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Title:Requests the Government to make a statement regarding the attacks on minorities in Assam.

SHRI ABDUL HAMID (DHUBRI): Sir, in Assam, eight people have been killed, five people have been missing and three people have been seriously injured. It is a serious matter, but the Assam Government failed completely to protect the minorities. ... (Interruptions)

श्री लालू प्रसाद : उपाध्यक्ष जी, यह अन्याय हो रहा है। मंत्री जी जवाब दें।

उपाध्यक्ष महोदय : आप बैठिये। पहले श्री हमीद को पूरा कर लेने दीजिये।

डा. शकील अहमद (मधुबनी) : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, यह बहुत सीरियस मैटर है, ८ लोग मारे गये हैं। मिनिस्टर फार पार्लियामेंटरी अफेअर्स यहां बैठे हुये हैं..

SHRI ABDUL HAMID : Sir, in lower Assam, killing of the minorities has become a daily occurrence. The Assam Government has failed completely, and the Central Government has not taken any action against the Bodo militants. Lower Assam is a very sensitive area and, in this hotbed, killings and kidnappings are taking place daily where the minorities have become the target. But the hon. Home Minister has not taken any action. When it happened in Bihar, the Central Ministers have visited Bihar. But in Assam, where the minorities are being killed systematically, no Central Minister has visited the place till now. What is this? It is not merely a law and order problem. It is a serious matter. The killings have become a daily occurrence, but the Central Government has not taken any action. It is a very serious matter. When something had happened in Bihar, the Central Ministers were sent, but in the case of Assam, nobody was sent. ... (Interruptions)

SHRI G.M. BANATWALLA (PONNANI): Let the Government make a statement on this. ... (Interruptions)

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Shri Banatwalla, I have given the floor to the hon. Leader of the Opposition.

SHRI SHARAD PAWAR (BARAMATI): A serious issue has been raised by the hon. Member from Assam. There were attacks on minorities, dalits and tribals. I think, it is high time that some definite statement is made in the House. It is the right of the House to know what exactly has happened there and what exactly the Government would like to do. ... (Interruptions)

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: The Parliamentary Affairs Minister wants to say something.

... (Interruptions)

THE MINISTER OF POWER, MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI P.R. KUMARAMANGALAM): Sir, he does not want me to reply. I want to be identified, but they are not listening. ... (Interruptions)

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Shri Banatwalla, he wants to react. I am on my legs. Will you please be seated? Will you please resume your seat? Do you not want him to react?

... (Interruptions)

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Nothing of that will go on record.

(Interruptions)*

* Not recorded

SHRI P.R. KUMARAMANGALAM: Sir, I am grateful to you for having given me this opportunity. The Leader of the Opposition along with others have brought to the notice of the House of what they consider to be a very serious situation. I will bring it to the notice of the hon. Home Minister. I am sure, I will revert back to the House. ... (Interruptions)

SHRI RAJESH PILOT (DAUSA): This is not correct. If you recollect, last time, there was a discussion on the situation in the North-East.

श्री लालू प्रसाद : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, बिहार में धारा ३५६ लागू हुये १५ दिन हो गये हैं। धारा ३५६ के मामले में....

(Interruptions)

SHRI RAJESH PILOT : If you recollect, there was a discussion in this House for one day. We discussed the situation in the North-East and what the Home Minister said was that he would send a Parliamentary Committee to the North-East. He said that in the last Session, but till today, he has not sent any Committee.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Shri Rajesh Pilot, the Leader of the Opposition has brought it to the notice of the Government.

SHRI RAJESH PILOT : This is not about bringing the issue to the notice of the Government.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: You are talking about the entire North-East. This is not about entire North-East. The hon. Member from the North-East has already mentioned it, and the Government has noted it.

... (Interruptions)

... (व्यवधान)