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## Dear Amit Shah Ji

While all of us were aware of the tensions brewing between Russia and Ukraine for quite some time but presuming it as just a posturing by Russia turned out to be a monumental blunder. Eventually on Thursday Russia invaded the internationally accepted sovereign boundaries of Ukraine. Now it's a full blown war and various cities of Ukraine including its capital city Kyiv are being attacked with bombs. Several hundred lives have been lost. As per reports Ukraine forces are currently engaged with Russian forces just outside the capital city of Kyiv. Sounds of gunfire, bomb explosions and human cries are all over the place. Horrifying pictures of damaged apartment blocks have emerged on TV Channels.

Estimated 20,000 Indians including 18,000 students are believed to be stranded in Ukraine. My office is constantly being approached by the relatives of those persons from Jharkhand who are stuck in Ukraine during these war times. They are in a state of panic and horror and compelled to move with limited stock of essential provisions to makeshift safety places like underground metro rail lines. Even the departmental stores are insisting on cash payments against essential procurements. Extreme inclement weather is adding to their pain. I feel we must reach out to them in this hour of crisis and make best possible efforts to evacuate them back home.

I am enclosing herewith a hurriedly prepared list of persons from Jharkhand stuck in Ukraine along with their addresses and contact numbers and request you to kindly instruct the concerned officials of the Government of India to take steps for



their safe return to our State. Till such times they could be accommodated in safe places with adequate supply of essential items.

An early response from you would certainly act as a supreme assurance to the anxious families.

With warm regards

Encl: - As above

(Hemant Soren)

ours Sincerely

To

Shri Amit Shah Union Home Minister Ministry of Home Affairs Government of India North Block New Delhi.