

Prime Minister's visit to Shantiniketan

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95. SHRI SRADHAKAR SUPAKAR:*SHRIMATI TARA SAPRE:****SHRI ONKAR LAL BERWA:****SHRI NIHAL SINGH:**

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether during the Prime Minister's visit to Shantiniketan on 24-12-1967, there was an explosion of a bomb at the time of convocation of Vishwabharati;

(b) the details of the enquiry made; and

(c) whether the culprit has been arrested and sent up for trial?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The information is being collected from the State Government and will be laid on the Table of the House.

SHRI SRADHAKAR SUPAKAR: Sir, two serious incidents involving the security of the person of our Prime Minister have occurred in the course of one year. May I know whether the security arrangements with respect to the present Prime Minister are as good as in the case of the previous Prime Minister?

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN: There is no doubt about it. The security of the Prime Minister is very important.

SHRI RANGA: Why taking such a long time, so many weeks, to collect the information?

SHRI SRADHAKAR SUPAKAR: There is a growing tendency of expressing the anger against a particular political Party by means of physical violence and physical threats against the leaders of that political Party. What steps at the political level is the Home Minister going to take to meet such a situation?

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN: Well, Sir, the cult of violence seems to be somewhat on the increase in recent weeks and in recent months and the only political action that I can take is to make an appeal to all the leaders of political thoughts to see that it is properly controlled.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE: Can he make an appeal to the police not to plant these bombs? They are doing it.

श्री श्रीः लाल बरवा : क्या सरकार को किसी ऐसी विदेशी मशीनरी का पता लगा है जो इन घटनाओं को करवा रही है और इस देश के बड़े बड़े नेताओं को खत्म करने की कोशिश कर रही है? जैसे शान्तिनिकेतन में प्रधान मंत्री की उपस्थिति में एक बम फटा और पंडित दीन दयाल उपाध्याय को गाड़ी में मरवा दिया गया। बंगाल में बम फटने का इस तरह की कई घटनाएँ हो रही हैं। वहाँ पर कार्यालयों में भी बम फटे हैं। मंत्री महोदय ने स्वयं भी बताया था कि कुछ बमों पर पाकिस्तान के निशान पाए गए। मैं यह जानना चाहता हूँ कि सरकार इस बारे में क्या कार्यवाही कर रही है।

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN: We have no evidence to prove that foreign elements are involved in these things.

SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR CHATTERJI: We are informed that quite a large number of the police force were on duty on that day at that place and that a large number of police officers were also on the alert. How is it that the bomb was thrown with such a large contingent of the police force being there and working there?

The hon. Minister has stated that he is collecting information. Does he not feel that there is delay, there must be some reasons for it and that a proper investigation is not being carried on? That is our impression.

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN: I cannot say because more details of the enquiry are not with me. But I find that a case under secs. 307, 326 and 120-B, IPC and under sec. 5 of the Indian Explosives Act was registered and in this connection 8 students were arrested. That means investigation is proceeding and certainly some action was taken immediately.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE: Though I am very sorry for the incident, I would like to know from the hon. Minister whether he has made any enquiry with his own apparatus, that is, of the central apparatus, that in regard to the bomb which exploded in Lal Bazar in Calcutta, the bomb which exploded in Speaker Bijoy Banerjee's house in Calcutta....

MR. SPEAKER: About other bombs, separate questions may be tabled.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE:.... and the bomb which recently exploded in Shantiniketan, there is a feeling in West Bengal these were being done either by the CIA agents or by the police in order to defame a political party or parties? Has he made any such enquiry?

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN: As far as this incident is concerned, I have no information to show that a foreign element was involved in it. I think this would be trying merely to divert attention on the foreign elements so as to cover the indigenous violent elements.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE: What about the police?

MR. SPEAKER: Shrimati Lakshmi-kanthamma.

श्रीमती लक्ष्मी कान्ताम्मा : अध्यक्ष महोदय . .

SHRI HEM BARUA: On a point of order. Yesterday you asked the hon. lady Member not to speak in Hindi but to speak in Telugu. It is in the proceedings.

MR. SPEAKER: I have no objection. She can speak in any language.

SHRI HEM BARUA: This shows that you are allergic to Hindi.

MR. SPEAKER: Everybody may experiment with his or her knowledge of any language here. I cannot object.

श्री अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी : अध्यक्ष महोदय कल आपने इस संदर्भ में जो कुछ कहा उससे यह धारणा पैदा हुई कि शायद आप हिन्दी में सवाल पूछा जाना पसन्द नहीं करते हैं। यह धारणा वहीं पैदा होनी चाहिए।

MR. SPEAKER: I have no objection. Let there be no mistake about it. Anybody can speak in any language. I am allowing even Malayalam and Kannada.

श्री कंवरलाल गुप्त : अध्यक्ष महोदय आपने अभी जो एक्सपेरिमेंट करने की बात कही है उससे तो यह धारणा जरूर पैदा होती है कि आपको हिन्दी में सवाल पूछा जाना सन्द नहीं है।

MR. SPEAKER: No, no.

SHRI NAMBIAR: But nobody should slaughter the language. This is nothing but slaughtering the language.

श्रीमती लक्ष्मी कान्ताम्मा : जैसे माननीय सदस्य तो परफेक्ट अंग्रेजी बोलते हैं।

SHRI ANBAZHAGAN: The hon. Member wanted the DMK members to speak in Tamil because it is their regional language. On the same argument, let the hon. Member also speak in Telugu which is her regional language.

MR. SPEAKER: I cannot compel anybody to speak in a particular language.

SHRI NAMBIAR: But there must be some language in it.

SHRI MANOHARAN: You are not expected to attribute motives. Do not attribute motives to anybody.

श्रीमती लक्ष्मी कान्तः : क्या गवर्नमेंट बता सकती कि इस गांव का रिपोर्ट कब तक आ जायेगी ?

श्री यशबन्तराव चव्हाण : मैं कोशिश करूंगा कि वह जल्दी आ जाये।

श्री प्रेम चन्द वर्मा : मैं गृह मंत्री महोदय से पुछना चाहता हूं कि क्या सरकार वर्तमान स्थिति का देखते हुए नेशनल लीडर्स की प्रकृष्टता का कड़ा करों पर विचार कर रही है अगर नहीं तो कबों श्री प्रेम चन्द वर्मा हां तो वह कोन से कदम उठये जा रहे हैं ?

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN: I answered this question, and our point of view in this matter is that it is very difficult to draw up a scheme for all national leaders, but for those who ask for it, it can be thought out.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTION

Speeches of Sheikh Abdullah

- *96. SHRI YASHPAL SINGH:
SHRI MADHU LIMAYE:
SHRI T. D. RAMABADRAN:
SHRI MAYAVAN:
SHRI N. ANBHUCHEZHIAN:
SHRI E. K. NAYANAR:
SHRI S. C. SAMANTA:
SHRI SHRI CHAND GOEL:
DR. RANEN SEN:
SHRI SHIVA CHANDRA JHA:
SHRI S. KUNDU:
SHRI B. K. DASCHOW-
DHURY:
SHRI RAM CHARAN:
SHRI RAGHUVIR SINGH
SHRASTRI:
SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA:
SHRI R. S. VIDYARTHI:
SHRI RAM GOPAL SHAL-
WALE:

SHRI N. S. SHARMA:
SHRI HARDAYAL DEVGUN:
SHRI Y. S. KUSHWAH:
SHRI G. C. DIXIT:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Sheikh Abdullah has made several speeches in the country recently which are against the country's interest; and

(b) if so, the action taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN): (a) and (b). While Government consider some of the speeches made by Sheikh Abdullah to be misconceived and objectionable, they have not considered any action in respect of those speeches advisable.

Kashmir Chief Minister's Statement on Kashmir's Status

*97. SHRI PREM CHAND VERMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the newspaper reports according to which the Chief Minister of Kashmir is reported to have said that the "quantum of accession of Kashmir" was negotiable;

(b) if so, whether the Kashmir Chief Minister has been asked to clarify the implications of this statement;

(c) whether the Central Government have given any indication of any change of the present status of Kashmir to the Chief Minister; and

(d) if so, the proposals under the consideration of the Central Government?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN): (a) and (b). Government have seen the reports in the Press to this effect. On