Title: Regarding indefinite hunger strike against the systematic dissemination of Foreign Department of SBI in Kolkata.

shift the Foreign Department of the State Bank of India from Kolkata, there was an intervention from the former Chief Minister of West Bengal, Shri Jyoti Basu; and on his request, there was a decision taken that at least 50 per cent of the core activities of the Foreign Department will be retained at Kolkata only. Now, that there is a move to shift the rest of the activities from Kolkata to Mumbai, there is a resistance from the employees and the users of that Foreign Department, and for the last two days, an indefinite hunger strike is going on.[r24]

Now I would urge upon the Government, and particularly the Finance Minister who is here, that the Government must intervene in the situation because the situation is daily becoming serious and West Bengal Circle of State Bank of India employees and officers have taken a decision to go for a strike. If the Government does not intervene in such a situation, it will affect the interest of the wider public, those who use this Foreign Department. I seek the intervention of the Finance Minister in this matter.

श्री वीरेन्द्र कुमार : महोदय, हमारे माननीय साथियों ने उत्तर प्रदेश के बारे में बहुत प्रश्न उठाए हैं कि उत्तर प्रदेश में जो बुंदेलखंड है...(<u>व्यवधान</u>)

MR. SPEAKER: We had agreed that only five matters would be allowed. I have allowed 14 matters and other Members have also associated.

...(Interruptions)

अध्यक्ष महोदय : सबके मुद्दे महत्वपूर्ण हैं।

…(<u>व्यवधान</u>)