

SHRI ANAND SHARMA (Himachal Pradesh): Sir, we all associate with it. It is a serious matter.

SHRI AHAMED HASSAN (West Bengal): Sir, I also associate myself with the issue raised by the hon. Member.

SHRI SUKHENDU SEKHAR RAY (West Bengal): Sir, I also associate myself with the issue raised by the hon. Member.

SHRI MANISH GUPTA (West Bengal): Sir, I also associate myself with the issue raised by the hon. Member.

SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE (West Bengal): Sir, I also associate myself with the issue raised by the hon. Member.

SHRI ABIR RANJAN BISWAS (West Bengal): Sir, I also associate myself with the issue raised by the hon. Member.

SHRI K.G. KENYE (Nagaland): Sir, I also associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Now, Shri Elamaram Kareem. Neither the big brother nor the younger brother should be allowed to see.

Need to resume operations of wide bodied aircrafts from Calicut Airport

SHRI ELAMARAM KAREEM (Kerala): Sir, I have to raise a very serious issue pertaining to the demand for reinstatement of operation of wide body aircrafts from Calicut Airport. Till 2015, wide body aircrafts were operated from Calicut Airport. For recarpetting and certain maintenance works, it was stopped as a temporary measure. After restoring the runway and installing the safety measures, the airports authority demanded from the DGCA to restart the operation of wide body airlines, but the decision is yet to come. This position has badly affected the interests of lakhs of non-resident Keralites, who are residing in and around the Calicut Airport. More than this, the fare of the airlines flying from Kerala to West Asian countries has been hiked four to five times. During the festival periods, Onam and Bakrid, lakhs of Keralites come to Kerala from West Asian countries and go back. They are afraid that they cannot travel back to the West Asian countries due to the hike of air charges. I urge the Government to intervene in the matter and take necessary steps to restart the wide body aircrafts from Calicut Airport and reduce the air fare to a genuine rate. Thank you.

SHRI K.K. RAGESH (Kerala): Sir, I associate myself with the issue raised by the hon. Member.

SHRI BINOY VISWAM (Kerala): Sir, I also associate myself with the issue raised by the hon. Member.

SHRI M.P. VEERENDRA KUMAR (Kerala): Sir, I also associate myself with the issue raised by the hon. Member.

Relief to flood affected State of Assam

SHRI BHUBANESWAR KALITA (Assam): Sir, I have to raise the issue of flood situation in Assam. Due to heavy rainfall in the foothills of Bhutan and other mountain areas, a large number of people are getting affected due to floods in the foothill areas and subsequently to the other areas.

Sir, lakhs of hectares of land are affected, houses are affected, the crops are affected and the people are living in temporary camps and in the embankments.

Sir, over and above the natural calamity, the NEEPCO has released water from their Baandh making entire Golaghat and Upper Assam area flooded due to the artificial flood. That is not natural calamity. That is artificial calamity because the NEEPCO has released the water without warning the people, without warning the local people. Even when people went to protest about that, they were stopped and they could not register their protest.

I want the Government to take immediate action so that the NEEPCO or other people who are maintaining the baandh should not release water and create artificial flood in the foothill and other areas of Assam. Thank you very much, Sir.

SHRI K.G. KENYE (Nagaland): Sir, I would like to associate myself with the Zero Hour Mention made by the hon. Member.

Need to rename the State of West Bengal as 'Bangla'

SHRI RITABRATA BANERJEE (West Bengal): Sir, I am making this Zero Hour submission in this august House to urge upon the Union Government to clear the name 'Bangla' in place of West Bengal as unanimously passed by the West Bengal State Assembly.

Sir, West Bengal came into existence due to the partition of Bengal during our Independence. West Bengal and East Bengal came into existence when the Radcliffe Line