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STATEMENT RE: ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS OF THE SOCIETY FOR NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND SPORTS, PATIALA FOR 1980-81.

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRIES OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): I beg to lay on the Table a statement (Hindi and English versions) showing reasons for delay in laying @ the Annual Report and Accounts of the Society for the National Institutes of Physical Education and Sports, Patiala, for the year 1980-81. [Placed in Library See No. LT-3530/82].

(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: I am ready to listen to everything. Calling Attention.

Mr. Daulat Ram Saran.—Not here.

Shri Nadar—Absent.

Shri Balkrishna Wasnik—He is not here.

—It is the first time that we have a hat-trick in Calling Attention!

Shri Harish Rawat—Absent.

Now, Shri Banatwalla.—At long last, one leading light coming there!

श्रीमती प्रमिला दण्डवते (बम्बई उत्तर मध्य): हम नाम देते हैं मगर हमारा नाम इस में आता नहीं है। आप हम लोगों को मौका क्यों नहीं देते ?

MR. SPEAKER: No Madam. I cannot do it. It is not in my power. I am sorry: I cannot exercise power which does not rest with me. I am as helpless as you are!

Shri Banatwalla.

12.08 hrs.

CALLING ATTENTION TO MATTER OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

REPORTED LOOTING OF TWO POST OFFICES IN NEW DELHI

SHRI G. M. BANATWALLA (Ponnani): I call the attention of the Minister of Home Affairs to the reported looting of two post offices in Jor Bagh and Malaviya Nagar, New Delhi.

12.09 hrs.

[MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER in the Chair]

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. VENKATASUBBAIAH): Sir, on the 9th March, 1982, a dacoity was committed by 5/7 persons at the Head Post Office, Lodhi Road, at about 8.40 P.M. This Post Office receives mail and cash bags from 56 post Offices falling in its jurisdiction.

The mail and cash bags are brought sealed in mail vans and handed over at the rear entry door of the Mail Branch of the Post Office. On 9th March, 1982, the last mail van to arrive before the incident was 7.15 P.M. The last mail van is scheduled to arrive at 8.00 P.M. After the arrival of the mail van at 7.15 P.M., the door of the Mail Branch was bolted from inside. There are 297 employees in this Post Office. At the time of the dacoity 8 officials, including 5 who are to deal with the cash at the close of the day, were on duty in the Post Office. The Assistant Post Master with 3 Cashiers was counting the cash inside the Strong Room of the Treasury Branch of the Post Office. After the cash was counted and tallied, the Chowkidar was sent to inform the Post Master who was in his office room. Beside the receipt of the day, an amount of Rs. 6.27 lakhs, contained in a cloth bag, was lying in the cash chest.

@Annual Report and Accounts of the Society for the National Institutes of Physical Education and Sports, Patiala, for the year 1980-81 were laid on the Table on the 25th February, 1982.