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Title : All India strike by Banking and Income -tax employees.

SHRI AMITAVA NANDY (DUMDUM): Hon. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I want to draw the attention of the Government, particularly the Finance Minister, through you, Sir. The country has come to know that the bank employees are going to strike on the 28th of August, and similarly, IT Officers also are going to strike on the 4th of August.

Sir, these two sectors are very important sectors of the financial periphery of our country. The bank employees raise their demand on the question of recruitment in the banking industry. Sir, you know that many employees have taken VRS during the last few years and thus reduction in the number of bank employees has taken place in the banking industry. But at the same time, recruitment is also stopped. Sir, you know that the unemployed educated youth were getting jobs in the banking industry so far, but during the last few years the Government has stopped the recruitment in the banking industry.

Another demand that they have raised is that some of the bank employees are getting pension as per last wage settlement but the employees who were recruited afterwards are not getting pension in the banking industry[<u>lh54</u>].

Therefore, they raised this demand of social security. The second option should be allowed to the bank employees who are not getting the pension so far.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Thank you.

SHRI AMITAVA NANDY : Sir, there is another important demand, which they have raised in the interest of the national economy. Yesterday, the Government has introduced one Bill regarding banking.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: What is your demand?

SHRIAMITAVA NANDY: It is regarding outsourcing of the clearing system in the banks. The bank employees have raised this demand that it should be stopped because so far, the clearing of cheques is conducted by the Reserve Bank of India. Now, all over India, around 1,100 centres are operating as clearing agencies. $\hat{a} \in [$

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SHRI AMITAVA NANDY: This is to stop the outsourcing. I would urge upon the Government to stop the outsourcing of the clearing system in the banking industry.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Thank you. Mr. Nandy, please take your seat. This is not the time for a full-fledged debate.

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MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Now, Shrimati Jayaben Thakkar.

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MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Now, nothing would go on record except the submission made by Shrimati Thakkar.

(Interruptions) … *

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Mr. Nandy, whatever you are speaking now, is not going on record. Kindly take your seat.

(Interruptions) …*