

Title: Regarding CITU's attack on the Statesman office in Siliguri, West Bengal.

SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY (CHHAPRA): I will also do the same thing next time if you disturb like this.

Sir, the time is running out. Sir, a group of CITU members attacked *The Statesman's* Siliguri office with bricks and stones yesterday. The CITU members laid siege and a blockade continued for more than eight hours. Twenty-five employees were inside the office....(*Interruptions*)

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The Policemen on guard and the Sub-Inspectors present there suggested to the management that before they took any action, they must talk to the CITU workers. Even when the Police was called, it took them some time because the Police said that they did not have a wagon and a wagon was sent from the Police station.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Shri Priya Ranjan Dasmunsi.

SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY (CHHAPRA): Even the Editor of *The statesman* tried to meet the Chief Minister of West Bengal. He was not given an audience and the situation is very bad.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Shri Priya Ranjan Dasmunsi.

SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY (CHHAPRA): The situation in West Bengal is very bad and it is a matter of great shame and injustice that the Press is being attacked there. I want this House to condemn this incident that has happened in West Bengal.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Shri Priya Ranjan Dasmunsi now.