

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: That has been struck down.

PROF. SAIF-UD-DIN SOZ: There is a considerable lacuna in the system of control and unless the system is reformed, we cannot expect any satisfactory results.

Before I suggest reform, I must tell this august House that I don't want to join the chorus that AIDS is spreading in India extremely rapidly and as the Ministry and its added NGOs want us to believe, the number of HIV patients will increase to an alarmingly high figure of 5.1 million by 2010, of which 38 per cent will be women. I imagine that part of this figure work is the result of propaganda unleashed by the Western media.

I am sorry to share my assessment with regard to the working of our NGOs. Yes, many of them must be doing good work. But, generally, I see high profile conferences, brochures on glazed papers, lunches and dinners for what is called awareness. My impression is that much of the funding goes down the drain. Then there....

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: That has been deleted.

PROF. SAIF-UD-DIN SOZ: Sir, I had discussed it and got the permission. It is not derogatory for anybody. Members have their own right as per the Rules Book.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: While reading the Special Mention, you have to read only what has been admitted. It is not there in the text.

PROF. SAIF-UD-DIN SOZ: I am reading the approved text. I would suggest that we should ask the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare to make out a proposal for establishing four well equipped hospitals for AIDS afflicted patients in four regions of the country and make it possible for the legislators to meet these patients and share their worries. It is only then that a vigorous awareness programme can be in shape.

Need for starting bus service between Amritsar-Lahore-Nankana Sahib

SHRI VARINDER SINGH BAJWA (Punjab): Mr. Deputy Chairman, Sir, the External Affairs Ministers of India and Pakistan announced in September, 2004 that a 'Special Day' bus service will be operated between Amritsar and Lahore enabling the Indians to visit religious places in Pakistan

like Nankana Sahib, the birth place of the first Sikh Guru on special occasions. The announcement was hailed as a great day because the long-pending wish of the people had been fulfilled. I would request the Government of India to take all necessary steps in consultation with Pakistan to start this bus service from the auspicious day of *Baisakhi* on 13th April, 2005. The frequency of the bus service may also be increased. Visa restrictions should be made easy and all procedures should be simplified so that the maximum number of people can avail of the great opportunity to visit Nankana Sahib to fulfil their long cherished desires. I congratulate the Governments of India and Pakistan for taking this decision which will ultimately create an atmosphere of goodwill which will help to improve the relations between the two countries.

Need to expedite the process of setting up Petrochemical Complex by O.N.G.C. at Mangalore in Karnataka

SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY (Karnataka): Sir, the Government of Karnataka has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Oil and Natural Gas Corporation for setting up of a Rs. 25,000 crore petrochemical complex at Mangalore. The Government of Karnataka has been requesting the Government of India to allow ONGC to take up the above project without further delay. This proposed project is capable of changing the economic scenario of the entire coastal area.

I, therefore, request the Government of India to expedite the ONGC project to be established at Mangalore.

SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD (Karnataka): Sir, I associate myself with this Special Mention.

SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA (Karnataka): Sir, I also associate myself with it.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I also associate myself with it.

Concern over custodial deaths in the Country

डा० प्रभा ठाकुर (राजस्थान): उपसभापति जी, मेरा विशेष उल्लेख का विषय है—पुलिस हिरासत में मौतें। आए दिन अखबारों में ऐसी खबरें पढ़ने को मिलती हैं, जो किसी भी संवेदनशील आदमी को झकझोर कर रख देती हैं। अभी हाल ही में दिल्ली में भी ऐसी वारदात हुई है। पुलिस