

State. You should meet only your equals and not anybody lower than you.

Shri D. C. Sharma: I entirely agree with Shri Nath Pai. When you go out, Shri L. K. Jha goes out, Shri C. S. Jha goes out. You should only go to meet your counterparts and not these men.

Shri M. C. Chagla: Mr. Foster is the representative of the United States on this Committee.

Mr. Speaker: What they mean is that the Foreign Minister of no other country was present there. Every country has got its representative. They say that there was no Foreign Minister equal in status to you. But that is a different question. You need not answer that now.

Shri M. L. Sondhi (New Delhi): Shri Jha goes and meets President De Gaulle, but the Minister of External Affairs has only met Mr. Foster.

Mr. Speaker: The Discussion is over. Let us go to the next item.

18.15 hrs.

BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE SECOND REPORT

The Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Communications (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh): Sir, I beg to present the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee.

Shri Nath Pai (Rajapur): Sir, let not the Minister of Parliamentary Affairs so rudely interrupt the proceedings. Shri Chagla is in possession of the House.

Mr. Speaker: He has concluded. Now, I would like to give some information:

Shri Nath Pai: What about Shri Chagla's reply?

Mr. Speaker: The Half-an-hour Discussion is over and the second Report
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of the Business Advisory Committee has also been placed before the House.

18.15 hrs.

RE: FOOD SITUATION IN KERALA

Mr. Speaker: Now, before we adjourn, there is one other point which I would like to tell the House. I would like to make an appeal to Shri Gopalan and other friends. I have written to them just now. They knew pretty well that the Speaker cannot give them food, he can only make appeals to them.

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri Jagjwan Ram): Sir, with your permission, I would like to say something. I wanted to intervene at that time when Shri Ranga spoke. During this period I have tried to ascertain the correct position from Andhra so that I may make some firm commitment. I had been trying to get in touch with the Chief Minister of Madras, Shri Annadurai, but I have not been able to contact him because he is outside attending some functions. In the night I shall try to get in touch with him.

Shri S. M. Banerjee (Kanpur): And you should inform them here.

Shri Jagjwan Ram: Apart from that, I would like to give one or two pieces of information. The stock of rice in Kerala is 1187 tons. 3800 tons are on the move and may arrive in Kerala in the next two or three days. We have submitted indents for 600 wagons. That means 12,000 tons of rice from Andhra are to be moved to Kerala. We are making arrangements to run two specials every day carrying 2000 tons from Andhra to Kerala. These are 12,000 tons in our hands, rice that is procured in Andhra, for movement to Kerala. But procurement is proceeding. This is the firm thing that I have. More than that I am not in a position to say. I wish to make an appeal to the hon. Members. Today you can say that we may not be able to fulfil our assurances and