

## Ban on ULFA Under UAPA

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Recently, the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) extended the ban on the **United Liberation Front of Asom** (ULFA) for five more years under the **Unlawful Activities Prevention Act, 1967 (UAPA)**.

- ULFA is an armed militant organisation operating in Assam that aims to secede Assam from India.
  - ULFA was formed in 1979 to seek the "restoration of Assam's sovereignty" through armed struggle.
  - **ULFA** was first banned in **1990** and the ban has been renewed periodically, with the last extension in **2019**.
- Section 35 of the UAPA, 1967 empowers the government to declare an organisation as unlawful or an individual as terrorist if it engages in activities promoting terrorism or secession.

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