

[श्री महेन्द्र सिंह लाठर]

एक वाक्या हुआ था जिसमें 15-16 आदमी मारे गये थे और कल जो वाक्या दोहना में हुआ है उसमें 26 आदमी मारे गये हैं ... (व्यवधान)

उपसभापति : इस पर अलग से उनका स्पेशल मेंशन है ।

श्री महेन्द्र सिंह लाठर : हरियाणा ने एक हजार सेल्फ लोडिंग राइफलें मांगी थी, लेकिन केवल सौ दी गई हैं । उपवासियों के पास ए०के०-४७ गन्स हैं । इसी तरह से पंजाब पुलिस ने भी मांग की थी और हरियाणा ने मांग की थी, लेकिन उनको नहीं दी गई हैं । उपवासियों भास-भास कर हरियाणा के अंदर घुस रहे हैं, वहाँ पर ला एण्ड आर्डर खत्म हो चुका है । मैं समझता हूँ कि सरकार को बताना चाहिये कि वह इस बारे में क्या कदम उठाने जा रहे हैं और एक स्टेटमेंट दें ... (व्यवधान) ।

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: There is a special mention on this issue

SHRI N. E. BALARAM: Madam, I think there are no two opinions on this Question in this House. The statement made by Mr. Bal Thackeray is fraught with dangerous consequences. This House has condemned it. The point is that the Home Minister should take note of the feelings of this House and take necessary steps. There is the matter. The Home Minister should tell us what kind of action he will take.

SHRI, YASHWANT SINHA: He should come back to the House and tell us what he is doing.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: The Home Minister is not here. If you trust the Deputy Chairman, I will convey the sense of the House to the Home Minister. The Minister of Parliamentary Affairs is also not here. There are three other Ministers here, they will also convey it to him.

RE. PRESS INTERVIEW OF MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE ON THE; RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE NATIONAL COMMISSION ON RURAL LABOUR.

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: (West Bengal): Madam, Deputy Chairman, I seek your permission to raise an important issue. The "Economic Times" has published an interview of the Minister of Agriculture. He has given it on the 5th November. Fortunately the Minister of Agriculture is now present in the House ... (Interruptions)... There was a National Commission on Rural Labour. It was appointed by the then Prime Minister, late Mr. Rajiv Gandhi. This Commission was called upon to prepare an indepth report about the conditions of the rural labour and recommend what the Government should do to improve their lot. That was the terms of reference. The Commission included a number of Members of Parliament, a number of leading economists, a number of social activists. The Commission submitted its report on the 30th July to the Prime Minister. The Prime Minister promised that the Government will take note of the report and they will come up with their recommendations to the Parliament. That was the commitment. That promise appeared in the different newspapers. This Commission has recommended that agricultural tax should be imposed. This Commission has recommended many other things like social security minimum wages and ill that. He was asked a question by the Reporter of the "Economic Times" to give his opinion on the agricultural tax. He said. T quote:

"It is a Commission which has recommended something on rural labour which wants a combined harvest. What can be more, absurd than that"

That was the answer to the first Question. The second question put to him

was: "What has happened to the report?".
The answer was:

"It will come to me. I have to discuss it.
But this type of people do exist in this
country. My god, I am really ashamed,
shocked. How can people be so
perverse."

Madam, two points are involved in ' this. The
first is the question of collective responsibility.
While the Prime Minister says that the
Government will give consideration to it,
another member of the Government :all the
Commision, its members and recommendations
perverse. Therefore, it is a violation of the
principle of collective responsibility.

The other point is ... (*Interruptions*).

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN- Please be
brief. I have hardly any time left. Don't make
a statement. Just ask the Minister—he is
here—whether he said it or not.

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: The other
point involved in this is, he is calling the
members of the Commission, including
Members of Parliament, perverse and he is
ashamed and shocked' that some suh peo-cple
are there in the country.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Enough, Mr.
Gupta,

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: I want to
know if he has spoken like this. I demand
his apology.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Please give
him time to reply, if you want it.
(*Interruptions*). Enough Nothing will go on
record when I say 'enough'.

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:

SHRI P. UPENDRA (Andhra Pra-atsh):
That recommendation is perverse. I support
him.

*Not recorded.

SHRI SOM PAL (Uttar Pradesh): Yes. I
also support them. This recommendation is
perverse. And Madam,...

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I am not
permitting you, please.

आपको क्या कहना है ?

SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA
(Karnataka): Madam, I am a member on that
Commission. How can a Commission for
Rural Labour take, in the Interests of big
landlords? It will rot and that recommendation
will never be satisfactory to the big landlords.
... (*Interruptions*).

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Order,
please. No comments.

SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA: .. Those who
have not implemented the land reforms, those
who are not working in the interests of this
rural Labour. They will certainly say that that
report is perverse. As long as our dual policy
continues in this country. ... (*Interruptions*).

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN. Jakhar
Saheb has to reply to the discussion.

SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA:
.....Certain reports have to attract
these adverse remarks by the people who are
not interested in this cause.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Hardly 10
minutes are there. Mr. Minister, you have to
reply.

SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA:
Of course, it is well within the
terms of reference and the terms of reference
were given by the Government.
(*Interruptions*).

डा० रत्नाकर पाण्डेय (उत्तर प्रदेश) :
महोदया,...

उपसभापति : पाण्डेय जी, समय नहीं
है । आपको जवाब देना है ।...
(**अवधान**)... आपको जवाब देना है प्लीज
... (**अवधान**)... जवाब देने दीजिये,
कल बोल दीजिये, आज नहीं । मंत्री जी
खड़े हो गये हैं ।

श्री ईश बल्ल थापा (उत्तर प्रदेश) :
मैडम मेरे स्पेशल मेशन का क्या हुआ ?

उपसभापति : स्पेशल मेशन जवाब
के बाद होंगे । मेरे पास लिस्ट में ऐसा
ही लिखा है ।

श्री ईश बल्ल थापा : मेरा नाम आपने
बोल दिया था ।

उपसभापति : मुझे पता नहीं था ।
सेक्रेटेरियेट ने कहा कि पहले जवाब
होगा । वाइसचेयरमैन ने यही अनाउन्स
किया था । I am following that.

श्री राज मोहन गांधी (उत्तर प्रदेश) :
मैडम, मुझे भी रोज करने का मौका
मंजूरिये ।

उपसभापति : अभी होम मिनिस्टर
गहब नहीं हैं । जब वे हों तब रोज करिये ।
I cannot answer that question.

THE MINISTER OF AGRICUL-
TURE (SHRI BALRAM JAKHAR):
Madam Chairperson, I have to reply
to that. First of all, may I just say a
few words? Please do not take it
personally. I did not mean it that
way. It is only a question of a cer-
tain idea which I do not like. You
may also have your own ideas. That
is all.

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:
Your statement categorises him
...(Interruptions)...

SHRI BALRAM JAKHAR: It is a
question of ideology. That is all. I
know it. I have done it. (Interrup-
tions).

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:
Can you say it is parliamenatary
etiquette to say you are ashamed
...(Interruptions)...

SHRI BALRAM JAKHAR: I can-
not be ashamed about you. I can

never be because I have the highest regard
...(Interruptions). This is not the thing. I said
it only of an idea. That is all.

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: What is
the idea?

SHRI BALRAM JAKHAR: How can we
go backwards? That is all.

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: * You
categorically said, 'some people'.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN. He ex-
plained that he talked about the idea. He may
not like it. (Interruption). He said he did not
mean any derogation of Members. He has
said it. I have heard him.

SHRI BALRAM JAKHAR: Take it easy.
That was not the idea. Let us march forwards,
not backwards.

SHORT DURATION DISCUSSION
on the havoc caused by the recent
earthquake in Northern part of the
country, particularly in the Garhwal region
of Uttar Pradesh—Contd.

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE
(SHRI BALRAM JAKHAR): Madam, I have
heard and noted points. My colleague here
noted all the points because I was also to
reply in the other House regarding natural
calamities, about the flood and cyclone
calamities. So I was, for sometime, absent
from this House. But I have noted down all
the points and I know the agony which every
Member has expressed about that. I can share
that. I really feel sorry about what has
happened to my people, to my brethren who
are still suffering due to the onset of winter. I
can give a categorical recount of what has
happened there. (Interruptions!)...