Title: Alleged frequent incidents of robbery in trains by offering intoxicating food to passengers.

SHRI SANTASRI CHATTERJEE (SERAMPORE): Sir, I would like to draw the attention of the hon. Minister of Railways to the problems faced by the ordinary passengers. It has become a matter of grave concern. ...(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: You have made your point very forcefully - और क्या करेंगे।

...(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: Please take your seat. You have made your point very clear.

...(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: I have allowed the hon. Member. He has made his point forcefully. You can associate with that. आप क्या बात करते हैं।

...(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: Do not interrupt the proceedings. You associate with that.

...(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: I cannot direct. Sorry.

...(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: No, there is not a single precedent in this House in 58 years. I will not follow this. Now please sit down.

...(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: You can associate. I will allow you to associate, without notice even.

...(Interruptions)

* Not Recorded

SHRI SANTASRI CHATTERJEE (SERAMPORE): It is reported in various newspapers that passengers travelling in sleeper class are offered food by some unscrupulous elements. After accepting the food, they fall asleep and these elements rob the passengers of all their belongings. ...(Interruptions) Recently, one family was travelling by Kalka Mail from Delhi to Howrah. In the same way, the family was robbed at Mughalsarai station. Fortunately, the lady could not be intoxicated fully. She fought with them and saved the family to some extent, and culprits were arrested at Asansol. But such happenings are going on.

Sir, I would request, through you, to the hon. Minister of Railways to kindly rise to the occasion and ensure the safety and security of the ordinary passengers.