

should be no objection. It is good that the public sector undertakings have been excluded from the purview and mischief of this Bill because the two, private monopolies and State monopoly, cannot be equated.

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Question.

SHRI AMRIT NAHATA: The equation of the two exhibits a total ignorance of the purpose for which the public sector undertakings function and a total ignorance of the basic elementary economic laws.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : This will continue on the next occasion.

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17-59 hrs.

BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

FORTY-THIRD REPORT

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS, AND SHIPPING TRANSPORT (SHRI RAGHURAMAIAH): Sir, I beg to present the Forty-third Report of the Business Advisory Committee.

For the information of the House I may say that this report contains two important recommendations. One is that there will be a sitting on Saturday, the 20th December. The other is that Lunch Hour will be dispensed with from tomorrow. Members need not dispense with their lunch.

SHRI RAMAVATAR SHASTRI (Patna): Is it a unanimous recommendation?

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18 Hrs.

HALF-AN-HOUR DISCUSSION

DEVELOPMENT OF CALCUTTA

SHRI SAMAR GUHA (Contai): I am raising in this House to-day the most tragic story of the biggest city of India, the historic city of our country. Recently a foreign journalist visited Calcutta. He was so much horrified by the dismal spectre of the dehumanising chaos prevailing in Calcutta to-day that he alarmingly observed; "Calcutta is a dying city." Although Calcutta has become a concern for international anxiety, our leaders in Delhi are showing a callous apathy, abject indifference and neglect towards the problems of Calcutta. Recently, the World Health Organization called "Calcutta as an international health hazard." The World Bank observed that "the problems of Calcutta are a national economic problem of the whole of India." Recently, a team of British and American experts on urban development visited Calcutta and commented:

"We have not seen human degradation on a comparable scale in any other city of the world".

Let us not forget that this City of Calcutta till 1912 was the capital of India. Let us also recollect that this historic city radiated the message of national renaissance of India, created a saga of self immolation for the cause of national freedom.

Let us remember what this great city of Calcutta has contributed to India and to the world. This historic city gave to our country and to the mankind great sons of India like Raja