DR. AMAR PATNAIK (Odisha): Sir, I also associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

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DR. SASMIT PATRA (Odisha): Sir, I also associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Now, Shrimati Arpita Ghosh. Please be brief.

Need to regulate the rise in prices of essential commodities

श्रीमती अर्पिता घोष (पश्चिमी बंगाल): सर, मैं अपनी मातृभाषा बांग्ला में बोलूंगी।

श्री सभापति: ठीक है।

SHRIMATI ARPITA GHOSH: \*"Sir, the Central government is trying to de-control the prices of essential commodities including vegetables like potato and onion. Price of oil is coming down across the world, yet for reasons unknown to us, the price of oil is going up in India. As a result, the price of essential commodities is fast increasing all over the country including in Delhi, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal. Besides these, for various reasons there has been an increase in charges of transporting goods from one place to another - including damages of crops due to excessive rain and Cyclone Amphan, and a situation of panic in the minds of the people during the prevailing Covid situation. It has been observed that the prices of essential commodities like potato and onion have shot up by 50-80 percent. Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee has been trying immensely to keep the upward prices in control in West Bengal. Potato is being made available @Rs.25 per kilogram to the people through 'Sufal Bangla'. Regular campaigns are being organized to curb black marketing. She has made arrangements to provide ration free of cost to the people till June 2021 to tackle Corona situation. Arrangements have also been made to preserve 70 lakh tonnes of potato across 400 cold storages. Sir, common people are facing distress due to the Corona situation. Various surveys have indicated that people are buying a large amount of vegetable and commodities of daily needs because they have to survive." सर, पापी पेट का सवाल है। आखिर में मेरी आपके माध्यम से प्रधान मंत्री जी से विनती है, आप नेशनलाइज्ड़ सैक्टर को बेच रहे हैं। जीडीपी कहां गई किसी को पता नहीं है। जिस डेमोक्रेसी की बात ...(व्यवधान)...

MR. CHAIRMAN: You have to confine to your subject.

<sup>\*</sup> English translation of the original speech delivered in Bangla.

श्रीमती अर्पिता घोष: सर, मैं एक सेकन्ड में खत्म कर दूंगी। ...(व्यवधान)...

MR. CHAIRMAN: You have to confine to your subject.

श्रीमती अर्पिता घोषः सर, जिस डेमोक्रेसी की बात चल रही है, उसी डेमोक्रेसी की खातिर ...(व्यवधान)...

श्री सभापति: यहां पर अभी डेमोक्रेसी के बारे में चर्चा नहीं हो रही है। ...(व्यवधान)...

श्रीमती अर्पिता घोष: सर, आलू, प्याज जैसी सब्जियों से नियंत्रण मत हटाइए। ...(व्यवधान)...

MR. CHAIRMAN: You are a new Member. Please try to follow the rules.

श्रीमती अर्पिता घोष: सर, अगर आप बीच में बोलेंगे, तो हम कैसे बोलेंगे? ...(व्यवधान)...

MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay. Thank you.

श्रीमती अर्पिता घोष: नहीं, तो आपको प्रधान मंत्री बनाने वाला कोई नहीं बचेगा। ...(व्यवधान)... Thank you very much, धन्यवाद, नमस्कार।

DR. AMAR PATNAIK (Odisha): Sir, I associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD (Uttar Pradesh): Sir, I also associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

DR. SASMIT PATRA (Odisha): Sir, I also associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

SHRI BHASKAR RAO NEKKANTI (Odisha): Sir, I also associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I am happy that you are making a good point in your mother tongue. Why do you go out of point?

SHRIMATI ARPITA GHOSH: Sir, I am not going out of my point.

MR. CHAIRMAN: No; you are not going out of the House. You are staying here only. But my point is, try to understand, you are just new. You have given notice about price rise. You have to confine yourself to that. डेमोक्रेसी में क्या है? Arpita ji, if it was a general speech, I would have been a little bit liberal also. This is specific, the Zero Hour. Okay.