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TRANSCRIPTION NO. 397 Union Budget 1992-93

Sir, I whole heartedly welcome the Union Budget for 1992-93 introduced by our Finance Minister. / This Budget is not just a riddle of figures. This Budget is framed keeping in view the economic crisis which is threatening the country. It has covered a wide range and all the problems were kept in mind while framing it. / We should all realise and remember one thing that when this Government came to power, the economic condition of the country/ was very bad. Taking into consideration the resources at our disposal, planning the allocation of funds is not (100) an easy job. It will not be an exaggeration if I say that it was a Herculean task for our Finance Minister. / If we think unbiasedly each one of us will support this Budget.

Sir, we all know that 80 percent/ of our population lives in villages. Social and economic conditions of these villages should be improved. The farmer whom/ we consider the backbone of our country should be helped to come up economically and socially. This country should become self-sufficient/ as far as production of foodgrains is concerned. I am sorry to say that the allocation of funds to (200) promote better agricultural production is not sufficient.

As compared to the 1991-92 Budget,/ the funds allocated for rural development are less. Rural population depends on agriculture, cottage and small scale industries. So, it is necessary that/ we encourage cottage and small scale industries and also help the poor farmers.

Sir, the NRI funds/ are utilised only for industrial sector. If they can be invested in some irrigation projects also, it will prove/ to be a boon to the farmer and it will help him produce more foodgrains, making the country self-sufficient in this area. (300) It will also promote employment opportunities for many. Sir, in Andhra Pradesh for the last 15 years,/ not a single irrigation project has seen the light of the day. In this context, I would like to specially/ mention the proposed Polavaram Project which was conceived as a multi-purpose Project to provide irrigation, drinking water, navigation and power. / The estimated cost of this Project in 1982 was Rs. 675 crores/ which has now gone up to Rs. 3,000 crores. This Project should be taken up as a national project. (400)

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Sir, the farmer needs more assistance and help from the Government. More subsidies should be provided for fertilizers, seeds, etc./ so that the farmer can become self-sufficient and produce more. Backward and remote villages should be identified and funds/ should be allocated for their upliftment. There was a proposal for an aluminium project in Vishakapatnam. Sir, if started, it could create employment for at least 10,000 people. Through you, Sir, I request the Government to consider favourably/ the setting up of this project.

Sir, I am happy that the price of gold has come down in the market. (500) But then the prices of essential commodities are increasing day by day affecting the common man. We should try to/ control this price like. The Government has introduced public distribution system in 1700 Blocks of our country and has been/ laying great emphasis on its proper implementation. This is an appreciable step.

Sir, whether it is MGR or NTR whoever may be in power should see that basic requirements of every individual are met fully./ Rice and sugar are not the only needs of the common man; food, clothing and shelter should be provided to the common man. (600) If more funds are required to fulfil this, the Government should make a provision for it./ We should improve the condition of those who are living below the poverty line. Our aim is the betterment of the poor./ So, more funds should be allocated for this purpose. Rural industries should be developed. The employment schemes should not remain/ on paper alone. Think of the khadi industry. The handloom weavers are committing suicide for lack of any source of livelihood. It is really a tragedy. Something should be done about this. Once, there was a great demand for handloom cloth. (700) But now people are crazy after the imported materials. The Centre and the State Governments should do their best to/ encourage Khadi industry and, if need be, should not hesitate even to give financial assistance. Subsidies should be given to them/ and marketing should be done through Janata distribution system. Both khadi industry and agriculture are important for the rural population./ So, if these are encouraged and proper irrigation facilities are provided, the unemployment problem will be solved to a great extent./

Sir, Government has taken steps to convert 6,000 kms. of railway lines from metre gauge to broad gauge. (800) This will solve the problem permanently and alongside create more employment opportunities. Such steps are encouraging. More rural development schemes/ should be introduced and funds should be allocated therefor. Otherwise, poverty will increase and the rich will be the beneficiaries.

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A very informative speech

(Dr. Yelamanchili Sivaji in Rajya Sabha on 24-3-1992)

TRANSCRIPTION NO. 398

The Budget presented by Dr. Manmohan Singh, no doubt, has laudable objectives. But, unfortunately, the laudable objectives enunciated in the Budget speech are not reflected in the Finance Bill. So, there is a wide gap between the assertions of the Finance Minister and their execution as per the Finance Bill. The country is baffled, the entire nation is baffled, as to how Dr. Manmohan Singh managed to mesmerise the country with laudable objectives but without the concerned provisions in the Finance Bill./ Dr. Manmohan Singh went on criticising the previous two Governments of 1-½ years. But the fact remains that the (100) economic instability in the country actually took place during the Congress rule. When the first Budget was presented in/ August 1947 by late Shri Shanmugam Chettiar the revenue receipts at that time were to the tune of Rs. 170 crores, whereas the expenditure was Rs. 197 crores and the deficit/ was Rs. 27 crores, Mr. Vice-Chairman, Sir, as you know, the first Budget was for only six months/ but by the end of the year the deficit was completely wiped out and the Government came out successful and (200) with a plus. In the present Budget, the total expenditure of the Government is Rs. 119,000 and odd crores./ Dr. Manmohan Singh and others from the Government day in and day out say that they are curtailing Government expenditure. But the figures go contrary to their assertions.

When the colonial rule ended in 1947./ the entire Government of India was working only in the North Block and in the South Block. Now, the Government/ has expanded so much that its offices could not be accommodated in entire New Delhi. Their offices are at (300) Krishi Bhawan, Yojana Bhawan, Shastri Bhawan, Nirman Bhawan and several other Bhawans. Not satisfied with these, the Government of India's offices/ are at Lodhi Road also. Not only this, the Government acquired even the private houses and private buildings in/ Delhi to accommodate their offices. So, the total expenditure of the Government is going up. When we look at the/ figures in the expenditure Budget, what is the total expenditure of the Government on establishment and salaries? Sir, it is/ a fact that there are more than 43 lakhs of people working in the Government of India alone. (400)

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Their salary bill, establishment charges, emolu-ments and other allowances amount to nearly 13,000 crores of rupees. If the pension bill/ is also added, it amounts to nearly 16,000 crores of rupees. It is the Government of India's alone, / and when we take the State Governments' establishments, local bodies, aided institutions and the public sector undertakings, there are more/ than 2 crores on their pay rolls and the total expenditure involved in it is something around 45,000 crores/ of rupees. Little precious has been done to reduce the expenditure of the Government. (500)

As for the figures of the non-Plan expenditure, when compared to the last year's Budget, the non-Plan expenditure went up by 4,400/ crores of rupees, If we calculate, the Government of India spends something about Rs. 165/ crores per day and Rs. 16,500 per second to run the show. This is on the expenditure/ side alone. And to meet this expenditure, the Government resorted to higher taxation and thereby, the taxation has gone up/ and, subsequently, the revenue receipts went up. The revenue receipts account for 76,000 crores of rupees roughly. (600) Not satisfied with this, the Government goes in for borrowings—borrowing money both internally and externally. The total debt burden/ of the Government of India is roughly about 4,00,000 crores of rupees. The debt servicing, that is/ the interest payment, alone amounts to 32,000 crores of rupees per annum. So, the per capita debt in India/ is Rs. 4,200. And if we add this figure to the debt of the State Governments, / the per capita debt goes up to Rs. 6,000 or Rs. 7,000 varying from one State to another. (700) Even then the Government is not able to meet their expenses as they are living beyond their means. So, / on one side, they are enhancing taxation and on the other side, they are going for borrowings.

As the money is/ still not sufficient, the Govern-ment has resorted to deficit financing. Day in and day out, Dr. Manmohan Singh says that/ they are curtailing deficit financing. But the figures/ supplied by the Finance Minister show that the deficit financing is/ to the tune of 5,000 crores of rupees. But the fiscal deficit is more than Rs. 34,000 crores. (800)

So, deficit financing means printing additional notes from the Nasik Press. Whenever any individual issues a cheque without having the/ requisite balance in his account, the cheque is dishonoured. But the Government goes on printing notes without any legal sanction. (840 Words)

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Speech of hon. Law Minister, Government of India,
in Rajya Sabha on 11-3-1992, on electoral reforms

TRANSCRIPTION NO. 399

About eleven hon. Members have taken part in the debate and have given valuable suggestions on the electoral reforms. The Bill that is before the House is only on one point, that is, countermanding of elections should not be/ there if an independent candidate dies. But taking this opportunity, almost all the Members have expressed their views on the need for electoral reforms at an early date.

As far as this Bill is concerned, I don't think there will be/ any objection from any Member. Even the hon. Member, who moved this statutory Resolution, said that if the Government assures (100) that it is going to bring in a comprehensive electoral reforms Bill as early as possible, he has no objection/ to this. This Ordinance had to be issued because of the experience in Parliament and Assembly elections in various States, particularly in the State of Punjab. During the last Punjab elections a number of candidates, particularly independent candidates, were killed/ and that has made the Government think seriously what it should do. Elections in 13 Parliamentary constituencies, including the ones/ in Punjab, were countermanded. Elections in 22 Assembly constituencies in the whole country, including nine in Punjab, had to be countermanded. (200) So, this high incidence of deaths has made the Government think and come forward with an ordinance which will enable the elections to go on in spite of deaths of independent candidates. The effect of it, you have seen in Punjab. This time the incidence of deaths was not so high. We were able to conduct the election/ and the Government elected by the people of Punjab was restored after a long time. I hope the House will/ agree unanimously as far as this part of it is concerned.

About the electoral reforms, the Government is also more serious. (300) We have been making a lot of efforts. I will come forward with some of the suggestions later, but as the hon. Member, Dr. Jain, has said, a lot of effort has gone into this thinking about the electoral reforms./

The Prime Minister called a meeting of the leaders long back and later on, late Shri Dinesh Goswami, who was the Minister of Law, had constituted a Committee under his Chairmanship and made a deep study and had come forward/ with two or three Bills. Three Bills are also pending in the Parliament. We could not proceed with them. (400)

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Regarding delimitation of the constituencies, we have introduced a Bill recently. The Bill that was introduced earlier was based on/ the 1981 census. Now the 1991 census is over. We thought/ we should take advantage of that and go in for delimitation of the constituencies. One of the suggestions that have been/ made by the Members, was that the Scheduled Caste constituencies should be rotated. This is also under the consideration of/ the Government.

About the appointment of Election Commission and other things, the Government is of the opinion that we should (500) take up these things along with other suggestions. Only after that and after consulting the Opposition leaders, the Government will/ take a decision and we will come forward with a consolidated Bill. This process we have already started. We were/ waiting for the recommendations on the electoral reforms from the Election Commission. We have received them only recently. We are/ trying to produce a paper and consult various political parties. We expect to complete this consultation process before the Parliament/ session ends in May, 1992. If possible, we will try to bring forward the Bill during this session itself. (600) Otherwise, in the next session of Parliament we will bring a consolidated electoral reforms Bill before this House.

Shri Dinesh Goswami's suggestions have been taken into consideration. The Committee headed by him has done a good job./ That is why, he had introduced four Bills. The most important of them is the multipurpose photo identity cards. Non-serious candidates have to be avoided. How to avoid booth-capturing? All these points are engaging the attention of the Government.

In the recent elections, we have seen that there was a need not only for the security of the (700) independent candidates but also for the security of political party candidates. A number of candidates have filed their nominations./ I have seen in one constituency that there were about 20 independent candidates. Accompanying 20 independent candidates were security personnel totalling 80, at the rate of one Sub-Inspector, one head constable and two constables. Twenty candidates and eighty police personnel/ accompanying them looked like an army marching. What kind of an impression it will create on the voter? We should seriously think of avoiding these independent candidates. That is a very important point. We have many suggestions to this effect. (800)

Some Hon. Members have suggested that the deposit money may be raised. Raising the deposit money alone will not solve/ the problem. They also suggested that there must be ten elected proposers for every non-serious independent candidate.

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TRANSCRIPTION NO. 400 **Railway Budget**

Sir, I rise to support the Railway Budget for 1992-93. The Railways are one of the/ biggest media for communication and to carry people and the goods and serve the nation. Here we have found/ that the Railways are really aware of their duties and responsibilities and it is one source by which our economy can/ gain momentum and which helps to fulfil our social obligation. We respect the Indian Railways. However, there is still room/ for improvement of services to be rendered to individual passengers. A lot has to be done towards improvement of railway stations, (100) cleanliness and catering service.

We have to initiate a number of steps to plug leakage of revenue during transportation, that is, during movement of goods from one place to the other. This will surely help the economy and also/ minimise damages and also minimise the claims from affected persons.

The Railway Ministry have to think in terms of rehabilitation/ and renovation of railway track and also conversion of metre gauge into broad gauge lines in tribal areas. My humble/ suggestion for broad gauge line to be considered in the Eighth Five Year Plan is from Bulsar in Gujarat to (200) Nasik in Maharashtra. This will help in the development of the tribal belt in both the States and will provide/ many opportunities to the people of the area. This is a very long-pending demand with the Central Government./ I hope the hon. Minister would think in this direction and satisfy both the States.

The performance of the Railways is/ satisfactory when we see the data provided by the Minister. The growth of passenger traffic is 5 per cent./ There is control on the working expenses. By putting in extra efforts, the earnings are increasing at a satisfactory level. (300)

Keeping in view the demands and requirements, fifteen new trains are being introduced from 1st July, 1992./ We are thankful to the hon. Minister for this. However, these are much less in number, considering the growing demand./ The service improvement group is to be activised so that the local problems of each and every area could be/ attended to and resolved to the greater satisfaction of the passengers.

In this connection, I demand that computerised reservation system/ should be introduced at Surat in Gujarat. As you know, Surat is an industrial centre. This is a long-standing demand. (400)

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TRANSCRIPTION NO. 401

Railway Budget

I rise to support the Railway Budget and com-
pliment the Railway Minister and his Ministry. The
contribution of pension fund/ which has been
enhanced during 1991-92 has resulted in an
addition of Rs. 40 crores/ to the amount of the
Budget. It is really an excellent measure. Sixteen
new lines have been introduced and/ (277 kilome-
tres have been targeted for opening before March,
1992. Further programme for/ opening new lines
in 1992-93 is totalling to 364 kilometres, (100)
Altogether 16 new lines are going to be introduced.
Madam, introducing land management is also a
correct step. Track renewals for/ a distance of 300
kilometres have been introduced. Priority is given
to railway electrification with a target of/ 3500
kilometres in the Eighth Plan. New schemes for
electrification of about 1500 route kilometres
have been included/ in the Budget. Exemption has
been given altogether for several essential com-
modities from increase in freight rates.

The hon. Minister, / the Prime Minister and the
Deputy Chairman of the Planning Commission
shall have to be complimented for their progressive
policy (200) deciding that the entire country should
have one gauge. That is why, the conversion of
metre-gauge to broad gauge/ has been intro-
duced. This is a very correct measure. This will
promote the backward areas and simultaneously
provide employment to/ the poor and the needy. I
would like to remark that the conversion of narrow-
gauge in the most backward area, / that is, Kolar
District of Karnataka, has not been included.

I do not know why the Minister is giving/ It a
step-motherly kind of treatment. Kolar is a back-
ward and drought-prone area. The Minister has
taken measures (300) to see that there is only one
gauge throughout the country, that is, the broad-
gauge, and yet he/ has neglected this particular
narrow-gauge line. I hope the Minister will kindly
consider this aspect and see that this/will be
converted into broad-gauge line. The rise in fare
and freight charges is not high when compared to/
the previous Budget. This Budget has in fact taken
care of the poor and the ordinary class
passengers. There is/ criticism that the increase in
fare and freight charges is steep and is not
in the interest of the rail user. (400)

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The second-class compartments and sometimes even the first class compartments are very crowded. Drinking water is not being provided. The toilets and bathrooms are not clean. The railway authorities should pay more attention to the basic requirements of the passengers. The food that is being supplied is not at all good and hygienic. It is very often cold and exposed, let alone the taste of food which is very bad at times. Care must be taken by the management to provide good and hygienic food. The hon. Minister has been kind enough to supply hot and hygienic food to the (500) Members in the Central Hall and in the Parliament. Likewise, the same kind of good food should be supplied to the passengers also. As the catering service is being privatised the service should improve. It is criticised that laying of double line in some parts of Tamil Nadu and other areas has not been taken up. This is true and it has to be done on priority. I suggest that new lines should be laid and the narrow-gauge and metre-gauge lines should be converted to broad-gauge lines. The workers as well as people suffer when funds (600) meant for conversion are not released. This is especially so in the case of Konkan Railway, and Mysore-Bangalore route. Anyway, this Budget has sought to provide employment opportunities to the down-trodden people. It contributes a great deal for the development and growth of the country. The railway stations need to be properly equipped so that proper catering services are maintained. A lot remains to be done as far as leakage of revenue is concerned, whether it be in the passenger line or in the transportation of goods. This will also help in improving the economy of the Railways. (700) Steps are also to be taken to maintain safety and security of both the passengers and the goods. Important officers like Chief Engineers, and other officers should also be instructed to arrange meetings and discussions with the local leaders and social workers so that they get acquainted with the problems faced by the passengers. Punctuality should also be maintained strictly. Wagons should be made available for transporting perishable articles like vegetables, potatoes, tomatoes, and mangoes.

Their services and their due promotions should be safeguarded. Some junior officers of Railways were on hunger strike recently at the Boat Club, New Delhi. (800) Equal pay for equal work and to promote officers who were denied their right, whether on percentage basis or otherwise, as against the direct recruits were their demands. When they were on hunger strike, they were not called for negotiations.

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Government of India
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TRANSCRIPTION NO. 402

Statement by
hon. Defence Minister,
Government of India

This statement is a brief report for the information of Parliament on my visits to the U.S. in May/1964 and the U.S.S.R. during August-September, 1964./The object of my visit to the U.S. was to secure material and financial assistance for the implementation of India's/ Five-Year Defence Plan covering the period April 1964 to March 1969/ to which I had made a reference during the debate on the Demands for Grants of the Defence Ministry in (100) March, 1964. There was also a long-standing invitation from the U.S. Defence Secretary to/ visit the U.S. to discuss problems of mutual interest.

I also received later an invitation from the Defence Minister/ of U.S.S.R. I took this opportunity to discuss with the Soviet Government various matters connected with the/ implementation of our Defence Plan.

The task of re-equipping and modernising our Armed Forces is a very stupendous one./ In order to ensure systematic development of our Defence potential in the light of the threat facing the country earlier this year, (200) we prepared a Five-Year Defence Plan. The programmes of modernisation of the Defence Forces and improvement of facilities/ for logistic support of the Armed Forces would call for additional outlays on Defence. The increase, in terms of internal resources,/ will be of the order of about 10 to 12 per cent over the current level of Defence expenditure./ But the total requirement of foreign exchange for the Defence Plan has been assessed at about three times the normal/ allocations which can be made to Defence from our own export earnings.

The major constraint, therefore, which would affect (300) the implementation of the Defence Plan is the availability of foreign exchange in time, to meet the import requirements of the/ various constituents of the Plan. As the economic development plans also require heavy investments of foreign exchange in order to/ ensure that the progress of India's economic development is not affected, it is necessary to secure assistance from friendly foreign countries/ for the implementation of the Defence Plan. I reached Washington on May 18, 1964, and/ had discussions with the U.S. Secretary of Defence. I also had discussions with Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Rusk. (400)

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I also discussed the question of supply of high performance fighter aircraft for the Indian Air Force, the need for which was established in Exercise Shiksha held last year. The U.S. authorities, while discussing supply of such aircraft under the Military Assistance Programme, pointed out that the question of introducing another type of supersonic aircraft may have to be studied further. In the circumstances, no final decision was taken. The U.S. authorities offered to send a team of experts to determine whether they could be of assistance in further development of this aircraft and in its production. (500) The team has since visited India and has submitted a report which is under examination.

On the question of supply of naval vessels for replacing the over-age ships in our fleet, it was agreed that our requirements in this field should first be discussed with the British Government.

Apart from the grant assistance and credit assistance which the U.S. Government have agreed to provide during the fiscal year 1965 and which they are willing to consider for the subsequent years, I attach considerable importance to the fact that the need for strengthening the Defence production base in India (600) has been fully recognised by the U.S. authorities and a substantial portion of the credits already offered will be utilised for modernization of the Indian ordnance factories. During my stay, I visited a number of Defence installations and training establishments in the U.S. On hearing of the sudden passing away of Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru, I cut short my visit in the U.S. and returned to India on May 28, 1964. A meeting with President Johnson scheduled for May 28, 1964 could not take place. (700)

As Hon'ble Members are aware, we had concluded an agreement in 1962 with the Soviet Union for establishing production of MIG-21 fighter aircraft. While we have proceeded with civil works and preparation of project reports, it was found that there were several important fields not covered by the original agreement in which without additional Soviet assistance it would not be possible to establish early production of the aircraft. It was also our intention to explore possibilities of securing assistance in respect of certain other equipments included in the Plan. (800)

I reached Moscow on August 28, 1964. I had discussions with the Soviet Defence Minister and senior members of the State Committee for Foreign Economic Relations. I had also discussions with the Chairman, Mr. Khrushchev. These discussions were most cordial.

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(For superlative dictation)

TRANSCRIPTION NO. 403 { **Speech of hon. Finance Minister** }

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Sir, regarding the first part of the observations made by the hon. Member arising out of the comments of Professor Gadgil, as I remember, there were three points; firstly that the Planning Commission had not developed appropriate criteria and secondly/ that it had not worked out the annual Plans with appropriate break-ups. These were two things, and then there/ was another question about the Planning Commission mixing up with the policies of Government and not giving proper advice./ or submitting to wrong policies and also that the Planning Commission did not watch the progress of the Plan even in (100) its broadest elements.

These are fairly grave charges. It is up to the Planning Commission to say what answer/ It has for these things. Regarding annual Plans and break-ups, Sir, hon. Members here are familiar with the annual Plans/ and that the Central and State Governments base their annual Budgets on annual Plans, after a very careful examination of/ all aspects and after discussions, prolonged discussions, between the States and the Central Ministries. All the material that is available/ is pressed into service. To that extent, Professor Gadgil's charge is not correct. About criteria, the complaint may be true, (200) because it takes experience, time and technical tools to develop the criteria and the yardsticks. Though we have made some/ progress in this direction since the first Plan was got ready, I do not think that we can be or/ should be satisfied with the progress that has been made.

Regarding the other thing, the question of watching progress by/ the Planning Commission, even in general terms, and that it was not able to check certain gross errors and distortions that may be taking place, well, I cannot vouch for the Planning Commission having done its part in this respect (300) adequately and correctly because I have in mind a certain aspect of the duties and responsibilities of the Planning Commission/ about which there cannot be complete justification, for example, on the question of foreign exchange resources. There was the question/ of import licences which were issued, regarding which some hon. Members said that they had been issued on a lavish/ scale over a certain period. It is quite true, and a statement was laid on the Table of this House/ about these licences and an explanation was given. Even that explanation did not deny that somebody was responsible for it. (400)

We may say that it was the responsibility of the Finance Ministry or the Commerce and Industry Ministry but the/ responsibility of the Planning Commission cannot entirely be disowned. This is something which I have in my mind but I/ also know hundreds of things to which the Planning Commission diligently applies itself, watches, informs and conveys its advice on/ many matters. It does so from day to day. What Prof. Gadgil has said about the Planning Commission may be/ partly true but not largely so. And regarding the kind of policies, it is a debatable ground. (500) It may be that with some policies Prof. Gadgil agrees and not with certain other policies. Therefore, when the Planning Commission aligns itself/ with certain policies of the Government or helps the Government to formulate policies in a certain manner and if those/ policies somehow do not coincide with the viewpoint of a particular person, for him to say that the Planning Commission/ has succumbed or has subordinated its judgement is not a good and correct thing. It really is throwing doubt on/ the integrity of the Planning Commission.

Sir, the hon. Member quoted from an article by Prof. Galbraith and observed that (600) the socialism to which this Government is committed in this country is illusion. He is not a protagonist of socialism/ himself and he explained those aspects. that is, we here in India have much less of regulation of the economy/ than is the case in countries which have no plans at all. We are unable to direct our economy even/ to the extent as is being done in countries which do not lay any claim to socialism. That is the/ main content of Prof. Galbraith's article. For what purpose he said that, that is not the question here. (700) He said that in advanced countries they have tools and instruments for controlling and directing the economy on lines compatible with certain/ objectives. It is true that we have not got all these tools and instruments sufficiently well developed in this country/ The hon. Member, Mr. Dave, said that fiscal and credit regulation won't suffice for fulfilling Plans of this size, (magnitude) and complexity. That is perfectly true. Not that we have no instruments; we have some instruments but as far as I can judge/ they are not adequate. On the other hand, when Government applies some of these instruments and tools, (800) there are shouts from a number of people against whatever regulation we introduce and practise. Then, Sir, the question of/ centralisation was raised. It was pointed out that planning in this country is centralised and it should now be decentralised.

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A special style of language used for administrative matters

TRANSCRIPTION NO. 404

{ Speech of hon. }
{ Home Minister }

This Bill has been brought forward for the purpose of amending the 1954 Act which originally/ applied to Part A State High Courts, but after the reorganisation has been so adapted as to make it applicable/ to all the High Courts in the present States. Formerly, so far as the then British India was concerned, we had the Order of 1937 under the Government of India Act of 1939./ That Act or the Order was in force as appropriately amended or adapted from time to time. (100) Then, you are aware that the Constitution was passed and according to the Constitution, certain rules were laid down both in the/ body of the Constitution itself as also in one of its Schedules. So, certain conditions of service were specified as/ for example, the question of the remuneration of the High Court Judges and the Chief Justices in the various High/ Courts, But some matters remained, therefore, in 1954 an Act was passed by Parliament so/ far as the then Part A State High Courts were concerned. Before that, Sir, you are aware that after the (200) integration of States, we had under the Constitution what was known as Part B States, and there were High Courts/ therein. So far as these High Courts were concerned, an order was passed in 1953 governing the conditions of service of the Part B State High Court Judges. Subsequently, after the re-organisation of States you are/ aware, Sir, that advantage was taken of the amendments to the Constitution in certain respects so far as the/ High Court Judges were concerned, and those amendments actually came into effect from 1st November 1956. (300) Thus, you will find, Sir, that from 1st November 1956 we have the High Court Judges Act/ of 1954 duly adapted after reorganiza- tion. That is the main Act or, as it is sometimes/ called, the parent Act, which is now sought to be amended in respect of certain matters.

One is with regard to/ leave, and it is considered necessary to specify certain circumstances. The second is about the making of some of/ these rules applicable to Additional High Court Judges because special provision was made in the Constitution by the Seventh Amendment. (400)

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Now, in this Bill it has been made clear that so far as these Acting Judges and Additional Judges are concerned, / their service as such will be counted for the purpose of pension only if they are subsequently made permanent judges. / Otherwise, for example, if no such provision was made, then their service for the purpose of pension would be / counted only from the time they are made permanent. But here, it has been made clear that in case they / are made permanent, their previous service as an Acting or Additional Judge will also be taken into account for the purpose of their pension. (500)

So far as leave is concerned, whatever leave they would be entitled to in view of the / period of service that they have put in as Acting Judge or Additional Judge will be taken into account, / and under the scheme of leave as mentioned in the Act of 1954, they would be / entitled to a period or periods of leave as then laid down.

Then, Sir, after this a very important question / arose so far as the unexpired leave was concerned as also the question of the pensions of the former Part B State (600) High Court Judges who were continued as Judges in the new High Courts that were established on the / reorganisation of States. We had some High Courts, as you are aware, in Part B States. When under the Constitution / these Part B States themselves ceased to be as such and they were placed in the reorganised States of India, / naturally the High Courts in Part B States also disappeared. So far as these Judges were concerned, a very / large number of them were ultimately appointed as Judges in the new High Courts under the States Reorganisation Act, (700) and naturally a question arose as to what is to be done so far as the period of service that they had / previously put in the Part B State High Courts was concerned. A question arose as to whether the period of / service that they had put in as a High Court Judge, including in some cases as Chief Justice, should or / should not be taken into account, or whether some other formula should be introduced by which a particular period and / not the whole period should be taken into account. In this connection, two questions arise. One is about leave. (800) If, for example, they were entitled to certain periods of leave and then by the time the new High Courts came / into existence, they continued in effect to be High Court Judges, what was to happen to the unexpired leave period ?

(840 words)

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TRANSCRIPTION NO. 405 Debate on Railway Budget

Madam, I would like to speak on several items dealing with the various aspects of the operational side of the Indian Railways. / Firstly, we have to take into consideration that after partition the Indian Railways had to bear a great strain. / A lot of disturbances did happen in the very structure of the Railways and it was with great foresight that/ it could be met so well. The first thing that occurs to us is about the rolling stock. The rolling/ stock is very important because India used to import a large number of engines and so many other things (100) which are associated with the operational side. It is very heartening to see that today most of these things are being/ produced in India. Recently, I had the privilege of visiting some of these factories, especially the Chittaranjan Factory, and I/ saw that the recent manufacture of an electric engine was something indicative of the wonderful achievement. Steam engines and diesel engines are manufactured, the latter/ones Varanasi. These have gone a long way in meeting the demands of the/ Railways sufficiently. As far as many other things connected with the electric equipment are concerned, I find that they are also (200) produced in a large number at Bhopal, at the Heavy Electricals Factory which I had the privilege of visiting/ only the other day, and they have given a very good account of themselves. These things should augur well for/ future activities as far as the Railways are concerned.

Madam, about the amenities and so many other things concerning the/ second class passengers, the Railways have done very well. A democratic Government, as it is, has to look to/ the needs of the second class passengers who subscribe to the tune of 80 per cent of the Railways' revenue. (300) Installation of fans in coaches, construction of passenger halls and, above all, the abolition of the invidious distinction about exit and entry of the passengers do speak very well of the administrative side. And apart from the amenities, the exciting/ thing that we see is that those people who have been working— I mean the railway staff— have also been/ accorded a number of facilities. At some places, it was a heartening scene to see students taking wholesome meals which/ were subsidised by the Railway Administration. These are some of the points to which I have to draw your attention. (400)

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After having given my thoughts to these things, I would like to speak on certain matters which have engaged/ my attention currently. Madam, I feel that at this hour we have to devote our attention to saving every rupee that we can./ In that context, I say that as far as construction of buildings is concerned, it should be done/ in the same perspective. I mean, there are stations which have been demonished, stations which could have been quite serviceable for years to come. There were some very good stations, they were quite strong ones. Some were given a new look. (500) At this hour of emergency, when we need every rupee to be saved, this has to be given serious consideration to./ The second point that I would like to bring to the notice of the hon. Minister of Railways is/ that as far as the narrow gauge railway lines are concerned, I have gone through some of their financial aspects, / and I am not really happy. I feel that as early as possible the narrow gauge should be abolished because/ if you could save to the tune of Rs. 2-1/2 crores annually and the same could be invested (600) in converting the line into broad gauge or even metre gauge, that would be a better project. I understand that/ the Railway Board is also giving serious consideration to this aspect of the thing.

Now, I would like to draw/ the attention of the hon. Minister to a very important factor, As is the progress made in other democratic countries, / in the matter of our Railways also we should try to make it more modern, we should rationalise it and/ also make it modern in a manner which may compare favourably with the railways in other advanced countries of the world, (700) which have gone much ahead of us. I mean in this connection that our Research, Designs and Standards Organisation/ should be given more consideration than has been given to it so far. Madam, I can quote, in this context, / some of the organisations working in various countries, especially in Japan, Britain and America. Japan is one country which has/ gone far ahead of even many of the Western countries. Those who have seen the performance of the Japanese Railways/ will bear me out that it is an amazing feat, how the entire system has gradually been developed, (800) how it is all, more or less, electrical equipment and electrical operations with manual labour employed the least, whereas we have the/ steam locomotive and some of the crude methods for operations on the Railways, Japan has gone far ahead of us.

840 words

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TRANSCRIPTION NO. 406 (about cooperation)

Mr. Chairman, I support this Resolution very strongly but my doubt is whether the environment required for successfully carrying it/ out can be created in the country. The experience of cooperation in the past has been analysed in the Report of the/ Rural Credit Survey of the Reserve Bank and their conclusions are not very encouraging but even then we/should lay our hope on cooperation and we must proceed.

Now, I am speaking about distributive cooperation or consumers cooperation. In this country, I know in the last few years the traders have been making large profits by raising prices. (100) We often complain of deficit financing as the cause for the rise in prices but really a large/ part of it is due to the traders. Take the case of even vegetables. In Delhi, for instance, the vegetables/ are sold at very high prices because of the traders clinging together. And this has been going on all over the country. That is to say, goods are sold at high prices not because the prices at the source are/ high, but because the people who are trading in them join together, add all kinds of extras and sell them at high prices. (200) This has been going on for the last many years and the prices have been going on fluctuating.

This has resulted, as the hon. Member pointed out, in the setting up of enquiry committees and commissions/ and the important consideration has been about increasing dearness allowance to catch up with the rising cost of living. Now, Sir, the cost of living increases have been chiefly on account of this unnecessary rise in prices due to joint/ action by the traders. And what has been the consequence of all that? There have been so many enquiries (300) and there have been strikes, because the pay has not been increased according to the cost of living. I do not/ want to go into all that, but the point here is that all these troubles, these labour troubles especially, are/ largely due to these high prices. So, it must be effectively controlled. If we can cooperatively organise shops in different/ areas under non-official management, it is possible to do that. It is necessary to keep the prices under control, especially/ of the necessities of life. The hon. Member mentioned various articles. First of all, foodgrains are the most important. (400)

In regard to foodgrains, fair price shops are there in Kerala, for instance, but the prices of other articles are/ still going up in almost all the towns in the country, not because they are not available in the countryside/ at lower prices but people have to buy them locally and the traders are controlling them. The same is the/ case with clothing also. All kinds of articles which are required by the commonman are being sold at/ very high prices. So, all these items have to be taken up.

Now, people may ask, 'who will do all that?' (500) That can be done and has been done. I have got experience of Madras for nearly 20 years. There, there/ is the Urban Cooperative Society which is doing exceedingly well. It has got about 30 branches in the city./ The Society was started by poor teachers to provide such things for themselves and for others who are drawing small salaries./ These people come in the evening and work together like brothers.

The difficulty is that we have a wrong conception/ of cooperation. We have been trying to put it into the hands of paid officers. I am not entirely against it, (600) but we do want honorary workers at the top. As the hon. Member said, this idea must be planted in the minds of the people in their very childhood in the schools. There are schools in some parts/ of the country where cooperative societies are run by the school boys. They make their own cooperative purchases and sales. In my opinion, therefore, the whole thing must start in schools and colleges. There, all purchases must be made on/ cooperative basis and thereby the very idea of cooperation must be put into the young mind. By practical experience they must be taught. (700) They will then develop into most useful honorary workers afterwards.

I have been speaking about cooperation, / That is to say, distributive cooperation, but we can go further. Even in productive cooperation we could do a lot./ There is plenty of waste land in the country. If only the landless labourers are colonised in those places, made/ to work cooperatively for increasing production, surely production could be increased in the country. We are talking aloud about increased/ production but we connect it with imposing slogans like 'ceiling on land', etc. There is plenty of waste land all over the country. (800)

But they have to spend money over that land. They can be given about five to ten/ acres and in this, cooperation can help. In that way, you are sure of increasing the production in the country.

840 words

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TRANSCRIPTION NO. 407 re. small-scale industries

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Madam Deputy Chairman, I am glad that the Seventh Annual Report of the National Small Industries Corporation Limited has been/ taken up for discussion today, I am one of those who sincerely believe that small industry has to occupy a paramount position in our economy. I do believe that it has to play a very vital and dynamic role in/ our economic growth and development. Some time past, when this matter was debated on my motion, I made certain observations./ The hon. Member was good enough to reply to some of the points raised by me. Except the reply (100) I heard on that occasion, nothing seems to have been done in regard to the various matters which inhibit the growth/ and development of the small sector.

Madam, our country is a country of small people, small traders, small entrepreneurs without/ much resources at their command and a country which requires very large effort to absorb the unemployed men and women/ and we all agree that the small units provide a large scope for employing the unemployed. Government has been professing all along that it believes, as we do here, in the development of the small scale sector. I wish the (200) professions would come true but unfortunately I find that not so much of fervour is exhibited in implementing the professions/ that they have been making off and on. At the outset, I have to point out that there seems to be/ no appreciation or understanding of the nature of the small units, I say this because small units have been mistakenly conceived as units manufacturing only small items. I am afraid this conception is wrong and small units are in/ a way large units in miniature. They can manufacture all the items that the large units can manufacture, (300) Small units are small because investment is small, machines employed are very few but all the products of large industry can very well/ be manufactured by small units and thus the small-scale industries cannot be termed small in the sense we/ regard cottage industries or village industries. So, this conception has to be clearly understood whenever we deal with small industries./

Now, what are the problems besetting the small-scale industries? Some attempts were made in the past, perhaps even by/ the National Small Industries Corporation, to remove the bottlenecks which were there. Steps have been taken to streamline the procedure. (400)

Now, the biggest bottleneck which is inhibiting the functioning of this organisation seems to have been not removed at all./ I want to be assured by the hon. Minister that the Ministry is serious or earnest about removing this important bottleneck./ Unless that is done, all the other steps taken by the National Small Industries Corporation already will have no/ meaning at all. I want the National Small Industries Corporation to function very well and very effectively and it should/ further the aspirations and ambitions of small people in the country. Today, the biggest bottleneck seems to be finance. (500) On the last occasion when I was discussing this matter, I pointed out that even during the emergency sufficient finance should/ be provided for the growth and development of small industries in the country and that things meant for Defence during/ the emergency could also be produced very well indeed by the small units, provided there is/ co-ordination and there is/ proper planning. Now, paucity of resources seems to be the biggest hurdle in the way of development of small scale/ organisations. All along these years, this organisation has depended more on foreign credits. The capital structure of this organisation is very small, (600) The authorised capital is only 50 lakhs of rupees and the paid-up capital is 40 lakhs of rupees./ With this capital, with this stagnant capital structure, it would be difficult for this organisation to operate and/ to help various schemes which it has undertaken. So, it has, by and large, depended upon foreign credits and it is/ amazing to note that while Government professes before Parliament and before the country that it believes in small-scale industries, / that it wants to promote small units everywhere, it does not, at the same time, think it advisable or desirable (700) to provide foreign exchange allocation at all. I do not know the reasons for not allocating at least a small/ amount of foreign-exchange available with the Government for the small-scale sector. I expected that the Government which believes/ in the development and growth of small industries would have automatically or normally, taken steps to allot a certain amount/ of foreign exchange for small units but this has not been done. All along, this organisation has been made to/ depend upon foreign credits only and nothing beyond that. What is the position today? Today, this organisation which has done (800) something in removing certain traditional bottlenecks which were operating, continues to exist in a very pitiable condition. Now, applications flow/ in a large number. And all the applicants are told that there will be no more sanction of the applications. (840 words)

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Tr. No. 397

riddle = difficult problem (पहेली)
 exaggeration = over-estimation (बात को बड़ा बड़ा कर कहना)
 Herculean task = most difficult task
 unbiasedly = without bias or prejudice (बिना पक्षपात के)
 backbone = most important part
 NRI = non-resident Indian
 (an Indian who does not live in India but in a foreign country)
 boon = luck, fortune
 (Don't confuse this word with boom)
 seen the light of the day = to be complete, to be fruitful
 conceived = thought of, considered
 navigation = transportation by water ways, like carrying goods etc. by boat, ferry or ship
 identified = known
 upliftment = betterment
 aluminium = lightest metal generally used for manufacture of aeroplanes
 hike = increase in price
 suicide = self-killing (आत्महत्या)
 crazy = madly eager
 to the tune of = to the extent of, to the order of, about

Tr. No. 398

laudable = very appreciable
 enunciated = pronounced, officially declared
 assertions = assurances, promises
 baffled = confused
 mesmerise = hypnotise (जादू करके अपने फन्दे में फसा लेना)

instability = weakness

late = who is not alive (मरहूम, जिस की मृत्यु हो चुकी है)

wiped out = removed

with a. plus = overwhelmingly (फनदा भारी होना)

Rs. 119,000 and odd = anything between 119,000 and 120,000

day in and day out = every day

curtailing = reducing

colonial rule = rule by a foreign country

emoluments = total salary

pay rolls = acquittance roll, payment of salaries to the staff

as for the = regarding

Per capita = per head

enhancing = increasing

resorted to = to take recourse to (रास्ता अपनाना)

Tr. No. 399

countermanding = cancelling election in a constituency

statutory = based on law, lawful, legal

incidence = happening

restored = revived

constituted = framed, appointing a committee

delimitation = re-making of a constituency

census = counting of population of a country

go in for = to have the liking for

rotated = changed by turns

consolidated = integrated, unified

booth-capturing = winning elections in a constituency by force

filed = submitted

Tr. No. 400

momentum = speed

room = scope, place

rendered = given

initiate = start

leakage = waste, loss

rehabilitation = resettlement, revival

renovation = repair

railway track = railway line

tribal belt = area of tribal population

activised = made active

resolved = solved

computerised reservation = reservation of train berths through computers

suburban fares = fares of local trains

consequently = as a result of

elite = rich people

thrust = priority, importance

gauge conversion = converting metre gauge into broad gauge

commendable = appreciable

declined = worsened, gone down

rakes = full goods or passenger trains

Tr. No. 401compliment = appreciate (प्रशंसा करना) (Don't spell this word as complement)kilometre = 1000 metres (don't spell this word as kilometer)

targeted = planned

altogether = all put together, totally (सब मिलाकर)

(Don't type this word as all together which means all the persons collected together, e.g. let us take our meals all together)

track renewals = changing the old railway lines with new railway lines

1500 route kilometres = 1500 kilometres of running railway lines between two end railway stations

simultaneously = side by side, concurrently, at the same time

needy = poor

drought-prone areas = areas which are likely to have droughts (सूखा)

fare = charges for transporting passengers as bus fare, railway fare (don't confuse this word with fair)

freight = charges for transporting goods

steep = sudden and very high

hygienic = clean (स्वच्छ)

privatised = changing the ownership from Government to private persons (निजीकरण)

Laying = putting (बिछाना)

Down-trodden people = suppressed persons, such poor and illiterate persons who have been suppressed or exploited by rich people for their own benefit or service

Acquainted with = familiar with (This word is always followed by the preposition with)

Punctuality = to be on time, not late

Perishable articles = goods which get spoiled or unusable very soon e.g. milk, vegetables, fruits, fish, etc.

Tr. No. 402

stupendous = very difficult

logistic = reasonable

call for = require

constraint = restriction, control

constituents = important parts

supersonic aircraft = aeroplane whose speed is as high as that of sound

over-age ships = very old ships

fleet = group of vehicles like buses, taxis, aeroplanes, ships

ordnance = Defence armaments like rifles, guns, etc. (don't clash this word with ordinance which means law made by the President or the Governor)

explore = find out

Tr. No. 403

criteria = (plural of criterion) principles

break-ups = analyses, deep examination

grave = serious (don't confuse this word with great whose sound is almost the same while taking dictation)

pressed into service = used

yardsticks = parameters, criteria, principles

gross errors = very serious mistakes

distortions = errors

vouch for = support

lavish = richly, extravagant

disowned = be free from

diligently = hard workingly, industriously

aligns = associates

coincide with = to be similar to

succumbed = made ineffective

subordinated = made inferior

integrity = honesty

committed = duty bound

illusion = deception when an unreal thing appears to be real

protagonist = supporter

advanced countries = developed countries, modern countries (don't confuse advanced with advance). Advance means before time as advance action. While taking down dictation, it is difficult for the human tongue to distinctly differentiate to the listener, and equally difficult for the writer to hear properly. The only method to transcribe correctly is to base your transcription on the difference between the usage of advance and advanced

compatible with = in accordance with

won't = abbreviated form of will not

suffice = to be sufficient

magnitude = size

complexity = complication

Practise = as verb the spelling is with ⓐ and as noun it is spelt with ⓑ. For example, to practise shorthand daily; and daily practice.

Tr. No. 404

remuneration = salary

integration = unification

subsequently = afterwards

ceased = discontinued, stopped

Tr. No. 405

foresight = wisdom

(Don't spell this word as farsight which is no word in English. Of course, there is a word farsighted which is adjective and foresight is noun).

met = soiled, satisfied

(past tense of meet whose commonly known meaning is to see a person (मिलना). But it has its second meaning also which should be learnt to avoid wrong transcription of this word as made)

rolling stock = Railway engines, passenger coaches, wagons, etc. are collectively known as rolling stock.

heartening = pleasing, gladdening

indicative = sign (सकेत), pointing to

latter = antonym of former, that which is at stage No. 2. (Don't confuse this word with later which is related to time—late, later. I shall see you later and not latter. The latter part and not the later part of the film

augur well = seem to be well

invidious = intolerable, insulting

exit = the way to go out

accorded = given

wholesome = healthy

perspective = context (सम्बन्ध)
(It is a different word from prospective which means relating to future)

rationalise = to make moderate

especially = particularly, a particular sector of a whole unit, e.g. people of India, especially rural women (It should never be confused with speciality (विशेष रूप से). (Wrong spelling is full mistake)

bear me out = support

feat = miracle (किस्समा)
(Don't mis-spell as feet)

Tr. No. 406

analysed = considered thoroughly

clinging together = making union for trading goods

fluctuating = going up and down

conception = thinking, viewpoint

honorary workers = workers who work without having any salary

thereby = in that way

colonised = settled in large groups

imposing slogans = impressive slogans or shouts of protest

Tr. No. 407

paramount = prominent, important

vital = important

dynamic = very powerful

inhibit = restrict, hinder
(don't transcribe its outline as inhabit)

absorb = employ, to use

professing = preaching, declaring

all along = always, throughout
(Don't transcribe their outlines as all alone)

professions = statements made before time

fervour = zeal (जोश)

exhibited = shown

off and on = frequently

conceived = thought, considered

miniature = small size

besetting = to be within, linked

bottlenecks = difficulties, hurdles

streamline = strengthen

further = as a verb, it means to go forward, improve

aspirations = ambitions

paucity = shortage

hurdle = hindrance (बाधा)

slender = thin, small
(Don't transcribe its outline as cylinder)

Tr. No. 408

on all hands = unanimously, by all the persons

go hand in hand = go along, go apace (साथ साथ चलना)

for = cause (second meaning)

counterpoise = making equivalent (or oppose equally)

on that score = due to that reason

penalise = punish

patriotism = loyalty for one's country
(देश भक्ति)

legitimate = reasonable

discontent = dissatisfaction

privations = difficulties

mobilised = put into use

harnessing = putting into useful working

abandon = leave, give up

by and large = speaking generally, as a whole

prune = cut, reduce

set about = start

departure = different view

presently = now, currently

inescapable = unavoidable, which cannot be escaped

Tr. No. 409

changed hands = ownership was changed

broking firms = brokers' firms

accusing = blaming

exploit = to take undue advantage

vigilance = supervision

misgivings = misunderstanding

advent = dawn, creation

barriers = restrictions, hindrances

not-existent = as not existing

phenomenal = natural, automatic

Tr. No. 410

outcome = result

Fiscal Commission = Finance Commission

appended = attached

illuminating note = knowledgeable note, note full of important information (Don't type its outline as eliminating which means rooting out)

immensely = greatly

fallow land = infertile land (बंजर)
(Don't spell its outline as fellow)

confronted with = faced with

exhaustively = comprehensively, in detail

embodied = contained, found within

cope with the = to pull on (निभाना)

convention = system, custom

Tr. No. 411

heroic = brave

aloud = loudly (Don't transcribe its outline as allowed)

shelved = postponed

re-invoke = re-impose

sentimental = emotional

prohibition = ban on drinking
(नशा बंदी)

landed = placed

disaster = great risk (आपत्ति)

windfalls = fortunes

calamities = natural disasters like floods, earthquakes, etc.

worsening = becoming worse

stock-piling = storing of nuclear weapons

breaks out = spreads

humiliating = insulting

Effected = brought about, put into operation (If you spell this word as affecting in this sentence, one mistake shall be counted; understand the difference in meaning between effect and affect)

deliberately = intentionally

consistent with = in line with, similar to

overnight = in a little time

far-sighted = wise

short-sighted = not seeing into the future

statesmanship = political ability

cowardice = weak-heartedness
(बुजदिली)

colossal = huge

Tr. No. 412

discriminatory = biased, showing undue favour

evade = to escape

issue = question

corroborated = proved

ascertained = made certain, assured

set aside = ignored

extraneous = irrelevant, not concerned

judiciary = all the courts of the country collectively

arrive at = decide, conclude

discrimination = prejudice (भेदभाव, पक्षपात)

mentality = ideology (विचारधारा)

integrity = honesty

bar = association of lawyers

matter = material thing, *not spiritual*

Tr. No. 413

landmark = important development

pinnacle of glory = height or top of fame

commanded = controlled, having grip over

protective tariff walls = power given by concession in taxation

tyrannised = tortured, suppressed
(ब्रुत्याचार करना)

under the heel of = under the power of

afresh = from the start
(Don't transcribe it as fresh)

rejuvenate/renovate = revive, to give new life

at the helm of affairs = ruling over
(पूर्ण रूप से नियन्त्रण रखना)

apparently = obviously, it seems that

domain = power, full power

consciousness = awareness

autonomy = half freedom

ad hoc = special, for the time being

terms of reference = duties of a commission or committee

abundant = excessive

potentialities = probability, possible availability

pace = speed

halting = restricted, not rapidly
(रुक रुक कर)

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TRANSCRIPTION NO. 408 { *Defence versus economic development* }

We are having this Budget in the third year of the Third Five Year Plan, that is to say, / this is the thirteenth Budget under planning, But added to this is the emergency today which naturally has an impact on / the economic policies and, in particular, on the Budget proposals. It is agreed on all hands that resources should be found / for the strengthening of our national Defence as well as for the country's economic development. I think, on the whole, / it is a right approach in the situation that national Defence and economic development should go hand in hand. (100) Indeed, we cannot have a strong self-reliant Defence potential in the country either now or in the future or / in any future at all without having a strong economic base, especially industrial base, for, without a strong industrial base / you cannot have modern defence in the world today. Therefore, on the whole, it is a right approach and I think / we all should stick to this approach instead of trying to counterpoise one against the other, Therefore on that score / there is not any controversy whatsoever, but there is ground for controversy when you come to the Budget proposals. (200)

The fragedy of the present Budget is that it heavily penalises the patriotism of our people. It seems / that those who have formulated the Budget have taken into their heads that the legitimate sentiments of the people for / strengthening the Defence of the country—as we all stand for strengthening the Defence of the country—could be exploited, in a manner which is, in a large measure, against the interests of the people as well as against the / interests of the Defence economy. I wish to make it very clear that Defence has two sides, weapons and equipment (300) on the one hand, and the human side as well as the labour power of the working people on the other. / I think we cannot conceive of a strong Defence in conditions of discontent, privations, sorrow and suffering. I think / we will have to evolve a policy whereby the resources of the country could be mobilised simultaneously with the harnessing / of the willing labour power, enthusiasm and initiative of our working people. That is how we should approach the problem / of Defence in a democratic set-up. In conditions of military dictatorship, etc., they do not bother about the people. (400)

Somehow or other, weapons and equipment are brought from outside and some kind of Defence is built up which means, in fact, that when you go in for such a thing, you surrender your entire independence and we are very glad that the Prime Minister has rightly pointed out, time and again, that in order to defend something, we must have that thing and defence will be meaningless if we, in the name of the preparations for the Defence of the country, begin to sell our independence at some other counter. Such is not, fortunately, the policy of the Government (500) as we understand it, and such can never be the policy of the Government. Therefore, there is national agreement on the question of Defence and also on the question of economic development although it has been raised by some people that in order to prepare the country for its Defence, we must abandon some of our good objectives in the Plan, gradually and prune it. But, by and large, the Government, at least in theory, has not accepted it, and we would also like the Government not to accept it in point of fact because, as I said, no defence, (600) worthy of a great independent nation like ours, can ever be built except on the foundations of a solid growing, strong economy.

Now, therefore, Madam Deputy Chairman, where does the controversy arise between ourselves and the Government? The controversy arises on the question of finding resources, and the question to be asked today is how to set about the task of fulfilling the needs of the situation as a whole and the emergency in particular, and where to find and how to find the resources for the purpose. This is the point of departure as far as we and the Government (700) are concerned, and I should presently go into the question of pointing out to you that the Government's approach and the line of action is certainly not one which was inescapable or unavoidable in the situation. It was possible for the Government to raise the resources without going in for some of the harsh economic burdens which they have decided to impose upon the people.

Let me come to the question of the Compulsory Deposit Scheme. Here, we have been supporting compulsory deposits. In fact, we have been urging upon the Government to introduce some such schemes as would (800) enable them to tax the resources lying with the former Princes, multi-millionaires, big businessmen and other sections of the wealthy people. They have got plenty of accumulations. Our quarrel is not with the system of savings scheme as such. (840 words)

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TRANSCRIPTION NO. 409

Now, certain instances have been mentioned, as for instance, tea. As you know, Sir, before Independence the tea industry was/ practically in the hands of Europeans. You cannot call it a monopoly because a large number of companies were owning/ the tea gardens. Of course, they were all foreigners but gradually in the last twelve years a large number of/ tea gardens have changed hands and now a large number of Indians own tea gardens. Even in the broking firms/ a number of Indians have been taken as partners. Since the tea industry was completely in the hands of Europeans (100) before Independence, the sales were mostly in the United Kingdom and naturally the Britishers had an advantage because there the/ people wanted to buy and they were also the sellers here. But after the national Government came into existence, / we have been taking all possible steps to see that Indians get a share and a constantly rising share in the/ business of the country and the quantum of our share is gradually increasing and I think now in the tea/ trade over 80 per cent must be in the hands of Indians. There are some very good tea gardens with (200) them and as a matter of fact in the matter of quality, they are in no way inferior to the foreigners./ Therefore, so far as the Government policy is concerned, I do not think there is anything that can be said/ against it but you cannot stop the Communist Members from accusing the Government because that is what they will do, / whether it is right or wrong. That is their monopoly and you cannot prevent them. In fact, the/ policy of the Government in the matter of labour legislation and other measures has been to see that the industrialists and (300) the big businessmen do not exploit the situation and that the labour get a fair deal. Their wages are increased, / bonus is given properly. They have a living wage, a fair wage and so on. As a matter of fact, / any legislation that is introduced seeks to increase the amenities of workers and in spite of this being so, / if somebody wants to criticise, well, you cannot prevent them because they do not care for facts nor for truth./ This Resolution has no meaning because there are no monopolistic concerns and there is no question of any enquiry being held. (400)

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Certain statements were made about the loss of foreign exchange and profit in the sales of tea. So long as the/ tea business was the monopoly of the Britishers, I have no doubt that that was happening but with the/ vigilance now exercised by the Government, they are gradually being stopped and I do not think that we can make/ that charge now. I feel therefore that in view of the present attitude and the laws that have been enacted/ and are being enacted from time to time, there is not the slightest chance of any monopoly being established (500) — not to speak of such a monopoly, even if it exists — taking advantage or exploiting the people and the consumers./ Therefore, Sir, I oppose this Resolution.

Mr. Deputy Chairman, Sir, it was very kind of Dr. Singh to have brought forward/ this Resolution which gives ample opportunity to the Government to clarify the various misgivings on this important question./ I am glad to see that many friends on both sides have tried to contribute to this debate and have answered most/ of the points raised in the Resolution itself.

Sir, if we see the economic history of the world in the (600) last two centuries, it is the advent of industrial revolution which really placed in the hands of man such vast/ powers of construction that were not known to mankind before. The development of science and technology made all the physical/ human and organisational barriers non-existent making it increasingly possible for an individual or a group of individuals, for a/ large number of persons, to produce through their own efforts and efforts of others much more than what a normal/ human being can do. We see today that within a short span of 200 years, man's mind has devised (700) power houses, nuclear fuel and other things where hardly a dozen may control the generation of 2 million kws/ of power. That is a phenomenal growth and this has naturally led to what Dr. Singh and many other hon./ friends rightly said, a tendency for concentration of power and wealth, both economic and otherwise into a few hands./ Therefore, in the early part of the 19th century we did see in different countries in the world a growth of/ a system of society where some big houses and combination of houses started to grow with a large amount of (800) economic power not commensurate either with their number or the social status. In those countries, Sir, the economic growth and/ development was a fore-runner of the social growth. We were fortunate that we had a party in this country.

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TRANSCRIPTION NO. 410

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I rise to support the principle of this Bill from the bottom of my heart. This Bill is the outcome of the Fiscal Commission's Report, a very illuminating document. It has dealt not only with subjects relating to industries, major or minor, big or small, but has also dealt with the agricultural industry. Several chapters have been devoted for the purpose of improvement of our agriculture. They have also devoted a greater part of their attention to the development of cottage industry. Although this Bill does not envisage any kind of protection regarding the agriculture industry, I do hope the (100) Government will take due notice of the recommendations and suggestions made by this Commission. Not only has the Commission made various suggestions, but our late colleague, Mr. Mukhtar Singh, who was an expert in agriculture, has appended a very illuminating note on the development of agriculture in this country. I have had the pleasure of coming into close contact with Mr. Mukhtar Singh in the Oilseeds Committee and I can say that he had a very wide experience of agriculture / Not only had he experience, but he had original ideas also. Although I was a Chairman and he was (200) only a Member of this Commission, he was a great guide to me. I do expect that the Government will consider this Report, particularly this aspect of the question regarding our food problem which is really agitating the country / to such an extent.

We are lacking immensely, as far as agricultural statistics are concerned. In America and Russia, I might say that every inch of land, either cultivated or not cultivated, fallow land or waste land, has a complete record, / and they know how agricultural land could be developed or made use of. While we are lacking immensely in this respect, (300) this Report furnishes a great deal of information. Therefore, although this does not come within the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, I hope that Government will bear this in mind as to what they intend doing / as regards the recommendations of this Commission as far as the agricultural aspect is concerned. Because this Report has / not come before this House for consideration, we are considering only a part of it, namely, the big industries or / the power and heavy industries. The point which I stated with regard to the cottage industry is an important factor. (400)

Now, I come to heavy industries which are confronted with foreign competition. There is certainly a great improvement in this Bill/ as against the provisions of the previous Tariff Board. I congratulate the Government for bringing in the present proposal./ Every time when these protection Bills come before us, Government merely gives them protection for a number of years, but/ information is not given to us as to whether the industries have been asked to improve the quality or/ to cut down their operational charges so that they can meet competition with foreign countries. All along, these complaints were there (500) and the Fiscal Commission has dealt with all these exhaustively. I am glad that some of the recommendations have been/ embodied in this Bill. I do hope that in future when protection has to be given to any industry, the/ points that I have made out will be borne in mind, for example, to what extent the raw material which/ is generally a handicap for the purpose of expansion of an industry will be available to them. At present, we/ have got several industries with very large capacity. In certain respects, we can cope with the Indian production in the country (600) but for want of the raw material, they cannot produce that quantity which India requires.

Every member of the/ Select Committee has to read the report and if they have not done so, they should in the interests of the/ industries concerned and the country. All this discussion here is to enable the members of the Select Committee to/ know what are the points to be considered and the objects to be aimed at and so on. You have/ rightly laid down the healthy convention that the members of the Select Committee need not take part in the discussion, (700) but they should be present and listen to the observations made here. They may accept whatever they feel like accepting./ but that is another matter. As I said, this convention that you have laid down, Sir, is a healthy convention/ and nobody should take it ill if anybody says anything about this subject. I am saying the right thing/ according to me and it may be agreeable to some and it may not be agreeable to others.

Well, Sir, regarding the/ number of members on the Tariff Commission, it has been stated that the number should be raised from four to six. (800) Anyway, power has been left with the Government to increase the number by two if and when the/ necessity for that is felt. This arrangement should suffice. But it should not be governed by any consideration of economy.

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TRANSCRIPTION NO. 411

Budget discussion

In rising to speak on the Budget, one would naturally extend one's good wishes to the new Finance Minister for/ his heroic efforts in tackling a situation which was both difficult and complicated. It is not my intention to go into/ the details of the Budget, or even to touch upon various matters of policy concerning it. I would only like/ to refer to a few important aspects of the various problems which have arisen on consideration of the Budget./

Personally speaking, I welcome the decision of the Finance Minister to take a comprehensive view of both the revenue account and (100) the capital budget account in assessing the correct financial position of the country, But I cannot congratulate him in the/ manner in which he proposes to meet the deficit in the capital budget account. The net result of what he/ proposes to do will be to reduce the cash balances to about Rs. 42 crores.

So far as/ taxation is concerned, my hon. friend spoke with considerable hesitation because I know much of what he was saying he/did not mean. But so far as the taxation programme is concerned, it does hit the middle and the poor people. (200) The proportion of indirect taxation has come to nearly 60 per cent. None knows better than the Finance Minister/ that the normal distribution between direct and indirect taxation in any progressive country would be about 50:50./ The darkest spot in the Budget is that we are almost reaching the end of our resources, if I could think aloud,/ there is the possibility of the death duty being imposed, but that matter has been sheived. I know there are/ difficulties. You may impose a land tax throughout the country. You may re-invoke the salt duty, though there may be (300) sentimental objection to that. You have followed the policy of prohibition in trying to pursue an ideal which has landed/ you in disaster in many of the States and in the entire economy of the whole country.

Government has taken/ advantage of many windfalls. Government was entitled to it, just as it has suffered under the impact of many natural calamities./ If we look at our increased revenue from exports, the Finance Minister rightly pointed out in his speech that/ one should not try to depend on these large exports. They are due to the worsening of the international situation. (400)

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So far as **stock-piling** is concerned, I would like to know from the Finance Minister whether Government has any/ plan for stock-piling in the interests of India. Supposing war **breaks out** and the situation **worsens**, it will be necessary/ for Government to depend on many vital things which the country itself does not produce. I did not discover/ in the Budget any plan for spending any money for a planned stock-piling in the interests of India's national economy./ I do not know if there are any secret plans going on which the Finance Minister has not disclosed. (500)

I shall now refer to the Indo-Pak Agreement. I will not go into details at the present moment./ I may have time to do so in the course of the discussion on Demands for Grants. But, frankly speaking,/ so far as this agreement is concerned, nothing could have been more **humiliating** for India than the manner in which/ this agreement was **effected**. If India wanted to have such an agreement, India could have made it long ago/ on much better terms and saved a lot of **humiliation** and misery to millions of people. But India **deliberately** wanted to pursue (600) a particular line of policy which was **consistent with** our national interest; and **overnight** that policy was changed./ Whether it was due to **far-sighted** or **short-sighted statesmanship** or due to **defeatism** or **cowardice**, I do not know./ But it has left a bad taste in the mouths of all because the country feels that it has been/ let down by its Government.

So far as the economic policy of the Government is concerned, I hope we shall have/ an opportunity of discussing this matter when the details of the Budget will be taken up. (700) But food, cloth and **shelter** are the three main things on which Government's failure is **colossal** and on which the country expects a/ new lead from the Government, if it is to function with the willing confidence and cooperation of the people./

Today, we are living in very difficult circumstances. I have no desire merely to blame the Government or **accuse** the Government/ because we are trying to solve a problem of a **magnitude** which perhaps has had no parallel in any other/ part of the world. But the way in which Government is pursuing its policy is not the way in which a solution will be found. (800)

Somehow, the gap between the Government and the people is increasing rapidly day by day./ It is no use Government **blaming** the activities of particular groups. There may be such parties who may create trouble.

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TRANSCRIPTION NO. 412

{ Re. appointment of
High Court Judges }

Mr. Deputy Chairman, Sir, before **adjournment** I was dealing with the question of selection and appointment of Judges and the/ part the Government was playing in the matter. I pointed out how the Government had been **discriminatory in such matters.** / I would beg of you to ask the hon. Minister not to **evade** the issue that I have raised because/ there is a tendency on the part of the Government to evade certain issues involving principles whenever they have no/ straight answers to give. Even if some answers could be given, they do not feel like giving those answers for (100) reasons best known to them. Now, my allegation here has been this, and to the best of my knowledge, everything/ is true. Of course, part of it can be corroborated from the Election Commission as to whether a defeated Congress/ candidate had been appointed as a Judge of the High Court of Calcutta, and the other part of it can/ be ascertained by the Government from the persons concerned, that is to say, the former Chief Justice of the Calcutta/ High Court.

Now, the point that I want to make is this, When the Chief Justice had recommended somebody, (200) that recommendation should not have been set aside on the basis of a police report. A C.B.I. sub-inspector/ certainly is not a higher personality in our set-up than the Chief Justice of a High Court. And yet,/ the recommendation was rejected, as everybody knows, on that basis, on the basis of the police report generally drawn up by/ C.B.I. sub-inspectors of the regime. Now, Sir, in the matter of selection of High Court Judges, extreme/ care should be taken so that no **extraneous** considerations come in. Therefore, Sir, I would suggest that in the matter (300) of selection and appointment of Judges, the whole thing should be left to the **judiciary** itself, to the Chief Justice/ of the High Court and finally to the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. It is possible for the Government/ to delegate these powers to them. Now, you will say that there are certain administrative considerations and other things. / They can come into the picture if it is a question of appointment of an officer or a District Judge by/ promotion to the High Court Bench but in other matters the High Courts generally know what is to be done. (400)

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The President, being the head of the State, comes into the picture and the Administration is involved in that way./ But the Cabinet or the Council of Ministers should never enter into the picture, as far as such matters are concerned./ Let there be some discussion about such matters so that we can arrive at certain arrangements. Why I say this/ is because otherwise there will be no protection against discrimination, there will be no protection against mischoice and/ there will be no protection against certain extraneous considerations influencing such appointments. Now, Sir, I am not at all making any point (500) against the Congress Government as such. I am only dealing with the question of principle. It may be/ a Congress Government or it may be any other Government. For instance, in Kerala, there is that Communist-led Government and in/ other States it is the Congress Government. I am not going into all that. I think that we can discuss/ this matter as a matter of principle. Such appointments should be made by the Judges of the High Courts and/ by the judiciary itself. That is the main point that I want to stress in this connection. (600)

We have seen that not only the defeated candidates, but sometimes some active politicians also, whom the ruling party cannot otherwise oblige are/ appointed as Judges. There may be a good reason for doing that thing or not, I do not know./ But such things do happen sometimes and in fact such things should not happen. It should appear to the country that/ the whole thing is being handled without any kind of interference or political prejudice and so on. Now, I understand/ that they will not be willing to accept such an arrangement because they are not prepared even to allow the (700) Judges to settle the question of their own vacation. I can understand their difficulty because I know the frame of / their mentality. But then, that is not good, and in order to ensure integrity, this should be changed.

Secondly, Sir./ I think there should be two types of appointments—one, by direct recruitment from the Bar, and another, of course, / by promotion. Promotion is, no doubt, very important but equally important is the direct recruitment. Now today, we talk about/ dynamic things. Yesterday, when the Prime Minister was speaking, well, science had been linked with matter. (800)

I do not know how things are being evolved. Matter has been linked with the spirit. But here, we are concerned with dynamic and/ social progress. Now, I think we should have a proper type of men for our Bench. That is very important.

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TRANSCRIPTION NO. 413 (history of industrialisation)

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I rise to give my wholehearted support to this measure which I consider to be of immense importance and a/ landmark in the history of industrialisation in the country. This Bill aims at setting up a permanent machinery for accordings/ protection to those industries of our country which stand in need of it. This country which is so very rich/ in all its resources was at one time of its history at the pinnacle of glory, not in the production/ of raw materials but in the manufacture of finished goods, but the continuous foreign rule for centuries ruined all its (100) industries with the result that the country has been brought down from that height of industrial glory. For centuries, our/ production, though it was more or less of the cottage industry type, commanded markets throughout the world. We know what/ steps were taken by our foreign rulers to discourage our home industries and to raise the protective tariff walls/ in their own country to make it industrially sound. We know how our weavers were tyrannised. It is a matter of/ history and needs no repetition here. Therefore, this country which has been under the heel of the foreigners for centuries (200) has now to begin its life afresh and to rejuvenate and renovate its ruined industries. I therefore regard this measure/ which is the first constructive attempt on the part of the Government to bring industry on a sound footing, as a/ great landmark in the history of industrialisation. For years, this country and the Government which was at the helm/ of its affairs believed in unrestricted foreign trade. It was only during World War I that the then Government thought/ for the first time that some steps must be taken in this country towards industrialisation. An Industrial Commission was appointed (300) in 1916. It apparently had nothing to do with the tariff policy, but for the first time/ it concentrated attention on the sphere and domain of the development of industries in the country. Times were changing./ There was a feeling of political consciousness amongst the masses. With the August Declaration of 1917, there was a/ cry for the grant of fiscal autonomy and for the first time we saw fiscal autonomy in the Convention. In/ 1923, the first Fiscal Commission was appointed and subsequently the Government appointed ad hoc Tariff Boards. (400)

We must keep in mind that it was still the foreign Government that was at the helm of affairs, and/ the terms of reference of these ad hoc Tariff Boards were very limited in their character. For example, before any/ industry could be considered to be entitled for the grant of protection, it was essential that there should be abundant natural resources for that industry available in the country itself. There should be a local market for its produce./ There should be real potentialities for its development and its development at a rapid pace. Even then, the protection was afforded (500) only for limited periods and that too only in cases where a certain industry could stand foreign competition. These were/ the limitations, but even in this limited sphere we have several illustrations which show that the Government of that day/ never accepted the recommendations of these Tariff Boards when they clashed with the interests of foreign capitalists, particularly British capitalists, / in this country. In 1928, the Government refused to grant any protection to the locomotive manufacturing/ industry on the lame excuse that there was no market for it in India. We know how (600) crores and crores of rupees had to be spent for buying locomotives outside the country, and even today we are importing these locomotives/ from abroad. Thus, we see that when these Tariff Boards were appointed for the first time, they functioned in a/ very halting and indecisive manner and they were intended only for the protection of the interests of foreign capitalists and/ not for the development of indigenous industries.

Then came the war. From 1939 up to/ 1945, the policy of the Government was to maintain the protection already afforded by giving fresh lease of life to the protective duties Acts. (700) It was in November 1945 that the then Government/ appointed an interim Tariff Board which, with extended life, is still working and which Tariff Board is sought to be/ replaced by the Tariff Commission envisaged in this piece of legislation.

This Bill incorporates very important provisions, which fall into/ three categories. Firstly, Chapter II deals with the establishment of the Commission, its personnel and constitution, the qualifications of the/ Members and the Chairman and also the terms of office and tenure of service of the Members and the Chairman. (800)

The second part, which is the very soul of this legislation, deals with the functions and duties of the Commission/ which are incorporated in Clause 11 of the Bill. The third part of the Bill is of a routine character.

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TRANSCRIPTION NO. 414

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Mr. Deputy Chairman, Sir, the House is just now considering the situation arising out of the closure of the Banaras/ Hindu University. It has been suggested that this closure was the result of a certain atmosphere prevailing in the student/ community, not only in the Banaras Hindu University but in the Universities all over the country. This raises, Sir, a/ very big issue, the issue of discipline among students. The question naturally arises as to who is responsible for this/ discipline going down. Sir, I would resist the temptation, in this debate, of going into the various factors that are (100) responsible for discipline among the students going down, if it has gone down to the extent which has been stated/ by the previous speaker. At any rate, Sir, I am not prepared to believe that it is only some mysterious/ influences that are suddenly operating in our student community and the so-called political agitators are the only culprits in/ this matter. If we go on harping on these influences, we will not be in a position to analyse the/ situation exactly and we will not be in a position to go to the very root of the matter which vitiates-(200) and certainly does vitiate, the situation in our Universities.

But, as I said, we are considering today a situation/ that has arisen as a result of the closure of the Banaras Hindu University and unless it is made out/ that the situation in the University is worse than the situation in other Universities as far as student indiscipline is/ concerned, this particular factor cannot unnecessarily be harped on. There may be deterioration in the student discipline but that is/ an all-India phenomenon. Fortunately, for this country we don't find all Universities being closed down in this way. (300) It is only the Banaras Hindu University which was forced to close down.

Secondly, it has been argued that a/ University is a peculiar place, is a place where students and professors meet together in a peculiar atmosphere which might be/ described as a sacred atmosphere and to that extent the outside world need not take any interest in it./ that a University should be allowed to manage its own affairs. This House would be very pleased if that was the/ situation in the Banaras Hindu University and the public was not called upon to take interest in its affairs. (400)

It has been said that after our Chairman, Dr. Radhakrishnan left the Banaras Hindu University, the situation began to deteriorate over there and that all these incidents are the culmination of the various developments that were taking place there. / May I respectfully submit that even after Dr. Radhakrishnan left the Banaras Hindu University, there were Vice-Chancellors who could manage/ that University quite well and could enforce discipline among the students in spite of the fact that certain situations and/ conditions and forces might be working in that University which might be taxing the ingenuity of the Vice-Chancellors? (500) Therefore, we have to take into consideration what exactly happened in this period when the situation went out of hand./ How is it that the situation was created in the Banaras Hindu University whereby the closure was forced upon? And that/ does bring us to the question of the Vice-Chancellor of the Banaras Hindu University. I realise that the Government/ or the University or, for that matter, any self-respecting person or institution should not bow down to/ any physical force, should not bow down to any compulsion that might not have any reason behind it. (600) Any irrational force, any irrational threat, any irrational situation, which might force an individual or an institution to bow its head against/ its own wishes and better judgment, is certainly a situation which no self-respecting person or institution can accept./ At the same time, it is necessary that we have to go into this question when we find that in the/ Banaras Hindu University a situation arose which, for a considerable time, made it very difficult for the University to continue/ its normal course and its normal working, and it is here that we have to find out if we cannot (700) improve that situation, not because we have to bow down to threat but because of the situation which has arisen./ because of the passions which are roused because of a particular atmosphere which is now existing in the Banaras Hindu/ University today, I have no knowledge of the present Vice-Chancellor of the Banaras Hindu University excepting what I read/ in the papers and I know that it is not a very safe guide to judge as to whether a/ particular individual is a fit individual to carry out the responsibilities which he has undertaken or not. (800) But I know this much that after he has become the Vice-Chancellor of the University, perhaps because of no fault of his/ own but because of the developments that have taken place, it has become difficult to carry on the normal routine. (840 words)

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Now, Sir, we are entitled, in considering a report of this character, to enquire whether, and if so to what extent, / the objectives which the Bhore Committee had in recommending the establishment of this Institute and which the Parliament had/ in implementing that recommendation by passing a special Act for the constitution of this Institute, have been kept in view, / If you read this report, you will hardly get an idea of the purpose for which this institution was intended / A disappointing feature of the progress so far made is that it has functioned more or less as an institution (100) for the training of under-graduate students. It is precisely this thing that the Bhore Committee did not want it/ to be for. It did not want to be another medical college. But what I note is that the Institute/ has not been able to start post-graduate instruction in most subjects, The reason given is that of lack of/ accommodation and hospital facilities.

Another distressing feature of the report is that post-graduate teaching has to be combined with/ under-graduate teaching. I think we attach importance to the separation of under-graduate teaching from post-graduate teaching. (200) It was intended that there should be special laboratories for post-graduate students. Unfortunately, the report says that post-graduate teaching/ laboratories had to be shared with under-graduate teaching laboratories.

Now, it was not necessary for us to have another/ medical college. With the amount of Rs. 11 crores, we could have established a number of other medical colleges, we/ could have established even post-graduate courses in those colleges. We have the M.Sc. degrees and post-graduate/ diplomas in the post-graduate departments of our Universities which have medical faculties. This was to be a particular type (300) of institution, and I think it is a legitimate criticism to offer that the purpose which was sought to be/ achieved by the establishment of this institution is being lost sight of, is not being kept in view. Then, it/ is disappointing to note that for the post-graduate teaching, there are no students from States, other than the Delhi State, / in the institution. It has been practically a Delhi college, but it was intended that there would be students/ and there would be teachers of medicine who would be coming to this institution from all parts of the country. (400)

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Then, we have been told that there are a number of subjects in which post-graduate instruction is being given. I think that our reputation for medical scholarship cannot be built up in a sound way, unless our research standards equal those of European and other Western countries. I do not say that two years is a good enough time for all these things to be done. But we should have liked to have some indication of the progress made in this direction. It is possible for any one who is working in the Institute, who is doing research, to (500) give some information. But we are entitled to know something more than that. We are entitled to know what is your research, how has that research been received by those who are competent to judge the value of that research, how far is that research of value to the community generally.

Mr. Deputy Chairman, there has been addition to the library and it is heartening to note that residential quarters for the employees of the Institute have been built and that the nurses' home is also ready for occupation. We have in this Institute, I think, a Nursing College, (600) and I would like the hon. Minister, when he replies, to give an indication of the appeal which this Nursing College has made to the women of this country. We want some nurses of the highest professional standards. But I do not know whether we are getting the right type of material in this institution. Then, the Report frankly admits that the construction programme has been painfully slow and for this reason, the post-graduate students admitted to the various departments have yet to be restricted. I think an endeavour should be made to go ahead with this construction programme (700) because the Institute should be made to function in a way in which it was expected to function and as early as possible.

I would like to say one or two words about the teaching staff. The Bhow Committee was of the view that we should recruit our teachers from the world market and that we should have the highest type of teachers in our institutions. Now, a man may be an excellent physician, he may be an excellent working surgeon, but that does not make him, in my view, an excellent professor of medicine or surgery. (800)

From an academic point of view, we want doctors who are devoted to the science of medicine as a science. The Bhow Committee hoped that this would be something like the Medical Faculty of the John Hopkins University which revolutionised the medical science.

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TRANSCRIPTION NO. 416 { accumulation of stocks with the textile mills }

Sir, in this list of the various causes that led to the crisis which the textile industry was facing, only the fourth had anything to do with the September policy. The other three had nothing to do with the policy of the Government but had everything to do with the efficiency of the management of the textile industry as such and their desire to get larger profits even at the risk of inviting consumers resistance and thereby leading to the accumulation of stocks with the industry. Because the Committee has concentrated its attention mainly on the policy of the Government (100) of September, 1986, they have not been able to diagnose more fully the reasons that are/ responsible for the accumulation of stocks and, still more important, they have not been able to give any recommendation regarding/ how the accumulated stocks can be disposed of. Sir, in this report and the various recommendations of the Committee./ there is hardly any mention of this problem, namely, the problem of disposal of the stocks which have accumulated with the/ textile industry. Another reason also has been given regarding the accumulation of stocks with the mills. According to the Committee, (200) the accumulation with the mills is largely due to what they call 'the drying up of the trade channels' because/ the off-take from the mills has dwindled and the accumulation, with the industry, of stocks has increased. At one point, / they make a rather startling statement when they say that if one were to compensate for the decrease of stocks/ with the trade, it would be found that there would be no accumulation of stocks with the industry at all/ which is in excess of the stock normally with the trade. In other words, there is no problem, according to this Committee, (300) of the accumulation of stocks at all. It is merely a question of the distribution of stocks between/ the industry and the trade. If some means could be found whereby the trade can be encouraged to take a/ larger share from the industry, the problem of accumulation would be automatically solved. That particular recommendation deals with larger credit/ facilities to the trade, and it is almost taken for granted by the Committee that if larger credit facilities are/ given, the trade will have a larger off-take from the industry and the problem of accumulation will be solved. (400)

I would submit that in spite of the figures that have been given over there the problem of accumulation of/ stocks remains as serious and as acute as ever because this small shortfall which is now visible in the accumulation/ of stocks is largely due to the decreased production and not increased off-take either by the internal consumers or/ through export. Therefore, the question of accumulated stocks remains as baffling as ever in spite of the investigations of the/ Committee and the recommendations that the Committee has already made and which the Government has already accepted. (500) To my mind, the real problem that the textile industry faces is the problem of these accumulated stocks and that can only be/ solved by finding some way whereby either this stock is sold within the country or outside the country. At one point,/ the report says that a large part of the stock is unwanted and unsalable because it consists of coarse dhoties and sarees which are not required by the market. Consumer preference is for finer varieties and, therefore, this coarse/ stock is lying idle. If that be so, the Government and the trade will have to apply their mind (600) to find out what inducement can be given to the consumers in order to see that somehow or other this stock/ is taken off the hands of the industry. Sir, when we heard about the burning of wheat and potatoes in/ the United States because production there was in excess of the requirements of that country, we were laughing over it here./ When a large number of people of other countries are dying of hunger, it is rather preposterous that these/ stocks should be destroyed in the United States. What is happening in our own country regarding these dhoties and sarees (700) is that, while a large number of people are going without adequate clothing, these stocks are getting deteriorated in the hands of the mills. Therefore, just as we demanded that the stocks of wheat and potatoes in the United States/ should be given to other countries where they are badly needed on certain advantageous conditions, sooner or later, the industry/ and the Government will have to come to the same conclusion regarding this stock which is lying with the industry today./ There is no other way of solving this problem because, as the Committee rightly points out, it is an (800) unwanted stock and it is unsalable stock. This is the finding of the Committee that largely the closure of mills/ is due to bad management, management which purposely allowed the machinery to be deteriorated in order to earn larger profits.

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TRANSCRIPTION NO. 417

{ ^{about} Community Development Blocks }

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Sir, I do not want to give any examples, but I should like to say a word about the agricultural/ programme before I come to close my remarks. Now, it has been said here that while stress has been laid/ on the agricultural programme both in the Community Development and National Extension Service Blocks, yet these Blocks are suffering from/ shortage both of seed and fertilisers. Now Sir, it is surprising that though it is realised in (theory) that our/ Plans can succeed only in proportion as our agricultural programme succeeds, an all-out effort has not been made (100) to provide the Blocks with the means necessary for increasing the yield of agriculture which are so indispensable for agricultural development./ Now, Sir, if we fail even in these Blocks, where else can we hope to succeed? We have our officers/ here who are charged with the task of looking after certain areas and, yet, the result is disappointing. It may be said/ Sir, that Government for no fault of its own is unable to supply these things in adequate quantities./ Then, I suggest, Sir, that the work should be concentrated in smaller areas so that it may yield such results (200) as to make people living in other areas offer their help for their development.

Sir, I shall make no quotations/ because I want to close my remarks very soon. But I should like to refer to the conclusions which have been/ stated in Chapter VI of the Report before us. I said just now, Sir, that if there is shortage/ of seed and fertilisers, then it is obvious that for achieving the best results the work should be concentrated in/ smaller areas. The Report says much the same thing. It says that the study shows that the average Block (300) is 25 per cent larger than the programme's norm in terms of population and that the large Blocks do not have/ proportionately larger personnel and finance. It is on the whole having shorter Blocks. But where the Blocks have to/ be larger in order to fit in with the present administrative divisions, the Committee recommends that the Block personnel and/ finance should be proportionately increased in such cases. Again, Sir, to guard against wastage of effort, the Report recommends that/ the Block should be increased in number only as the supply of personnel, who could work in these Blocks, increases, (400)

The Report very rightly lays stress on this point and says that the status of the Block Development Officer and/ his qualifications should be higher than they are at present. Unless you have this, the checking will not be very reliable./ You appoint a committee to evaluate the work that has been done, but that committee will have to depend/ on the statistics collected by the Block Development Officers and their assistants. And the Committee says that checking on the spot is at present extremely inadequate. Most of the checking is done at the desk of the Block Development Officer (500) and not on the spot in villages. It goes further to say that the figures are known to be satisfied/ by Gram Sevaks sometimes at the instance of certain specialists. I do not want to go on with that story/ further, I have referred to these things in order to show how much effort has to be made in order/ to make our Community Development Blocks and National Extension Service work successfully. We have to concentrate our effort, in view of the/ shortage of indispensable material, for getting that material and for getting men of such status as can be fully trusted by us. (600) Now, Sir, in order to have really a proper organisation and in order to see that the/ officers concerned with these Development Blocks work, I think it is necessary that the Collector should be invited to take/ personal interest in these areas. Relieve the Collector of his other duties and entrust him with the work/ to be done in connection with development, i.e., planning work. This is, at present, far more important than the routine/ administrative work in the States. If you do this, I think you will be able to achieve much greater success (700) than it has been done so far. My hon. friend regarded it as a disadvantage that education, cooperation, transport and communications,/ should all come under the same officer. I personally think, Sir, that it is in the interest of the/ villagers that all these things should be looked to by the same set of officers. And if you have the/ Collector of a District as the head of this organisation in his District and charge him with the special duty/ of seeing that the Community Development and National Extension Service work is carried out in accordance with the programme, (800) I am sure that much better results will be achieved than have been achieved so far.

Sir, I welcome this occasion/ to participate in this debate. Great expectations have been raised in the minds of people with regard to this movement.

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TRANSCRIPTION NO. 418

{ about small-scale industries }

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Sir, we have discussed many times in the past the problems of small industries, but the present is somewhat different/ from the previous occasions. We meet today in a different situation, in a different climate, in very compelling circumstances, where/ the supreme need of the hour seems to be the economic mobilisation of the country to meet a growing and/ mounting emergency. So, Sir, this hour makes a significant impact on any discussion that we undertake. Today, I take it/ we are engaged in transforming an altogether peace-time economy into a war-time economy. This is an occasion when (100) every sector of industry and trade should respond to the mounting and pressing demands of the growing emergency. The seriousness of the situation is that if we fail in the economy, we will also fail in the war effort and/ ultimately in the war itself. Therefore there cannot be, to my mind, any neglect in any aspect of our economy./ Sir, I would like to discuss this motion today in this background of economic mobilisation keeping in view the growing/ and enveloping emergency.

There has been a tendency in the past to over-rate the importance of big industries. (200) Big industries are essential indeed; they are important; we cannot do without them. But in the process of over-rating the/ importance of the big industries or the heavy industries, we are APT to forget the importance of the small industries/ and the role that they have to play in the national economy. Sometimes perhaps our friends may take it that/ small scale industries are not of much consequence, and if that thinking were still to persist in our minds, I must say it is very dangerous indeed and we should avoid it. Sir, to me, small scale industries can play (300) a very far-reaching role in placing the economy of the country on an even level, whether in peace time/ or in war time, and the Government and the various agencies that are set up by the Government should provide proper facilities/ and create the conditions necessary for their growth. But what do we find today? What is the picture of small-scale/ industries in India? I am afraid I have to be a bit critical of the state of affairs/ in spite of the fact that some steps have been taken to repair the damage that was caused in the past. (400)

There have been, in the past, a variety of conferences and seminars and enquiries, and there has been a voluminous material built up, and also I admit that the Ministry has shown all along boundless sympathy to small entrepreneurs/ but, unfortunately, the fact remains that small-scale industries have not advanced even at the rate of the overall growth of/ the economy. This point has been missed on more than one occasion by Government. May I say in this connection/ that in 1960 the proportionate share contributed by the small-scale and cottage industries to the (500) national income was ten per cent whereas the corresponding figure in 1980 was only eight per cent?/ This means the small-scale sector has not kept pace with the general growth of the economy; it has yet/ to develop the momentum needed for a successful take-off.

Sir, the Report of the Organisational Committee for Small-scale Industries submitted in January, 1982, contains certain recommendations, but I am afraid these recommendations do not/ go far. Perhaps the enquiry made by the Committee was very narrow and limited. Perhaps, it was meant to review (600) mainly the functioning of the various agencies operating in this field. No doubt, I must admit that whatever the recommendations/ they have made are worth while though in certain instances, I must say, they are very vague. But most of/ the recommendations refer to administrative and organisational matters and they do not touch the fundamental problems facing the industry./

Sir, before I deal with the fundamental problems, I would like to dilate upon a few recommendations for a while and/ point out how important even they are for the growth and expansion of the small sector. (700) One important recommendation made is that each State should have an advisory committee to co-ordinate the activities of the Centre and the States./ In the past, there was no machinery to bring about such a co-ordination and demarcation of functions. Perhaps this lacuna will/ be filled up by setting up these advisory committees in the various States.

They have also made a recommendation that/ each State should have a Small Industries Corporation. One of the important functions of the Corporation would be to regulate/ the supply of raw materials. As you know, one of the biggest problems of the small industries is that (800) they do not get raw material, and even if they get it, they do not get it in time, in adequate/ quantities and at reasonable prices and there is no assurance that the supply of raw material will be maintained regularly.

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