

LOK SABHA DEBATES

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Thursday March 21, 1974/Phalgun 30,
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The Lok Sabha met at Eleven of the Clock

[MR SPEAKER in the Chair]

OBITUARY REFERENCE

MR SPEAKER Hon members as you know, yesterday we were informed that Mr K Subramanian a PTI member of our Press Gallery was suddenly taken ill by heart attack and the moment he reached the hospital he expired. He was one of our old members of the Press Gallery, a man who had earned a name in his profession and had served it with integrity, distinction and dignity. As hon Members know, we have usually been making such references in this House only in respect of members. But I have always held the Press also an essential part of Parliament without the Press, democracy cannot function properly we have to show them due respect and consideration. Also he was sitting in the Gallery when he was taken ill. Therefore, leaving aside all other considerations, I thought I must make a reference to his sad demise. We have lost in him a valuable friend a man who had been in this Gallery for long. We will be missing him very much.

With your permission I will convey our sympathies to the members of his family.

We may now stand in silence for a short while to express our sorrow.

The Members then stood in silence for a short while

MR SPEAKER As you remember, when it was brought to my notice that the

medical aid did not reach him in time, I had informed you that I would enquire into this.

I asked the Secretary-General to make enquiries and I personally was in touch with what had happened. In the afternoon the Minister informed me that he wanted to suspend the Doctor which he did. But the inquiry I did go through, I think I should not hesitate to share this with you.

A telephonic message was received by the Lady Doctor who directed the person to the Compounder, and when it came to the Doctor, he was attending on four or five Members of Parliament. These are the facts. This is on the basis of the statement of our Watch & Ward Officer and also the Doctor.

So when the Doctor got suspended, I thought that when the Minister had done it he might have made enquiries on the spot himself. I do not know whether he did so or not, but what came to my knowledge are these facts. So I am conveying it to the Minister at Lunch time as to how it happened.

We do not want certain things which sometimes might happen in the heat of the moment but which perhaps might have been got verified as they ought to have been done. That is why as I said I would convey the result of the inquiry to the Minister as to how it happened yesterday.

ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

'टिस्को' द्वारा बिस्तार के लिए उपकरणों का प्रायास

* 384 श्री रत्नाबतार शास्त्री क्या इस्यात और खान मंत्री यह बताने की हुवा करेय कि (क) क्या टिस्को के प्रबंधको ने बारखाने के बिस्तार की काई योजना तैयार की है