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Title: Regarding demolition of a Church in Delhi-laid.

SHRI THOMAS CHAZHIKADAN (KOTTAYAM): Little Flower Catholic Church at Andheria Modh, Lado Sarai in Chhatarpur, Delhi at which thousands of devotees used to pray for the last 13 years, was demolished on 12th July, 2021 by the authorities. More than 450 families are members of this church under the Faridabad Syro Malabar (Syrian Catholic) diocese. This insensible act has created great distrust among the Christian minorities. This demolition is in violation of the Delhi High Court's directions in a case in 2002 and also against the clear directions given by the NHRC in 2016. Both, the High Court and NHRC directed the authorities not to single out any person or institution and allowed the functioning of the church to continue. The church authorities were denied the opportunity to exercise legal remedies before the demolition. I request immediate intervention of the Minister of Home Affairs in this matter so that the rights of minorities are protected.

माननीय सभापति : सदस्यगण, यह बहुत ही महत्वपूर्ण मॉनसून सत्र है। मैं आपसे निवेदन करता हूँ कि इसे हटा लीजिए। इसको हटा लीजिए। यह सदन चर्चा करने के लिए है।

... (व्यवधान)

माननीय सभापति : सभा की कार्यवाही तीन बजे तक के लिए स्थगित की जाती है।

14.09 hrs

The Lok Sabha then adjourned till Fifteen of the Clock.

15.00 hrs

The Lok Sabha reassembled at Fifteen of the Clock.

(Dr. (Prof.) Kirit Premjibhai Solanki in the Chair)

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15.0 ½ hrs

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At this stage S/Shri P.V. Midhun Reddy, N.K. Premachandran and some other Hon. Members came and stood on the floor near the Table.

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माननीय सभापति : श्री अर्जुन राम मेघवाल जी ।

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