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 Sudheeran, Shri V. M. (Alleppey)
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 Suryanarayana, Shri K. (Eluru)
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Talwandi, Shri Jagdev Singh (Ludhiana)
 Tan Singh, Shri (Barmer)
 Tej Pratap Singh, Shri (Hamirpur)
 Thakre, Shri Kushabhau (Khandwa)
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Yadav, Shri Narsingh (Chandauli)
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Monday, August 20, 1979/Sravana 29,
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The Lok Sabha met at Eleven of the
Clock

[MR SPEAKER in the Chair]

(Interruptions)

MR SPEAKER Order order There
are obituary references

OBITUARY REFERENCES

MR SPEAKER Hon'ble Members, as we meet today after an interval of only a few weeks, it is with profound sorrow that I have to inform the House of the passing away of three of our colleagues Sarvashri Mohan Singh Tur, Mangal Deo, V P Naik, and one former Member, Shri Priya Gupta

Shri Mohan Singh Tur was elected to Lok Sabha in 1977 from Taran Taran constituency of Punjab. Before coming to this House he was a Member of the Punjab Legislative Assembly from 1967 to 1971. He was also earlier Minister of Irrigation and Religious Endowments in Punjab Government

A devoted social worker, he worked for the rehabilitation of refugees after partition. He was Vice-President, Akali Dal from 1960 to 1972 and became its President thereafter.

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He led an agitation for Punjabi Suba in 1960 and suffered imprisonment. He also suffered imprisonment during the period of emergency

He was a Member of the Rules Committee of this House for 1977-78

Shri Tur passed away at Chandigarh on 30th July 1979 at the age of 63

Shri Mangal Deo was a Member of this House from Akbarpur constituency of Uttar Pradesh. Earlier, he had been a Member of the Uttar Pradesh Legislative Assembly from 1962 to 1967. He also served as a Cabinet Minister in the Uttar Pradesh Government in 1967

An active social worker, he was a Member of Zila Parishad, Azamgarh from 1948 to 1967 and served there as Chairman, Education and Health. He was also Chairman of "Bhoomi Vyavastha Janch Samiti" of Uttar Pradesh

An active parliamentarian deeply interested in the welfare of Scheduled Castes, he was a Member of the Harijan and Social Welfare Board for many years

Shri Mangal Deo passed away at Lucknow on the 30th July, 1979 at the age of 58

Shri V P Naik was a Member of this House from Washim constituency of Maharashtra. Earlier, he was a Member of the Madhya Pradesh Legislative Assembly, Bombay Legislative Assembly and Maharashtra Legislative Assembly from 1952 to 1977.

An agriculturist and social worker, he started his career as a lawyer. He entered politics in 1946 when he be-

came President of the Pusad Municipal Council in his home town. In 1952 he was elected to the Madhya Pradesh Legislative Assembly and was appointed Deputy Minister for Revenue. In 1957, he became Minister for Co-operation, and later, of Agriculture in the Bombay Government. In 1960, he became Minister of Revenue in Maharashtra Government and held that office till 1963 when he became the Chief Minister of that State and held that office till 1975. He established Panchayati Raj system in Maharashtra and also introduced the employment guarantee scheme to mitigate the hardships of unemployed in the State.

An able administrator, he held various offices with distinction.

An active parliamentarian, he took keen interest in the proceedings of the House and always championed the cause of the peasants and the landless and weaker sections of the people. He devoted himself whole-heartedly to the work of rural uplift and development. He was a widely travelled person.

Shri Naik passed away at Singapore on the 18th August, 1979 at the age of 66. In his death, the country has lost an able administrator and a seasoned politician.

Shri Priya Gupta was a Member of the Third Lok Sabha from 1962 to 1967 representing Katihar constituency of Bihar.

A veteran trade unionist, he was closely associated with trade unions of Railway employees in various capacities as General Secretary of the Assam Railway Labour Association, Joint General Secretary of the Bengal Assam Employees Association, General Secretary and later Vice-President of the North-Eastern Railway Mazdoor Union and General Secretary, North-East Frontier Railway Mazdoor Union. He

was President of the All India Railwaysmen's Federation at the time of his death.

An active parliamentarian, he evinced keen interest in the proceedings of the House and always championed the cause of industrial and railway workers. Shri Gupta passed away at Dibrugarh, Assam on the 12th August, 1979 at the age of 58.

We deeply mourn the loss of these friends and I am sure, the House will join me in conveying our condolences to the bereaved families.

The Members then stood in silence for a short while.

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA (Delhi Sadar): On a point of order.

MR. SPEAKER: Shri Barnala wanted to say something on the obituary references. Let it be over first.

SHRI SURJIT SINGH BARNALA (Sangrur): Mr Speaker, Sir, on behalf of the Akali Parliamentary Party I join you in paying homage to the departed friends.

Sardar Mohan Singh Tur was a valiant freedom fighter. He was the champion of the cause of the down-trodden and poor people. He had inherited these qualities from his father, Sardar Jagat Singh, who himself was a great freedom fighter and who in 1922 led a Jatha of 500 Akali volunteers known as Shaheedi Jatha to Jaitu morcha and this Jatha was fired upon and many of the volunteers had died. He himself was wounded in that firing. Pandit Jawahar Lal Nehru also visited Jaitu to see how the morcha was going on and he was arrested there and detained in the Nabha jail for some time.

Even after independence, Jathedur Mohan Singh Tur courted arrest and he was imprisoned ten times. And it

was from the prison that he fought first election against Shri Partap Singh Kairon who was then the Chief Minister of Punjab. Shri Partap Singh Kairon was declared elected by 34 votes against Sardar Mohan Singh Tur at that time. Since 1967 Sardar Mohan Singh Tur was constantly a Member of the Punjab State Legislative Assembly and was also for some time Minister in the Punjab Government. He was President of the Akhil Dal for five years and in 1974 he launched a march against suppression of civil liberties in Haryana where Jethedar Tur and Sardar Parkash Singh Badal had been arrested while addressing a public meeting organised by the opposition parties. Shri Tur led a deputation a big Jatha of one thousand persons and was arrested there. Many national leaders joined in that march known as Karnal march. Even Acharya Kripalani Ji went to Karnal in that march and was detained there for some time. Within a week that march ended in success. In Emergency also Sardar Mohan Singh Tur was assigned the duty to carry on the march against emergency. And for a long time he organised the march and 43,000 volunteers courted arrest during Emergency under his guidance and leadership. For 10 months he was in jail also during Emergency and he had his first heart attack in jail itself. But he declined to come out on parole. He was treated in the jail. And now again he had suffered 3 successive heart attacks and died at Chandigarh.

He was a thorough, religious man and was elevated to the post of High Priest Akal Takhat Sahib which is the highest seat of authority for the Sikhs. For some time he was the Head Priest also. He was a kind-hearted man and I would say that India has lost a saint-soldier in his death.

We pray to God that the departed souls may rest in peace.

11.11 hrs

ANNOUNCEMENT RE LETTER FROM THE PRIME MINISTER ABOUT HIS RESIGNATION AND THAT OF HIS COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

MR SPEAKER I have a letter from the Prime Minister saying "I have submitted my resignation and that of my Council of Ministers to the President" (Interruptions)

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA (Delhi Sardar) I want to rise on a point of order (Interruptions) My point of order is that the master defector has run away without facing this House

MR SPEAKER What is your point of order? Are you on a point of order?

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA I am on a point of order. My point of order is

DR SI BRAMANIAM SWAMY (Bombay North East) Charan Singh has defected from Parliament

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA My point of order is that the master defector (Interruptions) Chaudhri Charan Singh has gone away (Interruptions) He has run away, and he did not dare to face this House (Interruptions)

PROF P G MAVALANKAR (Gandhinagar) Mr Speaker Sir I am on a point of order (Interruptions)

MR SPEAKER What is your point of order?

PROF P G MAVALANKAR While I am standing where I am and I am bound to accept (Interruptions) your rulings on all matters, including the allotment of seats after the changed atmosphere in the House I want to start by saying that I am very displeased at your placing me here, because I am more on that side than on this side (Interruptions) I should have been put on a bench on that side,

not on this side. But because I am always obliged to listen to your advice and go by your rulings, I am accepting your choice of my seat here. I am not with this party and Government at all. (Interruptions).

MR. SPEAKER: That is not a point of order.

PROF. P. G. MAVALANKAR: Now, my point of order is this, having said that, The Lok Sabha Secretariat, under your guidance and direction, has issued 2 Lists of Business....(Interruptions).

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BOSU rose—

MR. SPEAKER: Prof. Mavalankar, will you come to that?

PROF. P. G. MAVALANKAR: Let me complete my point. My point is this: There is a cyclostyled original List of Business, and a printed List of Revised Business also.

MR. SPEAKER: You are referring to some old things.

PROF. P. G. MAVALANKAR: No, no, not old things. We, as Members of this House take note of things happening only on the floor of the House, not the newspaper reports. We are not bothered about what appears in the newspapers, and what happens at Rashtrapati Bhavan and Cabinet meetings. We are bothered about what happens on the floor of the House. And I want them to tell us, under what rule this had happened, when the Government was supposed to face the House. They are supposed to face Parliament. (Interruptions).

SHRI C. M. STEPHEN (Idukki): Sir, I rise on a point of order. (Interruptions).

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BOSU (Diamond Harbour): I want to know what is the order of the business now and what is the sitting arrangement?

(Interruptions)

SHRI C. M. STEPHEN: I rise on a point of order. Now you have read out to us....(Interruptions).

MR. SPEAKER: I cannot adjourn the House unless the President's order is there. . . . (Interruptions).

SHRI C. M. STEPHEN: I rise on a point of order. You had just now read out to us a letter from the Prime Minister. I am raising my objection to the conduct of the Prime Minister as also your announcement that he has resigned. (Interruptions) The Prime Minister's resignation, we are told, has got to be given to the President and the President has got to announce the acceptance of the resignation. Nothing of that sort has occurred. It is unheard of that the Prime Minister writes to the Speaker saying that he has resigned.

MR. SPEAKER: I have nothing to do with it.

SHRI C. M. STEPHEN: The Speaker is not the authority to whom the Prime Minister has got to send the communication. The communication has got

(Interruptions). We have not heard anything from the President so far. (Interruptions). Until the President accepts the resignation, the Prime Minister continues to be the Prime Minister. Sir, this House has been called to consider a motion which stands in the name of the Prime Minister. (Interruptions). Until the resignation is accepted by the President and a communication issued to that effect, the Prime Minister will have to move his motion before the House.

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BOSU: He is no longer the Prime Minister. (Interruptions).

SHRI C. M. STEPHEN: For 38 days, he has been occupying that Chair. (Interruptions). All these persons who are sitting there are illegally occupying their places there. (Interruptions). They have got to account to the House for their conduct for a period of

28 days what they have done with what result to the country, what they have done with the powers that they are exercising. They have been exercising power without legal sanction. (*Interruptions*) Some of them are fleeing from the House. Therefore, the House has got to consider either the Confidence Motion or the No Confidence Motion which has been given notice of by Mr. Kanwar Lal Gupta. There is no escape from it at all. The House has got the right to review the conduct of a Minister. The House has got the right to review how the affairs of the nation are being run. Merely because the cowards are running away, we cannot allow those cowards to flee away from the House. They will have to come back and face the House. Therefore, my point of order is that the proceedings of the House, as notified by you, must start, and if the Prime Minister fails to move a motion, a No Confidence Motion must be moved so that we can discuss this matter in the House. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BOSU: I am on a point of order.

MR. SPEAKER: I have heard the point of order.

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BOSU: Under rule 199.

(*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER: Until the President accepts the resignation, I cannot adjourn the House. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR (Balia): Mr. Speaker, I have a suggestion to make. The Prime Minister has sent a letter to you saying that he has resigned.

It is true that you have not got any communication from the President's House to the effect that the resignation has been accepted. So, the House cannot proceed with any business of the House, except indulging in mutual acrimony.

My request will be that as the Treasury Benches are put in a very awkward situation, we should not create a more awkward situation in the House. My request to you will be that the House and the Chair should come to their help and the House may be adjourned till 1 O'clock or 2 O'clock. By that time I think the President's communication will come. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI VASANT SATHE (Akola): I am on a point of order. (*Interruptions*)

Once the House is summoned, the House is the master. We are the masters. We should proceed with the proceedings. If they do not seek the vote of confidence, we have a right to move the no confidence vote; it has already been tabled. That is the only thing that can be done by the House. If they do not choose to move the confidence motion, in the absence of a communication from the President, there is the right to move the no confidence motion; it is moved already; that notice has been given. That should be taken up. That is the only thing that can be done. You cannot adjourn the House. The House is the master now. Nobody can adjourn it.

SHRI JAGJIVAN RAM (Sasaram): I was going to suggest that placed as we are in an awkward position, I shall recommend for your consideration and also for the consideration of my friends in the Treasury Benches that the House may adjourn for sometime and then we meet again at 1 or 2 O'clock.

AN HON. MEMBER: Once the Prime Minister has resigned, the confidence motion lapses, automatically. (*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER: I do not think that regular business can be carried on in the House. The House stands adjourned till 2 O'clock.

11.25 hrs.

The Lok Sabha then adjourned till Fourteen of the Clock.

The Lok Sabha reassembled at Fourteen of the Clock.

[MR. SPEAKER in the Chair]

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

(i) LETTER OF RESIGNATION BY THE PRIME MINISTER AND HIS COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

(ii) LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT ACCEPTING RESIGNATION OF THE PRIME MINISTER AND HIS COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

SECRETARY I lay on the Table a copy each of the following papers -

(1) Letter dated the 20th August 1979 from the Prime Minister to the President tendering his resignation and that of his Council of Ministers

(2) Letter dated the 20th August, 1979 from the President to the Prime Minister accepting his resignation and that of his Council of Ministers and requesting him and his colleagues to continue in Office till other arrangements are made

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MR SPEAKER In view of the President's communication the House stands adjourned *sine die*

14 02 hrs

The Lok Sabha then adjourned *sine die*

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