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MATTERS UNDER RULE 371**(i) DUSADH AND GANGOTA TRIBES IN BIHAR**

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अध्यक्ष महोदय मैं आपका एवं सदन का ध्यान दिनांक 17 दिसम्बर 1980 के टाइम्स आफ इंडिया के मुख्य पृष्ठ पर भागलपुर के संबंध में छपे समाचार की ओर खींचना चाहता हूँ जिसमें बिहार में दुसाध एवं गंगोता की क्रिमिनल ट्रिब्स संज्ञा दी गई है। यह उन जाति विशेष समुदायों के लिए ही अपमान जनक बात नहीं है, बल्कि असंवैधानिक भी है। बिहार में सैकड़ों की संख्या में निर्दोष हरिजनों एवं कमजोर वर्ग के लोगों की हत्याएँ नक्सलाइट के नाम पर की जाती रही हैं।

बिहार में प्रशासन एवं पूंजीपतियों का हमेशा से षड्यंत्र रहा है कि यदि कोई हरिजन शरोब अपने जायज मांग को मांगे तो उसे क्रिमिनल की संज्ञा दे कर जेल में बन्द कर दिया जाये। पुलिस की गोली से उड़ा दिया जाए तथा कह दिया जाए कि मुठभेड़ में मारा गया।

कोई जाति/क्रिमिनल नहीं होती। क्रिमिनल शब्द अछूत से भी ज्यादा अपमानजनक है। इस समाचार से हरिजनों एवं कमजोर वर्गों के लोगों में काफ़ी रोष है।

कृपया इसे गंभीरता से लें तथा सरकार को निर्देश दें कि वे पता लगावें कि किन सूत्रों के द्वारा यह समाचार दिया गया।

(ii) MASSIVE MILITARY BUILD UP BY PAKISTAN ACROSS RAJASTHAN

SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO (Dhenkanal): Sir, regarding massive military build-up by Pakistan across Rajasthan, Sir, today I am trying to invite the attention of the Hon. Defence

Minister and the House, to a matter which is of great national importance.

During the last three weeks, the military movement on the Rajasthan side of Pakistan has increased considerably and a large contingent of army in division strength is being deployed. The area between Meerpur Khas and Umarkot has been cleared. Villagers have been evacuated and the areas are now being controlled by the Pakistan Army. The whole of Barmer area is directly exposed to this preparedness as also some other parts of Rajasthan.

According to a Hindi daily of Rajasthan, such military activities have been noticed near Shiv Ji Ka Mandir and Kherora. The daily further informs that some Chinese soldiers in Pak uniform have also been seen across the border. If the press report about the presence of Chinese soldiers in the Pak border area is true, it is a serious matter. Reports according to Tass are, that Chinese Government is trying for a permanent base for their sub-marines at Karachi and the Pak Government is reported to be favourably inclined. It is also a very well-known fact that Pakistan has already collected lots of arms and their shopping list for future military hardware is about one billion dollars. Massive expansion of the air force has been reported. According to a reliable source, Pakistan is likely to explode its Atom Bomb during middle of the next year.

According to the local people, during the last war also, Pakistan had in a similar way got the villages evacuated and since it has been done once again, the local population is harbouring a feeling that another attack from across the border is in the offing.

Under these circumstances, I would request the Hon. Defence Minister to give a full statement in the House and through this House assure the nation that the Government and armed forces are fully prepared to give a

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fitting reply to Pakistan, should they choose to embark upon any military adventure.

(iii) NEED TO CHECK THE OPENING OF
A LARGE NUMBER OF MEDICAL AND
ENGINEERING COLLEGES IN KARNATAKA.

SHRI T. R. SHAMANNA (Bangalore South): Sir, a serious situation has arisen by the opening of large number of Medical Colleges and Engineering Colleges in Karnataka State on commercial basis collecting huge sums of donation or capitation fees, leading to lowering of standard of medical and technical education, causing acute unemployment and waste of public funds.

In recent years, after the Karnataka State Government has given permission and recognition to many engineering and medical colleges, there are now 8 Government Engineering Colleges and about 16 or 17 Engineering Colleges run by private bodies and there are 5 Government Medical Colleges and 8 Medical Colleges run by Private bodies. Apart from these existing Colleges, there are 10 or 12 applications for starting medical colleges and equal number of Engineering Colleges. It is all the more causing concern and anxiety after the Karnataka State Chief Minister has announced the policy of the Government to give recognition to all those who wish to open Medical and Engineering Colleges. This opening of the flood-gates for starting new technical and medical colleges, has caused a shock to educationalists and men in the profession, particularly Junior Doctors and to the Students' Associations. It is regretted that now the Government is granting recognitions to college, by-passing the Chancellor, academic bodies like syndicate, academic council etc., granting recognitions to institutions which have no suitable buildings, hostels, equipments etc. More than all this, many colleges have not got practising hospitals. Most of the new medical colleges have no funds of their own, but are

depending on the exorbitant donation and capitation fees to be collected.

The donation and capitation fees collected for medical colleges is: minimum Rs. 50,000/- and maximum Rs. 2,00,000 and more. For engineering colleges, the minimum is Rs. 6,000/- and maximum upto Rs. 50,000/-. The amount of donation collected depends upon (1) influence (2) marks—lower the marks, higher the donation and (3) whether candidate is from Karnataka or from other States of the country. For foreigners the donation is Rs. 1,00,000/- minimum, and the maximum is Rs. 2,00,000/-.

It is not hard to realize that a student who has bought this seat will naturally try to make this up by undesirable means, after he starts his practice. Further if selection is made irrespective of merit, can we expect from him efficient work as an engineer or as a doctor? The Medical Council of India has time and again warned about the great danger of deterioration in standards, with inadequate buildings, equipment, want of good staff, clinical facilities etc.

In Karnataka, more than 5,000 doctors are already in the unemployed list. The colleges are producing already more than 1,200 doctors every year.

One of the arguments for starting new colleges is that doctors are not going to practise in rural areas. Doctors are ready to go to villages, provided they are given buildings for hospital with beds, equipment etc. and residential quarters. Government should give facilities to work in rural areas. Producing more ill-qualified doctors will not solve the problem.

To my question listed in the beginning this month, Government has assured prompt action to check the growth of mushroom medical colleges. The Central Government and the Medical Council should take a serious view of the matter and stop further medical and engineering colleges coming up, and also close all medical and engineering colleges which are