Title: Regarding problems being faced by the linguistic minorities in Karnataka.

SHRI T.M. SELVAGANPATHI: When there was a move to review the ban, the concerned Minister was roughed up and his chamber was ransacked. The Government fell in line with the chauvinists. This has been going in Karnataka while Congress is shedding crocodile tears for the religious minorities in Gujarat. A Tamil MLA was assaulted in the precincts of the Vidhan Sabha and in the eye of the law enforcing machinery, the culprits were allowed to escape. This is a serious situation. Karnataka has got problems with all its borders....(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: Please conclude.

SHRI T.M. SELVAGANPATHI: Please give me one minute more.

Tamil channels are not allowed. Tamil channels have been closed. Tamils are not given the right to information....(*Interruptions*)

SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM (THANJAVUR): Sir, I also associate with what the hon. Member is saying.

MR. SPEAKER: If you want, you are allowed to associate with him.

SHRI T.M. SELVAGANPATHI: This makes us feel or wonder whether Karnataka is part of Gujarat....(*Interruptions*) It is detrimental to the interest of the linguistic minorities. There is a serious situation. The Government of India should intervene. This is the right time. Karnataka has got border problems with all its neighbours.

MR. SPEAKER: This is the exact reason why you do not get opportunities because you cannot complete in one minute or two minutes.

SHRI T.M. SELVAGANPATHI: Please give me one minute.

MR. SPEAKER: I gave you an opportunity thinking that you were agitated, but you must complete within a minute's time. This is not an occasion to make a long speech.

SHRI T.M. SELVAGANPATHI: There is a serious situation. Karnataka is not adhering to the law of the nation. It is defying the orders of the Supreme Court. It is defying the orders of the Central Government. The Government of India should intervene. Otherwise there is a serious threat....(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: Please keep silence in the House.