MR. CHAIRMAN: Discussion will be allowed. Give a notice of discussion.

(Interruptions)

SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA: Who has prepared this report? (Interruptions) In order to make the NTC mills viable, are you to throw out 80,000 workers?

MR. CHAIRMAN: That is all please.

SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA: Why were the trade unions not consulted? We were told that sub-committee on textiles has been constituted under special tripartite committee and this sub-committee has to submit a report. Before that, why has he come out with this statement to throw out 80,000 workers?

MR. CHAIRMAN: That's right. (Interruptions)I do not allow anything further now.

SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA: Why are you not allowing?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Because of the rule.

SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA: There are precedents.

(Interruptions)

MR. CHAIRMAN: Mr. Sayeed, please sit down.

(Interruptions)

SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA: You allow a discussion on this.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Discussion will be allowed.

SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA: They have planed to throw out 80,000 workers.

(Interruptions)

MR. CHAIRMAN: I am with you that a discussion should be held because my constituency is also affected.

SHRISOMNATH CHATTERJEE: When the future of 80,000 workers is affected and so many undertakings are involved, con't the Minister give information on one or two paints?

MR. CHAIRMAN: No please. I do not allow.

SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA: As you are in the Chair, you should allow because you also raised that day the problems of textile workers.

MR. CHAIRMAN: We do not want to lay down another precedent.

SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA: As you are in the Chair, you should allow.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I Sympathise with you. But I cannot allow.

(Interruptions)

SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA: It pertains to your constituency also.

SHRI SOMNATH CHATTERJEE Human lives have no value in this country. Parliament cannot sit like a sphinx. We are not here just to go by these dry rules. What will happen to this? How do we answer them? This is not the way to deal with this. (Interruptions)Human lives have no meaning in this country. Jobs have no meaning(Interruptions)

SHRIBASUDEBACHARIA: Whenthere was a bank robbery in Delhi, there was a statement form the Home Minister and we were allowed to ask questions (Interruptions)

MR. CHAIRMAN: Not allowed.

SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA: There are precedents. You can remember. (Interruptions)