

of East Pakistan amid reports that a Pakistani Army column was moving on the area.

A Government column of hundreds of men with artillery was reported to have left Jessore yesterday and to be moving toward Khulna.

Local leaders and men of the East Pakistan Rifles, now fighting with the liberation forces of the Awami League, the dominant East Pakistani political party, say they expect the army to come to Satkhira—about 15 miles from the Indian border town of Basirhat—before going on to Khulna.

Naik Subedar Ayub, commander of the local Rifles company, said the army convoy was destroying everything in its path as it moved toward the district.

Families Flee Town

SATKHIRA, Pakistan, April 8 (Reuters)—Scores of terror-stricken families tonight fled this town in the Khulna district