

SHRI RITABRATA BANERJEE (West Bengal): Sir, I too associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

SHRI KIRANMAY NANDA (Uttar Pradesh): Sir, I too associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

श्री सतीश चंद्र मिश्रा (उत्तर प्रदेश): महोदय, मैं भी अपने को इस विषय से सम्बद्ध करता हूँ।

श्री नीरज शेखर (उत्तर प्रदेश): महोदय, मैं भी अपने को इस विषय से सम्बद्ध करता हूँ।

श्री आलोक तिवारी (उत्तर प्रदेश): महोदय, मैं भी अपने को इस विषय से सम्बद्ध करता हूँ।

श्रीमती कहकशां परवीन (बिहार): महोदय, मैं भी अपने को इस विषय से सम्बद्ध करती हूँ।

श्री राम नाथ ठाकुर (बिहार): महोदय, मैं भी अपने को इस विषय से सम्बद्ध करता हूँ।

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MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Okay. ...*(Interruptions)*... It is all on record. ...*(Interruptions)*... Do not worry. ...*(Interruptions)*... Shri Suresh Gopi. ...*(Interruptions)*...

SHRI SURESH GOPI (Nominated): Sir, ...*(Interruptions)*...

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Listen to Shri Suresh Gopi. ...*(Interruptions)*...

**Need for a memorial and cultural centre in the name
of Karinthandan – a tribal chieftain**

SHRI SURESH GOPI (Nominated): Thank you very much, Mr. Deputy Chairman, Sir, for giving me this opportunity to rise and raise this issue which is a long-pending request from the Paniya community, a community which belongs to the group of *Adivasis*. There are around 38 communities in Kerala and the Paniya community still confesses to hold Karinthandan march every year during the second Sunday of every March. There is a long-pending request to the Government to name the National Highway numbered 766, which connects Kozhikhode in Kerala with Kollegal in Karnataka *via* Mysore. This path was navigated and founded by Karinthandan, a tribal chieftain, who was engaged by the British, somewhere between 1700 to 1750. This tribal chieftain, Karinthandan, founded the path and the British had promised him a reward for that. Once he founded the path, he was beheaded. ...*(Interruptions)*... And the soul of Karinthandan was believed to be disrupting peaceful traffic between these two States and his soul was chained by a priest. There is a chained tree to mark respect to this great soul. Now, the Paniya community and tribals still existing in that area request the Government to name this part of the National Highway as Karinthandan Pass and also build a memorial. We hear, in both the Houses,

requests for having more and more names on memorials, like, Shivaji Maharaj, Dr. Baba Sahab Ambedkar, Rani of Jhansi, but how many or do we have names of any tribal leaders in the form of memorials? So, I request the Government, through you, to consider this request and have a cultural memorial built which will help and support tourism fulfilling all the physiological needs of tourists who make use of this Highway. Thank you very much.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: All right. Thank you very much.

SHRI LA. GANESAN (Madhya Pradesh): Sir, I associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

DR. PRABHAKAR KORE (Karnataka): Sir, I too associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

SHRI R. K. SINHA (Bihar): Sir, I too associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

श्री मेघराज जैन (मध्य प्रदेश): महोदय, मैं भी अपने को इस विषय से सम्बद्ध करता हूँ।

श्री लाल सिंह वडोदिया (गुजरात): महोदय, मैं भी अपने को इस विषय से सम्बद्ध करता हूँ।

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REFERENCES — *Contd.*

Re. Airport in the name of Shaheed Bhagat Singh

SHRI PARTAP SINGH BAJWA (Punjab): Sir,....(*Interruptions*)...

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: No, no. ...(*Interruptions*)... I will call you. ...(*Interruptions*)...

SHRI RITABRATA BANERJEE (West Bengal): Sir, ...(*Interruptions*)...

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Yes, what is your point? ...(*Interruptions*)... What is your point? ...(*Interruptions*)...

श्री रीताब्रता बनर्जी: सर, आज 23 मार्च, भगत सिंह, राजगुरु व सुखदेव का शहादत दिवस है। सर, 1931 में they were hanged. ...(*Interruptions*)... Sir, there has been a controversy going on. The Punjab Government had agreed that the Chandigarh Airport will be named after Shaned-e-Azam Bhagat Singh. The Chief Minister of Haryana said 'No'. They want to name the Airport in the name of Mangal Sein. ...(*Interruptions*)...