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as provided to North East region.

SHRI ABDUL RASHID SHAHEEN (BARAMULLA): I would like to draw the attention of the Central Government towards the fact that for the last ten years J&K State, especially the border district of Jammu & Kashmir Valley have suffered heavy jolt. The sources of income in Kashmir Valley have almost dried up. Tourist trade has come to an absolute grinding halt. Almost all the schools in border areas have been destroyed during militants' violence. Bridges, roads and important Government buildings have also been damaged. National Conference Government had to start afresh to restore the destroyed infrastructure. The double-pronged thrust of facing the militancy on one hand and to restore the process of development and rebuilding of infrastructure on the other hand is an onerous job.

Under such circumstances, J&K State needs full-fledged help from the Central Government. It is heartening to note that hon. Prime Minister has announced the financial package to North-Eastern States. We stress the need for extending the similar financial package to J&K State, so that hope and strength would be generated again in the peace-loving masses and their strength for restoring normalcy from the terrorist violence will come to forefront.

...(Interruptions)

श्री मुलायम सिंह यादव ; अध्यक्ष महोदय, हमें मजबूर मत करें। हम सदन को चलवाना चाहते हैं। लेकिन अगर हमारे हकों को छीना जायेगा तो हमारी मजबूरी है। इसलिये हमारा आपसे निवेदन है कि इस पर बहस होनी चाहिये।...

श्री प्रियरंजन दासमुंशी (रायगंज); हम पूरी बहस करेंगे, इनका नकाब उतार देंगे।

...(शब्दव्यवस्था)

कुंवर अखिलेश कुमार सिंह (महाराजगंज); अध्यक्ष महोदय, आर.एस.एस. की गतिविधियों से पूरा देश आक्रांत है...