12.08 hrs.

SHIPPING DEVELOPMENT FUND COMMITTEL ABOLITION) AMENDMENT

[English]

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY): I beg to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Shipping Development Fund Committee (Abolition) Act, 1986. Sir, I want to draw attention of the House to Clause 2 of the Bill which would involve expenditure from the Consolidated Fund of India. It should have been printed in bold letters out it has not been done so because of printing error.

MR. SPEAKER: The question is:

"That leave be granted to introduce a Bill to amend the Shipping Development Fund Committee (Abolition) Act, 1986."

The Motion was adopted

SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: I introduce the Bill.

12.09 hrs.

LABOUR LAWS (EXEMPTION FROM FURNISHING RETURNS AND MAINTAIN-ING REGISTERS BY CERTAIN ESTABLISHMENTS) BILL

[English]

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P.A.

SANGMA): I beg to move for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the exemption of employers in relation to establishments employing a small number of persons from furnishing returns and maintaining registers under certain labour laws.

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MR. SPEAKER: The question is:

"That leave be granted to introduce a Bill to provide for the exemption of employers in relation to establishments employing a small number of persons from furnishing returns and maintaining registers under certain labour laws."

DR. DATTA SAMANT (Bombay South Central): I have raised an objection.

MR. SPEAKER: What objection?

12.10 hrs.

[MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER in the Chair]

DR. DATTA SAMANT: I have given a notice to oppose the introduction of this Bill on this point that various Acts-Payment of Wages Act 1936, the Minimum Wages Act 1948, the Plantation Labours Act 1951, the Working Journalists Newspaper Employees Act 1955-some of the acts were introduced by Britishers in 1936. This is a particular legislation with regard to workers numbering less than 20 or 10.

In case of unorganised labour, the number is about 30 which is not protected by this Bill. Actually they are exploited more in this country. In respect of them, none of these Acts-the Minimum Wages Act, Factories Act, Working Journalists Act-are implemented anywhere in this country.

The Hon. Minister will agree with me

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