

[Shri T. T. Krishnamachari]

section (2) of section 16 of the Tariff Commission Act, 1951, namely:—

- (i) Report of the Tariff Commission on the continuance of protection to the Sago (Tapioca Globules) Industry; [Placed in Library. See No. S-150/54.]
- (ii) Ministry of Commerce and Industry Resolution No. 12(7)-T.B./53, dated the 1st May, 1954; [Placed in Library, See No. S-150/54.]
- (iii) Ministry of Commerce and Industry Notification No. 12(7)-T.B./53, dated the 1st May, 1954; [Placed in Library. See No. S-150/54.]
- (iv) Report of the Tariff Commission on the continuance of protection to the Coated Abrasives Industry; [Placed in Library. See No. S-151/54.]
- (v) Ministry of Commerce and Industry Resolution No. 1(1)-T.B./53, dated the 1st May, 1954; [Placed in Library. See No. S-151/54.]
- (vi) Ministry of Commerce and Industry Notification No. 1(1)-T.B./53, dated the 1st May, 1954; [Placed in Library. See No. S-151/54.] and
- (vii) Statement under proviso to section 16(2) of the Tariff Commission Act, 1951, explaining the reasons why a copy each of the documents referred to in (iv) to (vi) above could not be laid within the prescribed period. [Placed in Library. See No. S-151/54.]

COMMITTEE ON PRIVATE MEMBERS' BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

PRESENTATION OF EIGHTH REPORT

Shri M. A. Ayyangar (Tirupati): I beg to present the Eighth Report of the Committee on Private Members' Bills and Resolutions.

CALLING ATTENTION TO MATTER OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

DERAILMENT OF TRAIN BETWEEN CHANPATIA AND BETTIAH.

Mr. Speaker: I have to inform hon. Members that under Rule 215, I have received notices from Shri Bibhuti Mishra and Shri S. N. Das calling attention of the Minister of Railways to the following matter of urgent public importance and requesting that he may make a statement thereon:—

(1) "The derailment of 344 Down Passenger train between Chanpatia and Bettiah on the North Eastern Railway at 8 P.M. on 2nd May, 1954, resulting in the death of two persons and injury to sixty"
—[Shri Bibhuti Mishra]

(2) "A serious railway accident said to have occurred on the night of 2nd May, 1954, between Bettiah and Chanpatia Railway Stations on the North Eastern Railway resulting in deaths of several persons and causing serious injuries to many passengers".

—[Shri S. N. Das].

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): It is with regret that I have to inform the House that on 2nd May, 1954, at about 20 hours, while No. 344 Down Patna Passenger was on the run from Chanpatia to Bettiah station on the Muzaffarpur-Narkatiaganj Single Line Section of the North Eastern Railway, a cyclone of severe intensity hit the train when it was passing over a small 20 feet span bridge. As a result, six leading coaches on the train including a brake-van next to the engine derailed and capsized. Of these, one second class and one inter-cum-third class coaches were badly damaged. The engine, the rear brake-van and one third class bogie inside the rear brake-van remained on the track. According to the latest information 2 persons died, one on the spot and another out of the injured in the hospital. 64 persons were injured including the one who died in the hospital.