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किसी भी महापुरुष का अपमान करने का नहीं है। हां, उन महापुरुषों को, जिन्हें आप भूल गए थे, आप जिन सरदार पटेल को भूल गए थे ...(व्यवधान)...

- श्री उपसभापतिः श्रीमती रेणुका चौधरी। ...(व्यवधान)...
- श्री मुख्तार अब्बास नक़वीः जिन वीर सावरकर की पट्टिका आपने निकाल दी थी, ...(व्यवधान)...
- श्री उपसभापतिः मिनिस्टर साहब, बैठिए।
- श्री मुख्तार अब्बास नक्रवीः उनका हम सम्मान करते हैं, उनके सामने हम नतमस्तक हैं। ...(व्यवधान)...
- श्री उपसभापतिः श्रीमती रेणुका चौधरी प्लीज। ...(व्यवधान)... Nothing else will go on record. ...(Interruptions)... Only what Shrimati Renuka Chowdhury says will go on record. Nothing else will go on record. ...(Interruptions)...

SHRI ANAND SHARMA: \*

KUMARI SELJA (Haryana): \*

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: It is not going on record. ...(Interruptions)...

SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD: Sir, keeping in view the importance of the subject, there should be a Half-an-Hour Discussion on this particular subject. ...(Interruptions)... It is a very important subject. ...(Interruptions)...

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Okay. You can give notice. There is no problem. ...(Interruptions)... Shrimati Renuka Chowdhury. ...(Interruptions)... Yes, yes. I agreed. Shrimati Renuka Chowdhury.

## Steep fall in chilli prices

SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY (Andhra Pradesh): Sir, in our country, the anatomy of a farmer's suicide is often associated with drought, flood, famine and other such issues. The irony today is that, in Telangana State, our farmers are dying because of plenty. The chilli farmer who had a bumper crop this year is, unfortunately, unable to survive. They have abandoned harvesting because the cost of picking the chillies is much more than the remuneration that they are getting. There is a bizarre situation in the State of Telangana, which, actually, advised the farmers as to what crops they should plant this time. They did not see to it that there would be a requirement for storing the chillies after the crop. There is no adequate cold storage facilities for the farmers. To compound the injury, today, truck operators have

<sup>\*</sup> Not recorded.

[Shrimati Renuka Chowdhury]

gone on strike, as a result of which farmers are not even able to transport their produce to the market. The markets themselves have shut doors onto the farmers, saying that they cannot store their chillies at their place. Sir, our Khammam and Warangal chilli is very famous. Today, the price of one quintal of chilli has come to a princely sum of ₹ 6,000/. Yesterday, it was ₹ 5,000/-. It is hopelessly inadequate for our farmers to recover their cost. Now, Sir, the State Government and the\* believe that by drawing ₹ 5.5 crore from the Common Good Fund and giving it to Balaji Temple is the solution for solving the problem of our farmers' suicide. The\* has, actually, taken ₹ 5.5 crore from the Common Good Fund and donated it to Balaji Temple. He also made a golden moustache for one of the deities, which he has donated to the temple, but he does not have a heart to turn around and look as to what is happening to the chilli farmers of Telangana. ...(Interruptions)... Today, his son who is the heir to three Ministries ...(Interruptions)...

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: No; can you criticize a \* who cannot come here and defend himself? ...(Interruptions)...

SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: These are facts, Sir. ...(Interruptions)...

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: \* reference is expunged. It is not proper. ...(Interruptions)...

SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: The Government has not taken ...(Interruptions)...

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: You need not say '  $^*$  ', you can say 'Government'. Don't say '  $^*$  '.

SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Okay, Sir. There is a local Minister who happens to be the son of somebody who is in the Government there. ...(Interruptions)... He has written a letter to his father saying that he should look after the chilli crop. He has also allegedly written to the Centre saying that the Centre should compensate ...(Time-bell rings)...

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Okay; time over.

SHRI TAPAN KUMAR SEN (West Bengal): Sir, I associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

श्री नरेंद्र बुढानिया (राजस्थान)ः महोदय, माननीय सदस्य ने जो विषय उठाया है, मैं भी अपने आपको इससे सम्बद्ध करता हूं।

<sup>\*</sup>Expunged as ordered by the Chair.

श्री प्रमोद तिवारी (उत्तर प्रदेश)ः महोदय, माननीय सदस्य ने जो विषय उठाया है, मैं भी अपने आपको इससे सम्बद्ध करता हूं।

श्री पी. एल. पुनिया (उत्तर प्रदेश)ः महोदय, माननीय सदस्य ने जो विषय उठाया है, मैं भी अपने आपको इससे सम्बद्ध करता हूं।

श्री रेवती रमन सिंह (उत्तर प्रदेश)ः महोदय, माननीय सदस्य ने जो विषय उठाया है, मैं भी अपने आपको इससे सम्बद्ध करता हूं।

श्री दिग्विजय सिंह (मध्य प्रदेश)ः महोदय, माननीय सदस्य ने जो विषय उठाया है, मैं भी अपने आपको इससे सम्बद्ध करता हूं।

डा. अनिल कुमार साहनी (बिहार)ः महोदय, माननीय सदस्य ने जो विषय उठाया है, मैं भी अपने आपको इससे सम्बद्ध करता हूं।

कुमारी शैलजा (हरियाणा)ः महोदय, माननीय सदस्य ने जो विषय उठाया है, मैं भी अपने आपको इससे सम्बद्ध करती हूं।

श्री मोतीलाल वोरा (छत्तीसगढ़)ः महोदय, माननीय सदस्य ने जो विषय उठाया है, मैं भी अपने आपको इससे सम्बद्ध करता हूं।

श्रीमती छाया वर्मा (छत्तीसगढ़)ः महोदय, माननीय सदस्य ने जो विषय उठाया है, मैं भी अपने आपको इससे सम्बद्ध करती हूं।

SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI (Punjab): Sir, I also associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

THE LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): Sir, I also associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

DR. K.V.P. RAMACHANDRA RAO (Telangana): Sir, I also associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

SHRI ANANDA BHASKAR RAPOLU (Telangana): Sir, I also associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Sir, we associate ourselves with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

## Need for taking steps like loan waiver in view of pathetic condition of farmers in country

श्रीमती रजनी पाटिल (महाराष्ट्र): उपसभापित महोदय, भारत किसान प्रधान देश होने के कारण यहां 65 प्रतिशत से अधिक लोग खेती करते हैं, लेकिन आज के युवाओं में खेती करने का रुझान बहुत कम है। सर, जब हम बोलते हैं कि 2020 में पूरे विश्व में सबसे ज्यादा युवा हमारे