

MR. CHAIRMAN: Right, Devegowda ji.

SHRI H.D. DEVEGOWDA: That was the decision given by the Supreme Court. Sir, with folded hands, I can speak volumes on this issue..

MR. CHAIRMAN: Right, Devegowda ji. Please. You have made your point.

SHRI H.D. DEVEGOWDA: Permit me, Sir, to have something.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Right.

SHRI H.D. DEVEGOWDA: For drinking water, we are beggars today. With folded hands ...*(Interruptions)*...

MR. CHAIRMAN: Thank you. Please, आप बैठिए। श्री सुखेन्दु शेखर राय। It is an important issue. That is why I allowed him. He did not make any controversy or comment on that.

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

SHRI NARAYANA KORAGAPPA (Karnataka): Sir, I also associate myself with the mention made by the hon. Member.

SHRI IRANNA KADADI (Karnataka): Sir, I also associate myself with the mention made by the hon. Member.

SHRI K.C. RAMAMURTHY (Karnataka): Sir, I also associate myself with the mention made by the hon. Member.

**Need for signboards in Bengali language along with English and/or Hindi of all Central Government establishments and Metro Rail Stations in West Bengal**

SHRI SUKHENDU SEKHAR RAY (West Bengal): Sir, your good self is the champion for promotion of Indian regional languages. So, with your kind permission, I would like to speak in Bengali.

**श्री सभापति :**माननीय सदस्य, आपने बंगाली भाषा में बोलने हेतु पहले से inform किया है या नहीं, क्योंकि भाषांतरण की व्यवस्था करनी होती है?

SHRI SUKHENDU SEKHAR RAY: I have informed them. He is there. \*Sir, the London Tube Railway Authority has recently put up a signboard at its Whitechapel station in Bengali language along with English. It has been done as many Bengali-speaking people live around Whitechapel area. It is not only recognition of the pride of Bengali language but this decision is also recognition of the thousand-year old Indian language, its dignity and its international glory.

Sir, I wish to apprise the Central Government, through you, that there are many Central Government establishments in our State and they display signboards in English and Hindi; we do not have objection to that. There is no objection if the signboards are displayed in English or Hindi, but I request that the signboards should also be displayed in Bengali language along with English and/or Hindi. I also request the Central Government through you, Sir that the Metro Railway stations which will come up in the future in West Bengal may display the signboards in Bengali language along with English and/or Hindi. Thank you, Sir.

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

DR. AMEE YAJNIK (Gujarat): Sir, I also associate myself with the mention made by the hon. Member.

SHRI P. WILSON (Tamil Nadu): Sir, I also associate myself with the mention made by the hon. Member.

SHRI IRANNA KADADI (Karnataka): Sir, I also associate myself with the mention made by the hon. Member.

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

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

SHRIMATI MAUSAM NOOR (West Bengal): Sir, I also associate myself with the mention made by the hon. Member.

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\* English translation of original speech made in Bengali.

DR. FAUZIA KHAN (Maharashtra): Sir, I also associate myself with the mention made by the hon. Member.

DR. SANTANU SEN (West Bengal): Sir, I also associate myself with the mention made by the hon. Member.

SHRIMATI PRIYANKA CHATURVEDI (Maharashtra): Sir, I also associate myself with the mention made by the hon. Member.

MS. DOLA SEN (West Bengal): Sir, I also associate myself with the mention made by the hon. Member.

SHRIMATI SHANTA CHHETRI (West Bengal): Sir, I also associate myself with the mention made by the hon. Member.

PROF. MANOJ KUMAR JHA (Bihar): Sir, I also associate myself with the mention made by the hon. Member.

SHRI JAWHAR SIRCAR (West Bengal): Sir, I also associate myself with the mention made by the hon. Member.

DR. KANIMOZHI NVN SOMU (Tamil Nadu): Sir, I also associate myself with the mention made by the hon. Member.

SHRI M. MOHAMED ABDULLA (Tamil Nadu): Sir, I also associate myself with the mention made by the hon. Member.

MR. CHAIRMAN: The issue raised by Shri Sukhendu Sekhar Ray is not confined to Kolkata alone. It is for the entire country. And for that matter, all Government signboards in every State, belonging to Central or State Governments, should be in mother tongue and State language, and then in Hindi and English. This should be the model. Otherwise, people would not be able to understand. I hope the Government will take note of this and see to it that proper instructions are given to all the concerned agencies. It has to be a national policy. We are a free and independent country.

SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH (Karnataka): Sir, let us stop using the words 'regional language'. These are national languages. Let us not use the words 'regional language'.

MR. CHAIRMAN: That has been my stand. I said it also that in the State language where it is situated. ...*(Interruptions)*...

SHRI DEEPENDER SINGH HOODA (Haryana): Sir, whenever you suggest something to the Government, somebody should, at least, take cognizance.

MR. CHAIRMAN: They are nodding their heads in agreement. ...*(Interruptions)*... There is no senior concerned Minister. ...*(Interruptions)*...

SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA (Tamil Nadu): Sir, they should at least say, 'yes'.

MR. CHAIRMAN: When I say something, it will be taken seriously. Don't worry. I will see to it. Now, Shri Neeraj Dangi.

#### **Need to complete the construction of Ratlam-Dungurpur rail line project**

**श्री नीरज डांगी (राजस्थान):** माननीय सभापति महोदय, आपने मुझे इस महत्वपूर्ण मुद्दे को उठाने का अवसर प्रदान किया, इसके लिए मैं आपको हार्दिक धन्यवाद देता हूँ।

महोदय, रेल बजट 2011-12 में डूंगरपुर-रतलाम वाया बांसवाड़ा नई रेल लाइन परियोजना स्वीकृत की गई थी। इस हेतु राजस्थान सरकार तथा रेल मंत्रालय के बीच लागत सहभागिता के लिए वर्ष 2011 में एमओयू हस्ताक्षरित किया गया था। एमओयू के समय परियोजना की संभावित लागत 2,082.75 करोड़ रुपए (परियोजना लागत) एवं 180.99 करोड़ रुपए (भूमि लागत) थी, जिसमें राजस्थान सरकार द्वारा परियोजना लागत का 50 प्रतिशत वहन किया जाना था और राजस्थान तथा मध्य प्रदेश में पड़ने वाली भूमि अधिग्रहण की लागत को राजस्थान सरकार द्वारा वहन किया जाना था।

राजस्थान सरकार द्वारा रेलवे को प्रथम किस्त के रूप में 200 करोड़ रुपए का भुगतान मार्च, 2011 में कर दिया गया था और इस परियोजना का शिलान्यास भी दिनांक 30.06.2011 को कर दिया गया था। समय पर कार्य प्रारंभ नहीं होने की वजह से वर्तमान में परियोजना एवं भूमि अधिग्रहण की लागत अत्यधिक बढ़ गई है। ऐसे में माननीय मुख्य मंत्री, राजस्थान ने माननीय प्रधान मंत्री जी को अवगत कराया कि राजस्थान सरकार बढ़ी हुई परियोजना लागत वहन करने में सक्षम नहीं है, इसलिए रेलवे व्यावहारिक दृष्टिकोण अपनाते हुए इस महत्वपूर्ण परियोजना को स्वयं के संसाधनों से पूर्ण करवाए। हालाँकि मध्य प्रदेश और राजस्थान में भूमि अधिग्रहण की लागत का भुगतान राजस्थान सरकार द्वारा ही किया जाना है। साथ ही इन्होंने इस प्रकरण में नीति