THE COURAGE OF THE GURKHAS

INSTRUCTIVE STORIES FROM SRILA PRABHUPADA
The gurkhas were used in the last war, the gulf war, like a secret force.
The British general came to the Gurkhas
We want you to go behind enemy lines. We're going to drop you from the height of 200 metres from an airplane into enemy territory. How many of you volunteer?
Generally the Gurkhas are fearless, so all of them used to raise their hands. This time only fifty percent raised their hands.
The British general was shocked by this response.

You're afraid of Saddam Hussein and his men?
He went away and was completely bewildered
I never saw a Gurkha said no to a fight
So the next morning he came back and said...

You have to explain yourselves. Why have only fifty percent of you agreed to be dropped from the height of 200 metres behind enemy lines?
So one Gurkha raised his hand and said...

I do not think I can survive a fall from 200 metres in the air.
No no, We're going to drop you with a parachute!
Then all the Gurkhas raised their hands
The British general then really had faith in them. These are warriors.