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Title: Problems being faced by Ministers and MPs due to call given by Anna Hazare to conduct sittings, gheraos and protests outside their residences in Delhi.

SHRI M.I. SHANAVAS (WAYANAD): Thank you so much, Mr. Chairman. I would like to call the attention of this august House to a very urgent and important matter that is concerning all the Members irrespective of political affiliations in this august House.

As we all know very well that an agitation is going on in the Ramlila Grounds. I do not want to go into the merits or demerits of the agitation of Shri Anna Hazare, but I am concerned; I have my own agony; and indeed, I have some anger also with respect to the mode of agitation that is going on. A call has been made from the Ramlila Grounds to go to the houses of the Parliamentarians and *gherao* them. Hence, so many incidents are taking place in many parts of the country.

We, the Parliamentarians, are the guardians of the Constitution; we are the law-makers; and we represent every nook and corner of this country. If we are intimidated; if we are black-mailed; and if we cannot reside in our houses with our family and do the legislative work, then it will be a great disaster for the country. We, the Parliamentarians, have been safeguarding the Constitution and the Parliamentary democracy for the past 60 years, and if the very root of Parliamentary democracy is cut-off, then anarchy will be there. What had happened when the civil society marched in 1930 to the Emperor's Palace for giving some powers? Mussolini was given power; he became the dictator; and six crore people were killed.

Sir, we want your protection. What will happen if we march to the houses of team Anna Hazare? What will we do if tomorrow BJP workers march and agitate in front of the houses of Congress MPs? What will happen if the Congress MPs march to the houses of the BJP MPs? Anarchy will be the result of this. So, through you, I would urge upon this Government to take urgent steps with regard to this issue. This has never happened anywhere before. If this happens today, then tomorrow Maoists will take up this dangerous weapon. So, we have to control it, and we have to stop it. The Parliamentarians should be spared irrespective of whoever has made the call to do it. I would respectfully submit this to you. Thank you, Sir.

सभापति महोदया : माननीय मंत्री जी, माननीय सदस्य की चिंता का संज्ञान लें।

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MR. CHAIRMAN: The names of hon. Member

Shrimati Botcha Jhansi Lakshmi,

Shri Anto Antony,

Shri Ratan Singh and

Rajaram Pal and

Shri Pratap Singh Bajwa are also associated with the issue raised by Shri M. I. Shanavas.