12.26 hrs.

BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE [English]

Twenty-Sixth Report

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRIH, K. L. BHAGAT): I beg to move:

"That this House do agree with the Twenty-Sixth Report of the Business Advisory Committee presented to the House on the 7th August, 1986."

MR. SPEAKER: The question is:

"That this House do agree with the Twenty-Sixth Report of the Business Advisory Committee presented to the House on the 7th August, 1986."

The motion was adopted

12.26 hrs.

CONSTITUTION (FIFTY-FOURTH AMENDMENT) BILL* 1986

[English]

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): I beg to move for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Constitution of India.

MR. SPEAKER: The question is:

"That leave be granted to introduce a Bill further to amend the Constitution of India."

The motion was adopted

SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ: Sir, 1 introduce** the Bill.

12,27 hrs.

TAMIL NADU LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL (ABOLITION) BILL* 1986

[English]

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): I beg to move for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the abolition of the Legislative Council of the State of Tamil Nadu and for matters supplemental, incidental and consequential thereto.

MR. SPEAKER: The question is:

"That leave be granted to introduce a Bill to provide for the abolition of the Legislative Council of the State of Tamil Nadu and for matters supplemental, incidental and consequential thereto."

The motion was adopted,

SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ: Sir, I introduce the Bill.

12.28 hrs.

NATIONAL SECURITY GUARD BILL*
1986

[English]

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS:
(S. BUTA SINGH): I beg to move for leaves
to introduce a Bill to provide for the constitution and regulation of an armed force of
the Union for combating terrorist activities
with a view to protecting States against internal disturbances and for matters connected
therewith.

MR. SPEAKER: The question is:

"That leave be granted to introduce a Bill to provide for the constitution and regulation of an armed force of the Union for combating terrorist

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activities with a view to protecting States against internal disturbances and for matters connected therewith."

The Motion was adopted

S. BUTA SINGH: Sir, I introduce the Bill.

12.29 hrs.

HIGH COURT AND SUPREME COURT JUDGES (CONDITIONS OF SERVICE) AMENDMENT BILL, 1986

[English]

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H R. BHARDWAJ): On behalf of Shri A. K. Sen, I beg to move for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the High Court Judges (Conditions of Service) Act, 1954 and the Supreme Court Judges (Conditions of Service) Act, 1958.

MR. SPEAKER: The question is:

"That leave be granted to introduce a Bill further to amend the High Court Judges (Conditions of Service) Act, 1954 and the Supreme Court Judges (Conditions of Service) Act, 1958."

The motion was adopted.

SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ : Sir, I introduce** the Bill.

DISCUSSION ON RECENT RAILWAY ACCIDENTS

[English]

PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE (Rajapur): On 6th August when the House paid homage to the tragic victims of Hiroshima unfortunately, the same day we

got a ghastly news about the accident in Bihar near Palamau where Amritsar-Tatanagar Express collided with a few wagons on the bridge and as a result of that there was heavy loss of life and injury to several people. Still we do not know how many are dead. Only the dead and the God know how many have died. But I am sure, in course of time all the details will come out.

With my involvement with the railways for two years, I have always developed an emotional attachment to the railways and, therefore, whenever I hear of a ghastly railway accident, I always feel as if my own house was shaken. And with that feeling today I rise to initiate discussion on the recent railway accident.

While giving a physical analysis of various railway accidents that have taken place recently, I will, at the same time, try to offer to this House some positive and concrete suggestions by which safety can be ensured in future and at least such calamities can be minimised. They cannot be totally eliminated for the very simple reason that we have a vast system of railways which is 61,000 route kilometres with 10,000 trains everyday covering about 7.000 stations, a crore of people on the suburban and non-suburban trains travelling everyday and a large freight traffic also travelling on these lines. So. with such a vast expanse, accidents would not be totally ruled out but we must try to prevent as much damage to the system as possible so that we may be able to have a proper safety on the railways.

If you analyse the various accidents that have taken place in the course of last several years, you will find that there are various categories of accidents and they had to be daelt with in a slightly different way. We have the accidents due to human failure, we have accidents due to failure of equipments. we have the accidents due to collision of trains as in this particular case, then we have accidents due to derailment of trains caused by the fractured rails on which they run, then we have sometimes the accidents due to non-visibility as a result of fog on the railway track. We have also the railway accidents and not few—due to unmanned railway crossings of the railways. We also have certain a ccidents due to inadequate inspection

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