

Fourteenth Loksabha

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Participants : Secretary-General, Salim Shri Mohammad, Chatterjee Shri Somnath, Chatterjee Shri Somnath, Salim Shri Mohammad

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Title : Presentation of the Report on Indian Parliamentary participation in the 51st Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference in Nadi, Fiji from 1-10 September, 2005 (Laid). .

SECRETARY-GENERAL : Sir, I lay on the Table the Report (Hindi and English versions) on Indian Parliamentary participation in the 51st Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference in Nadi, Fiji from 1 – 10 September, 2005.

MD. SALIM (CALCUTTA – NORTH EAST): Sir, I want to make one point regarding this item being laid on the Table of the House. ... (*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER: I thought that you would appreciate it. You are criticising it instead of appreciating it.

... (*Interruptions*)

MD. SALIM : Sir, I am welcoming and appreciating this step. ... (*Interruptions*)

SHRI BASU DEB ACHARIA (BANKURA): Sir, he only wants to make one point. ... (*Interruptions*) He will appreciate for the first time. ... (*Interruptions*)

MD. SALIM : Sir, I welcome this gesture. ... (*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER: This is not a gesture. This is a commitment. This is being done for the first time, but you are criticising it instead of appreciating it.

... (*Interruptions*)

MD. SALIM : Sir, I am only saying that never before this has been done. ... (*Interruptions*) I am welcoming and appreciating this. It should not be a gesture alone, but it should be done on a regular basis, so that there is some transparency, and the Members are also informed about it. ... (*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER: Yes, in future it would be done, and I am sure about it.

... (*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER: It is the first time that this is being done, and we are trying to do something in it. Therefore, I think that you should express appreciation for the staff of this Secretariat.

... (*Interruptions*)

MD. SALIM : Yes, Sir, I am welcoming it. But my point is that the report is pertaining to the visit of the Parliamentary Delegation, and its participation in Fiji in September 2005. We are asking the Ministries also to come out with their Reports within six months, that is, in the next Session, so that necessary action, if any, could be taken promptly.

MR. SPEAKER: It should be done, and it will be done.

MD. SALIM : Sir, I am only submitting that it should not be submitted after a gap of one year and ten months.
... (*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER: No, you are wrong. It is not after one year and ten months, but it is only after one year.

... (*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER: I do not know whether it is permissible, but I must compliment the Secretariat for the steps that have been taken in it. We are now filing Reports for every visit, which nobody thought of earlier.

... (व्यवधान)

अध्यक्ष महोदय : ठीक है, आप को-आपरेट कीजिए, तो जाएंगे।
