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Participants : Baalu Shri T.R., Chatterjee Shri Somnath, Krishnan Dr. C.

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Title : Incident of Stampede resulting in death of 42 persons in Tamil Nadu.

DR. C. KRISHNAN : Thank you Sir, for giving me this opportunity to speak about a very sad incident that has occurred in Tamil Nadu... (*Interruptions*) I am speaking on behalf of MDMK headed by Shri Vaiko who has visited that place to console the people.

MR. SPEAKER: Except Dr. C. Krishnan's submission, nothing else will be recorded.in

(Interruptions) ... *

DR. C. KRISHNAN : Mr. Speaker Sir, thank you very much for giving me this opportunity to speak about a very sad incident that has occurred in Tamil Nadu on the early morning of 18th December 2005.

MR. SPEAKER: These are not matters of Central Government at all. I have already mentioned it.

DR. C. KRISHNAN : Sir, we want to bring it to the notice of the House what is happening in Tamil Nadu. The thing is that these people had assembled in the mid-night, which was most unwanted and unwarranted. It was to be questioned. They assembled there and the police did not take care of the people who were assembled there. There were about 4,000 people assembled thinking that the ration cards or the tokens would be issued to them... (*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER: I have mentioned it from the Chair.

*Not Recorded

DR. C. KRISHNAN : All of a sudden there was a stampede and 42 people died on the spot; about 37 people have been admitted in the hospital. This is most unfortunate and unwanted. There is a lapse on behalf of the Government officials for not restricting the assembly there.

Sir, a similar incident had occurred at Vyasarpadi... (Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: You are allowing the State matters to be raised.

DR. C. KRISHNAN : Sir, six people died for the first time when it occurred and now 42 people have died. They were all poor people.

MR. SPEAKER: Shri L. Ganesan, Dr R. Senthil, Shri S.K. Kharventhan, Kunwar Rewati Raman Singh, Shri C. Kuppusami, Shri S. Ravichandran, A.V. Bellarmin and Shri P. Mohan. Their names will be recorded as having associated on this matter.

... (Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: Nothing is being recorded.

(Interruptions) ... *

MR. SPEAKER: Well, I will adjourn the House, if you do not take your seats.

... (Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: What do you want, tell me?

... (Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: Please sit down, when I am on my legs. I have raised it from the Chair. I have allowed you, although it is a State matter because large number of people are involved. It is a question of being affected by natural disasters and people have suffered again. You have raised it further [r16].

All these hon. Member's names have been recorded. I am sure – the Government is here – they will take it into consideration. They are very worthy representatives of Tamil Nadu here in the Government. How are you serving your State or the people by shouting like this – I am sorry to use that expression – and taking this House's time? This does not make your issue more important. It only creates a bad impression.

... (Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: Please sit down. You are senior enough. This is too much.

... (Interruptions)

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): Hon. Speaker, Sir, I have a humble submission. May I request the hon. Speaker to kindly allow one minute to each of them... (*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER: One minute to each to the ten Members on the same issue!

SHRI T.R. BAALU: It is an emotional issue.... (Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: It is only for your constituents.

... (Interruptions)

*Not Recorded MR. SPEAKER: No. This is not fair.

... (Interruptions)

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MR. SPEAKER: I am recording; each one of the hon. Members' names have been recorded. Each one of the hon. Members have rightly submitted notices and I appreciate their concern. All their names have been associated. They wanted to speak again. I appreciate their concern. But, since the time of the House is also important, allowing them to associate with the views on the matter, I am calling Shri Devendra Prasad Yadav.

श्री प्रभुनाथ सिंह (महाराजगंज, बिहार) : लीडर्स मीटिंग में यह तय हुआ था कि एमपीलैड्स पर...(व्यवधान)

अध्यक्ष महोदय : यह चर्चा की बात नहीं है। Everybody is directing the Chair as to how to conduct the House. This is the trouble.

... (Interruptions)