliamentary Affairs Coordinator, Control Arms Foundation of India
10.15 am	Keynote address on "Excessive Weaponisation & Militarisation - Their Impact on Development" by Air Cmde (retd) Prashant Dikshit
10.30 am	Chief Guest Address by Mr CM Chang, Member of Parliament, Lok Sabha, Nagaland
10.45 am	"Remembering Gandhi in times of rising Armed Violence in India" by Mrs. P. Datta , Principal, Kendriya Vidyalaya, NSG, Manesar, Gurgaon, Haryana
11.00 am	Tea Break
Timing	Session II: The Cost of Unregulated arms proliferation in India
11.30 am	Professor Swaran Singh , Disarmament Studies Centre for International Politics, Organization and Disarmament (CIPOD), Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi
11.35 pm	"Naxal Violence, Unregulated Arms Proliferation & Its Costs on India's Development" by Mr Nihar Nayak , Institute of Defence Studies & Analyses, New Delhi
11.45 pm	"China and Arms Proliferation in India's Northeast" by Ms. Binalakshmi Nepram , CAFI
11.55 pm	"Weaponisation and Human and Cultural Security in Jammu and Kashmir" by Ms Ashima Kaul , CAFI
12.05 pm	"Need to change curriculum to stem rising armed violence in India's youth" by Dr. K.K. Vashisht , Head- Elementary Education, NCERT
12.15 pm	Questions from the floor

12.25 pm	Lunch Break
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Timing	Session III: The Need for India to take a lead in Tackling Unregulated Global Arms Influx and Trade for a Sustainable and Secure India Chair: Air Cmde (retd) Prashant Dikshit
2.05 pm	“Rising Violence amongst India’s Youth, Small Arms Usage & efforts to stem it” By Dr. Rajat Mitra , Director, Swanchetan Society for Mental Health
2.20 pm	“Legal Basis, Indian Constitution and the Arms Trade Treaty” by Mr Riju Raj Jamwal , CAFI and Lawyer, Supreme Court of India
2: 35 pm	“Role of Parliamentarians in Promoting Human Rights in Disarmament treaties” by Ms. Suman , Convenor, Parliamentary Forum of Human Rights (tbc)
3.00 pm	Statements by MPs from armed violence affected areas - Shri Biswajit Diamary(Assam) , Shri Murari Lal Singh (Chhattisgarh), Shri Chandu Lal Sahu (Chhattisgarh), Smt. Anusuiya Uikey (Madhya Pradesh), Smt Bijoya Chakravarty (Assam), Shri Sharifuddin Shariq (J & K) MP (tbc)
3.15 pm	Questions from the floor

Timing 3.30 pm	Valedictory Session Chair:Dr. Tasneem Meenai, Centre for Peace & Conflict Resolution , Jamia Millia Islamia
3.45 pm	Valedictory Address on “Role of parliamentarians in taking the lead in tackling unregulated global arms influx and trade for a Sustainable and Secure India” by Dr E.M. Sudarsana Natchiappan , Member of Parliament & President, Parliamentarian Forum for Human Rights
4.00 pm	“Creating a movement for peace and disarmament in India” by Swami Vishalanand , Divya Jyoti Jagrati Sansthan (DJJS)
4.10 pm	Address by Mr Vinod Bhanu , Executive Director, Centre for Legislative Research and Advocacy
4.20 pm	MPs Declaration and symbolic signing of parliamentarians calling upon government of India to Vote “Yes” to the United Nations Arms Trade Treaty process
4.30 pm	Vote of thanks

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