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Title: Regarding incidents of Vandalism of Hindu Temples in Andhra Pradesh -laid.

SHRI RAGHU RAMA KRISHNA RAJU (NARSAPURAM): During the past one year incidents of vandalism of Hindu Temples and Idols of deities is rampant in Andhra Pradesh. Nearly 140 statues and temples have been destroyed in such incidents. Recently, on 29th of December, 2020, the desecration of 400 year old Lord Rama idol of Ramatheertham Temple in Vizianagaram triggered tension and public outrage across the state. The government and opposition accused each other for these incidents. A Christian Pastor, had been arrested as he had openly confessed to his personal involvement and is allegedly receiving funds for propagation of Christianity and destroying Hindu Temples. It is against Hindu Religion and hurting the feelings and sentiments of the Hindus. In view of above, I urge the government to investigate the matter thoroughly and take stringent action against the perpetrators of these attacks on Temples to obviate repeat of such incidents in future.