

Title: Regarding distortion of historical facts in history textbooks prepared by NCERT.

SHRI SURESH KURUP (KOTTAYAM): Sir, I would like to raise an important matter. It is quite distressing to raise it repeatedly in the House while the Government bulldozes forward by tilting the historical facts in favour of *Sangh Parivar*. I am mentioning about the newly prepared history textbooks of NCERT. They are full of untruth and half truth. While Vaikunth is a beautiful

mythological concept of our country, it is interpreted in the history textbooks as a historical fact. While mentioning about Mahatma Gandhi, these textbooks do not mention about his assassination or about his assassin.

Sir, Hitler is personified. In the name of history, the untruth and the half truth are combined there. Our young generation should learn scientifically. They should have a scientific mind. But all this is thrown away.

So, the Government should come forward with an explanation as to who prepared this text and who authorised them to prepare this text. Sir, never in this country, Mahatma Gandhi was being neglected like this. Can you mention about Mahatma Gandhi without mentioning about his assassination, without mentioning about his gruesome murder and without mentioning about his assassin? Sir, nothing is found in these history textbooks...*(Interruptions)*

SHRI KHARABELA SWAIN (BALASORE): Is it compulsory to mention about Nathuram Godse?...*(Interruptions)*

SHRI SURESH KURUP : So, these textbooks should be withdrawn. The Government should come forward with an explanation in this House.

SHRI VARKALA RADHAKRISHNAN (CHIRAYINKIL): Sir, I also associate myself with him. Yesterday also I mentioned about Hitler.

MR. SPEAKER: All right. Your name will be associated.

...*(Interruptions)*

SHRI PRABODH PANDA (MIDNAPORE) : Sir, my name may also be associated with the views expressed by Shri Suruesh Kurup.

MR. SPEAKER: Yes, your name will also be associated.

Now, Shri Ramchandra Paswan.

...*(Interruptions)*

SHRI VARKALA RADHAKRISHNAN : Sir, yesterday also I brought it to the notice of this august House that there is a report to the effect that Hitler, as the founder of the Nazist Party, is characterised as a great man of

socialism and nationalism in those textbooks. But not a word is mentioned about the millions of Jews who were massacred...*(Interruptions)* It is very unfortunate...*(Interruptions)*

MR. SPEAKER: Shri Varkala Radhakrishnan, please take your seat.