

[*Translation*]

**Loans Outstanding against Big Industrialists**

7163. P.R. GANGWAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state

(a) the names of the big industrialists against whom loans are outstanding and the amount of loan outstanding against each one of them; and

(b) the details of steps taken to recover the loan ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) In accordance with the practices and usages customary amongst the bankers and the financial institutions and the statutes governing them, information relating to, or to the affairs of their individual constituents is not divulged.

(b) The public sector banks have been instructed by RBI to review all borrowal accounts periodically. Whenever the conduct of an individual account reveals irregularities, steps are taken to regularise the advance and, if they fail, loans are recalled and various measures taken to recover the dues including resorting to legal proceedings against the borrowers and the guarantors, if any.

12.00 hrs.

(*Interruptions*)

[*English*]

MR. SPEAKER: I am allowing the Lady Member to speak.

(*Interruptions*)

[*Translation*]

SHRIMATI BHAVNA CHIKHALIA (Ju-

nagarh): Mr. Speaker, Sir, I thank you for granting me permission to speak during zero hour.

Mr. Speaker, Sir, through you, I would like to draw the attention of the Central Government to a very urgent matter.

Gujarat produces largest quantity of groundnut in the country. During the last few days the groundnut crop has been affected by the 'Rataria' disease and 'Lashkari' pest is damaging it in Saurashtra area. At a time when supply of oilseeds has become a matter of concern to all, it has become even more essential to save this crop. Therefore, through you, I would like to request the Central Government to take immediate steps in this direction. (*Interruptions*)

[*English*]

MR. SPEAKER: I am calling Shri Sudersan Raychaudhuri to speak.

SHRI SUDERSAN RAYCHAUDHURI (Serampore): Sir, the Indian Council of World Affairs, New Delhi, is a prestigious academic institution of our country providing facilities for research and study of the world affairs and foreign policy. It has gained international reputation and the names of luminaries like Shri Tej Bahadur Sapru, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and Dr. Rajendra Prasad are associated with this institution. Unfortunately, during the last several years, utter mismanagement and gross misappropriation of funds have been reported and these have even ruined the institution. Number of bogus members is increasing day by day. Important books and documents are decaying and they are pest-stricken. I have these books with me and I can show you that. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI MURLI DEORA (Bombay South): How were you allowed to bring these books?

SHRI SUDERSAN RAYCHAUDHURI: Members have taken these books from the Delivery Lending Section.

Staff and employees are not getting