

its sitting held on the 23rd September, 1954."

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OPINIONS ON INDIAN ARMS  
(AMENDMENT) BILL

**Shri U. C. Patnaik** (Ghumsur): I beg to lay on the Table a copy of Paper No. IV containing opinions on the Indian Arms (Amendment) Bill, 1954, which was circulated for the purpose of eliciting opinion thereon by the 31st August, 1954.

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COMMITTEE ON SUBORDINATE  
LEGISLATION

PRESENTATION OF SECOND REPORT

**Shri Pataskar** (Jalgaon): I beg to present the Second Report of the Committee on Subordinate Legislation.

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ESTIMATES COMMITTEE

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

**Shri Pataskar** (Jalgaon): I beg to present the following Reports of the Estimates Committee:

- (i) Tenth Report on the Ministry of Food and Agriculture.
- (ii) Eleventh Report on the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.

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ELECTION TO COMMITTEES

- (i) PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE
- (ii) EMPLOYEES STATE INSURANCE CORPORATION

**Mr. Speaker:** I have to inform the House that up to the time fixed for receiving nominations for the election of one Member to each of the Committees, namely the Committee on Public Accounts and the Employees State Insurance Corporation, only one nomination was received in respect of each of these Bodies. As there is only one candidate for the vacancy

in each of these Bodies, I declare **Shri R. Venkataraman** to be duly elected to the Committee on Public Accounts and **Shri Kamakhya Prasad Tripathi** to the Employees State Insurance Corporation.

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LEAVE OF ABSENCE

**Mr. Speaker:** The Committee on Absence of Members in its Fifth Report has recommended that leave of absence be granted to **Shri B. Shiva Rao**, **Shri S. C. Balakrishnan**, **Dr. N. M. Jaisoorya**, **Dr. Susilranjan Chatterjee**, **Shri V. Boovaraghasamy**, and **Shri Biren Dutt**, for the periods indicated in the Report.

Do I take it that the House is pleased to grant them leave?

**Several Hon. Members:** Yes.

*Leave was granted.*

**Mr. Speaker:** The Members concerned will be informed accordingly.

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MOTION RE: INTERNATIONAL  
SITUATION

**The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs and Defence (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru):** I beg to move:

"That the present international situation and the policy of the Government of India in relation thereto be taken into consideration."

I confess that while I am supposed to deal with this vast international scene, my mind at the present moment is gravely perturbed by the grievous news, to which you were pleased to make a reference sometime ago, about the railway disaster in Hyderabad.

[**MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER** in the Chair.]

That disaster, a domestic tragedy which we have to face, led me to think of the much vaster disaster that might engulf this world if by some misfortune we were led into the ways of war. Of course, there was no comparison between this disaster,