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"Sir, declared it to Judge, and that is what I did. I made every effort to bring the matter to a successful end, but it was impossible to reach any agreement with the Indian leaders. The situation had been difficult from the start, but there was nothing I could do to prevent the disaster that occurred."

"In the end, the matter was resolved peacefully, but it was a close call. The Indian leaders had threatened violence, but in the end they were convinced that things would only get worse if they went to war."

"The lesson I learned from this experience is that it is better to try to resolve conflicts peacefully, rather than resort to violence."

A.central Indian leader, speaking on the matter, declared: "It was a matter of survival for us. We had no choice but to defend ourselves."