

## Regarding S.Q. No. 1023

डा० राम मनोहर लोहिया सवाल नम्बर 1023 जो कि भारतीय तथा दक्षिण अफ्रीका के अरबेत लोगो के बारे में आज के लिए है मैंने समझा था कि जब तक वह आयेगा उस से पहले मैं हाउस में पहुँच जाऊंगा लेकिन अभाग्यवश ऐसा न हो सका

Shri Nath Pai: May I invite your attention

Mr Speaker: There are still a large number of questions not disposed of. The question hour is over. What can be done now?

Shri Nath Pai: With all the authority and solemnity of your office you told me that you might take up, on my request

Mr. Speaker: The other questions are still there. How can I give up all of them and take up a particular question which the hon. Member wants?

डा० राम मनोहर लोहिया यह दक्षिण अफ्रीका का सवाल है अध्यक्ष महोदय

Mr. Speaker: If you create a precedent today, then everyday hon. Members will say that this question or that question may be taken up and that will create a terrible confusion. We should not add to the confusion.

डा० राम मनोहर लोहिया गलती नहीं थी लेकिन अन्दाज जग बोझा ना घसत हो गया।

Mr. Speaker: Short notice question  
Shri Tiwary

## SHORT NOTICE QUESTION

## Postal Services in Naxalbari Area

SNQ. 26. Shri D. N. Tiwary: Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state

(a) whether it is a fact that the delivery of letters, telegrams and money orders are being delayed in the Naxalbari area of West Bengal;

(b) if so, the difficulties that the employees of the Posts and Telegraphs Department have to face in that area; and

(c) the steps taken to facilitate early delivery of postal articles in the area?

The Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Communications (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh): (a) There has been some dislocation in the arrangements but on a very limited scale

(b) One postman of Naxalbari Post Office was not able to visit 5 villages from 14th June, 1967 to 29th June, 1967 due to disturbed conditions

(c) The articles of the above mentioned 5 villages were delivered by the postman in the market area at Naxalbari itself to the villagers who came there to collect the articles. No telegrams or money orders for these villages were received. The postman has since started visiting the villages

श्री डा० ना० तिवारी यह नक्सलवाड़ी का समस्त एरिया बड़ा अशांत है और उसका क्षेत्र बहुत बड़ा है। मिनिस्टर माहब ने कहा कि केवल 5 गावों में गडबडी हुई है तो क्या मैं जान सकता हूँ कि और गावों में सुचारु रूप से पोस्टऑफिसों का काम डेलीवरी वगैरह का चल रहा था और क्या वहाँ के लोग पोस्टऑफिसों में अपनी बिडिया वगैरह छोड़ने आया करते थे?

डा० राम सुभग सिंह: वहाँ पोस्टऑफिसों में जो और काम होते हैं कौश के, मनीऑर्डर आदि के उन सब में नक्सलवाड़ी में अशांति के चलते थोड़ी दिक्कत हो गयी थी, कौश आदि के कामों में बाधा होगई थी। 14 जून से लेकर 29 जून तक नक्सलवाड़ी डाकघर के क्षेत्र में कठिनाई हुई।

श्री डा० मा० तिवारी क्या यह सही है कि कुछ पोस्टग्रॉफिसों के कर्मचारियों पर हमला हुआ था और इस कारण उनके कुछ काम में गड़बड़ी हुई थी ?

डा० राम सुभग सिंह हमला वास्तव में नहीं हुआ था मगर कर्मचारियों को वहाँ पोस्ट ऑफिस में हाँ रहना पड़ा था।

**Shri Hem Barua:** There has been dislocation of the postal system in Naxalbari. There are also reports that Nepal is going to protest to us because of the forced eviction of Nepalese from Naxalbari. All these things show that there is dislocation in that particular area. I want to know from the Prime Minister what steps she is going to take to see that there is no dislocation either in the postal system or other normal channels of communication in that particular strategic area. She has always been silent about it.

**Mr. Speaker:** I do not know if an answer could be given.

**Shri S. S. Kothari:** Would the Government consider providing armed escorts to postmen in Naxalbari area?

**Dr. Ram Subhag Singh:** If there is danger to their lives, then naturally we will request the State Government to provide armed escorts.

**Shri P. Venkatasubbalah:** May I know whether the Government has taken up this matter with the Chief Minister of West Bengal when he was here, and when he has also openly admitted that there is lawlessness prevailing in Naxalbari which is now a trouble-spot?

**Dr. Ram Subhag Singh:** Not exactly this matter, but we had a talk with the Chief Minister of West Bengal and he said that he would be seeing that no insecurity is allowed to prevail there.

श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय यह जो डाकियों और गाँवों में डाक बाटने जाते थे क्या

उन पर चीन समर्थक लोगों ने काफ़ी धौंस, दबाव डालकर और अत्याचार करके डाक बाटने से मना किया था ?

डा० राम सुभग सिंह किसी भी डाक बाटने वाले पर यदि चीनी धाकड़ण होगा तो उसका मुकाबला होगा।

श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय चीन समर्थक लोगों ने लिये हैं ने पूछा था ?

डा० राम सुभग सिंह पोस्टग्रॉफिसों के कर्मचारियों के साथ ऐसा कोई नहीं कर सका।

**Shri Chintamani Panigrahi:** May I know whether normalcy has now returned to that area?

**Dr. Ram Subhag Singh:** I said in the main reply that now the postman has started visiting those villages.

**Mr. Speaker:** Shri Tridib Kumar Chaudhuri.

**Shri Hem Barua:** Sir, on a point of order. The hon. Minister has admitted that there is dislocation in the postal services, there must be some reasons for this dislocation, what are the Government doing about it?

**Mr. Speaker:** I have called Shri Tridib Kumar Chaudhuri.

**Shri Tridib Kumar Chaudhuri:** Whatever dislocations took place in the Naxalbari area with regard to the delivery of postal articles to the public, was it ever of such an order or such a nature that the Communications Ministry felt impelled to draw the attention of the West Bengal Government to this matter? Was the safety of the postman or the safety of any post-offices affected, and were any post-offices attacked or burnt? Did some such thing happen during the past movement there? Did any such thing take place?

Dr. Ram Subhag Singh. This is a long question. But it is not exactly regarding this Naxalbari, because we always get reports from our PMG, West Bengal Circle. But in regard to other matters, the attention of the Government was drawn, a big post-office was looted some two months back, there was disturbance there, and about Rs 41,000 was taken away from the cash box.

Shri S. M Banerjee. From the statement of the hon Minister, it appears that there was some disturbance in the particular area for four to five days possibly, or whatever period I do not know. But I would like to know whether at present there is no dislocation and there is no disturbance in that area and whether all the peons, postal and other peons in that area are allowed to go freely.

Dr Ram Subhag Singh. Actually what I said was precisely regarding the operation of the post office in that particular area, you might have also noticed that money orders, etc are not being received at the moment and one can infer from it why they are not being received. I also said that from the 14th to the 29th June, the postman was not in a position to go out. All these are indications of somewhat insecure conditions there.

डा० राम मनोहर लोहिया एव दफे मंत्री जी खुद जाकर क्यों नहीं वास्तविक हालत देख आते ?

डा० राम सुभग सिंह मैं जाऊंगा ।

डा० राम मनोहर लोहिया बिना पुलिस के जाइयेगा ।

डा० राम सुभग सिंह प्रकले जाऊंगा नाकी डा० साहब आप भी साथ में चले तो आप को लेता चल्गा ।

श्री विभूति मिश्र मंत्री जी ने जवाब दिया कि कुछ गांवों में डाकघरों का सामान

नहीं पहुँचाया जा सका तो मेरा कहना है कि हमारे मंत्री जी बड़े तगड़े भादवी हैं, लूटपाट में भूम कर आये हैं तो मैं चाहूँगा कि इसकी जाच के लिये कि उनके पोस्टऑफिसों वहाँ पर ठीक से काम कर रहे हैं अथवा नहीं क्या मंत्री जी तुरन्त वहाँ जाकर वास्तविक हालत को देख कर हम लोगों को रिपोर्ट देने के बारे में सोच रहे हैं ?

डा० राम सुभग सिंह अध्यक्ष महोदय, जब भी मैं इसकी जरूरत समझूँगा, आप की इजाजत से वहाँ पर जाऊँगा बाकी अभी तक नहीं गया हूँ क्योंकि वहाँ पर सारे डाकिये काम अपना कर रहे हैं ।

Shri S. Kundu: The hon Minister said about dislocation I would like to know what was the nature of the dislocation which prevented the postal peons from entering those villages and which prevented him from delivering the daks. May I know whether immediately between 14th and 29th June the Minister sought the assistance of the West Bengal Government to give police protection to the postmen, so that they may be able to deliver the mail and if so, what was the response of the West Bengal Government?

Dr. Ram Subhag Singh: Government are fully conversant with the situation that obtains in that particular area. I also said that from two other post offices, the entire cash was removed to Naxalbari, because it was a bigger place as compared to those places. So, the insecure condition is quite obvious.

Shri S. Kundu: The second part of my question has not been answered.

Mr. Speaker: Shri Prakash Vik Shastri

श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री अभी पीछे जैसा समाचार आया था कि घसम जाने

वाली मुख्य सड़क से सम्बन्धित जो छोटी सड़कें हैं उनके पुलों को इस लिए उठा दिया गया था ताकि पुलिस उनसे होकर उन गावों को न जा सके। जब पुलिस वहां नहीं जा सकती तो स्वाभाविक है कि वहां डाक का भ्राना जाना रुक गया होगा। ऐसी परिस्थिति में उन गावों में या उन से सम्बन्धित दूसरे गावों में डाक भेजने की क्या व्यवस्था इन दिनों की गई है ?

डा० राम सुभग सिंह सारी व्यवस्था टूट गई है लेकिन चौकीदार वगैरह जो होते हैं उनकी मार्फत प्रचार कराया जाता है कि फलाने की चिट्ठी है, फलाने का मनीआर्डर है या तार है और वह आकष में जाये।

श्री शिव नारायण उरलाश गेटल सजेक्ट है और मिनिटरी भी मेटल सजेक्ट है। जब बगाल की सरकार ने पुलिस की मदद देना रिफ्यूज कर दिया और पुलिस को निकम्मा बना दिया अब केन्द्रीय सरकार क्या सटप ले रही है ताकि वहां डाक आदि पहुंच सके ?

डा० राम सुभग सिंह माननीय मध्य के सुझाव पर ध्यान दिया जायेगा।

Shri Nath Pal: I am a little curious to know if any date has been fixed for the historic Dr Lohia—Dr. Ram Subhag Singh joint mission to Naxalbari. Secondly, has he received any complaints that some of the stamps in the mail delivered in Naxalbari are cancelled not with the seal of the postal department, but with a new seal which bears the slogan "Jai Mao" and "Jai Mao Tse-tung" in some cases?

Dr. Ram Subhag Singh: About the first part, whenever I can find two days, I will go into this area Dr. Lohia would be most welcome About the cancellation of postal stamps, we can never allow that sort of thing to happen in our post offices.

Mr. Speaker: Has it happened? That is what he wants to know.

Dr. Ram Subhag Singh: No, Sir; not can it be allowed to happen.

श्री कंवर लाल गुप्त क्या मंत्री महोदय बतलायेंगे कि जब वहां पर डाक-घरों में भ्राग लगाई गई और कौन लूटा गया और आपने वहां के चीफ मिनिस्टर से इसके बारे में कहा और अगर वहां के चीफ मिनिस्टर या वेस्ट बगाल की गवर्नमेंट इसका प्रबन्ध नहीं करना चाहती तो उसकी सुरक्षा के लिये भी क्या करने वाले हैं ? क्या इस सम्बन्ध में आपकी वेस्ट बगाल यूनिट ने कुछ सजेसन्स दिये हैं ? अगर दिये हैं तो क्या ?

डा० राम सुभग सिंह इसके बारे में मैंने कहा कि केवल नक्सलवादी के बारे में मेरी कुछ बात नहीं हुई, लेकिन जनरल बाते हुई थी और वह भी जो रोजाना की कठिनाइया थी उन के सम्बन्ध में, और वह भी इस लूट के दो महीने पहले की जब कि वहां पुलिस के ऊपर और रेलवे प्रोटेक्शन फोर्स के सर्जिनल के ऊपर भी आक्रमण हुआ था। इन सारी चीजों के बारे में बाते हुई थी।

श्री कंवर लाल गुप्त मैंने पूछा था कि अगर वह आपकी मदद नहीं करते तो आप क्या करेंगे ?

डा० राम सुभग सिंह मदद न करने का सवाल ही नहीं उठता। क्योंकि दोनों को मिल जुल कर सारी स्थिति को सभालना है।

डा० राम मनोहर लोहिया : मैं यह समझ कर चलता हू कि डा० राम सुभग सिंह बिना पुलिस के जायेंगे। हालांकि एक अज्ञान्त इधारे में एक माननीय मंत्री के साथ जाना बड़ा ही खतरनाक है, लेकिन हमसुख डा० राम सुभग सिंह मेरे लिये एक अच्छी डाक बन सकते हैं। अगर वह अभी एक हफ्ते के

बन्दर कोई तारीख तय कर दे तो मैं पहले से उनकी तारीख मान लेता हूँ। मगर पुलिस नहीं रहेगी।

### WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

#### Agreement between India and Burma

\*1021. Shri K. Narayana Rao: Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state

(a) whether any agreement have been concluded between India and Burma relating to trade, customs, cultural relations, communications, extradition of criminals, immigration or repatriation and on double nationality in pursuance of Article V of the India-Burma Treaty of Friendship, 1951, and

(b) if so, a detailed account thereof?

The Minister of External Affairs (Shri M. C. Chagla). (a) and (b) The Government of India and Burma signed an Agreement of Trade and Commerce on 24th December, 1962, valid for a period of three years. The Government of Burma has agreed to continue to apply in practice its terms and provisions till a fresh Agreement is concluded between the two countries. As regards communications, both Burma and India are members of the Universal Postal Union, and exchange of correspondence, insured letter, etc is regulated by the provisions of the Universal Postal Convention. While there are no formal agreements with Burma in respect of customs, cultural relations, extradition of criminals, immigration or repatriation and of double nationality, the few problems that arise in these fields are handled in a spirit of friendly co-operation.

#### Indians and Coloured People of South Africa

\*1022. Shri Madhu Limaye:  
Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia:  
Shri S. M. Banerjee:

Shri George Fernandes:  
Shri S. M. Joshi:

Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state

(a) whether Government|UNO have made any progress in obtaining justice for the Indian and the coloured people of South Africa, and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

The Minister of External Affairs (Shri M. C. Chagla): (a) and (b) The UN General Assembly has been adopting resolutions condemning the policies of apartheid of the Government of the Republic of South Africa almost every year since 1946. In 1962 it adopted a resolution in which it declared that apartheid endangered international peace and security and requested the Member-States of the United Nations to take the following measures to break off diplomatic relations with the Government of South Africa to close their ports to all vessels flying the South African flag, to boycott all trade with South Africa, and to refuse landing and passage facilities to all aircraft belonging to South Africa. It also requested the Security Council to take appropriate measures, including sanctions, to secure South Africa's compliance with the resolutions of the Assembly. In 1965, the General Assembly adopted another resolution which inter alia established a United Nations Trust Fund in aid of the victims of apartheid and their families. A similar resolution was adopted again in 1966. South Africa has so far failed to alter its policies of racial discrimination.

#### Issue of Passports

\*1027. Shri Onkar Lal Bawa:  
Shri Onkar Singh:

Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal for streamlining the system for the issue of passports; and