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Title: Regarding reported frisking of the former Defence Minister in United States of America.

MR. SPEAKER: I am sure that this matter is being looked into seriously. Now, Shri Lakshman Seth. Please speak to the point.

...(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: I have allowed him to speak, and he is raising a very important matter before us.

...(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: I am sure the Government has assured it.

...(Interruptions)

SHRI LAKSHMAN SETH (TAMLUK): Mr. Speaker, Sir, the former Defence Minister Shri George Fernandes was stripped and searched twice by the officials at the Washington's Dallas airport in 2002 and 2003 respectively. This incident has completely demolished the prestige of our country. But it is a mystery to everyone as to why he did not disclose this incident to the nation. He did not disclose about an incident, which is a humiliation to this nation. It is an insult to the people of our country, and it is a slap to the national sovereignty. ...(Interruptions) So, I think the Government of India should condemn this incident and warn the United States Government to maintain proper cultural and diplomatic relationship with our country. ...(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: Now, everybody wants to speak on this issue. Please allow him to speak.

...(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: I have already stated that I will not call those persons who interrupt the proceedings of the House.

SHRI LAKSHMAN SETH : This uncultured behaviour of the United States Government is very much painful and the people of our country should stand by our national prestige and national sovereignty. ...(Interruptions)

So, I would request that the Government of India should condemn this sort of an incident and warn the Government of USA not to repeat such an incident. The Government of India should also ask U.S to pack-up the FBI offices from our country. ...(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: Please associate yourself with the issue that was raised by Shri Lakshman Seth.

SHRI SUNIL KHAN (DURGAPUR): Sir, I associate.

SHRI HANNAN MOLLAH : Mr. Speaker, Sir, Mr. Richard Armitage should also be stripped and searched at the airport. ...(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: This is very unfortunate.

...(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: What are you doing? Shri Hannan Mollah, please take your seat.

...(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: Shri Lakshman Seth, please sit down. You must sit down.

...(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: Shri Devendra Prasad Yadav, please speak, and please be brief.

...(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: Will everybody speak for five minutes on the same issue to be raised? No.

...(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: They are all similar notices, so you all just associate yourselves with the issue that has been raised.

...(Interruptions)

**श्री देवेन्द्र प्रसाद यादव** : अध्यक्ष जी, जार्ज साहब कई बर 2002 और 2003 में निर्वस्त्र करके अमरीका के एक अधिकारी ने डालस एयरपोर्ट पर तलाशी ली। अमरीका के अधिकारी ने कहां-कहां हाथ लगाया, किस तरह से उनको निर्वस्त्र किया गया। (व्यवधान) यह राष्ट्रीय स्वाभिमान का सवाल है। इसलिए हम चाहते हैं कि सरकार इस पर एक वक्तव्य दे। (व्यवधान) एनडीए के तत्कालीन प्रधान मंत्री जी को माननीय जार्ज साहब ने इस आशय की सूचना दी और माननीय प्रधान मंत्री जी चुप लगा गये। (व्यवधान) देश को इस बारे में जानने का पूरा अधिकार है, यह देश के स्वाभिमान का सवाल है।

MR. SPEAKER: Will you sit down, Mr. Laxman Seth?

**श्री देवेन्द्र प्रसाद यादव** : तत्कालीन सरकार कहती रही कि हम देश के स्वाभिमान को ऊपर उठा रहे हैं, विदेश में भारत का बोलबाला है। इस घटना से देश के स्वाभिमान का क्या हुआ? इस घटना से देश की 100 करोड़ जनता का अपमान हुआ है। सरकार एक वक्तव्य देकर स्थिति को स्पष्ट करे। (व्यवधान) सरकार देश को बताए कि इस मामले से देश की जनता को अनभिज्ञ क्यों रखा गया। (व्यवधान)

MR. SPEAKER: I will not allow anybody. I have called Shri Ram Kripal Yadav.

**श्री प्रमुनाथ सिंह** : अध्यक्ष जी, हमें भी बोलने का मौका दीजिए। पार्टी का सवाल है।

अध्यक्ष महोदय : आप इस तरह से बीच में नहीं बोल सकते हैं। Shri Ram Kripal Yadav will speak and nobody else. Prabhunathji, please sit down.

(व्यवधान)

**श्री राम कृपाल यादव** : अध्यक्ष जी, आजादी के बाद से आज तक देश के रक्षा मंत्री के साथ इस तरह की बात कभी नहीं हुई। (व्यवधान)

MR. SPEAKER: Please be quiet. Please listen to this matter. Let Members speak. If everybody is shouting, nothing is going on record. We are not showing responsible behaviour. I can tell you, nobody can browbeat me. Do not try to browbeat me.

**श्री राम कृपाल यादव** : इस घटना से देश की 100 करोड़ जनता का अपमान हुआ है। तत्कालीन प्रधान मंत्री जी को कहा गया और वे चुपचाप बैठे रहे। (व्यवधान) अमरीकी विदेश मंत्री स्ट्रोब तालबोट ने इसका खुलासा किया है, उनके माध्यम से यह प्रकाशित हुआ है। तत्कालीन रक्षा मंत्री जार्ज फर्नांडीस जी के साथ जो दूसरे भारतीय अधिकारी थे उनके साथ ऐसा नहीं किया गया। एनडीए सरकार में प्रधान मंत्री श्री वाजपेयी ने इस बात पर चुप्पी साध कर देश को अपमानित करने का काम किया है। सरकार इस पर वक्तव्य दे। (व्यवधान)

MR. SPEAKER: Now, Shri Gurudas Dasgupta. He has also given notice. Except Shri Gurudas Dasgupta, nothing else will go on record.

...(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: Shri Dasgupta, please be very brief. I am only requesting you to associate. No long speeches are necessary.

...(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: Nothing is being recorded after I called Shri Dasgupta. Nothing else is being recorded. Why are you speaking? You can only create disturbance here.

(Interruptions) (व्यवधान)\*

MR. SPEAKER: Except Shri Dasgupta nothing else will be recorded. Shri Athawale, please rest assured, I will not allow you.

SHRI GURUDAS DASGUPTA (PANSKURA): Mr. Speaker, Sir, the question is very important. The Defence Minister of a great country like India, the largest democracy in the world ... (Interruptions)

**श्री संतोष गंगवार (बरेली)** : बड़े दुःख की बात है कि यहां पर ऐसी बातें हो रही हैं। क्या इस पर इस तरह से बहस होगी। (व्यवधान)

\*Not Recorded.

**श्री शिवराज सिंह चौहान** : अध्यक्ष जी, क्या इस पर आप यहां बहस करा रहे हैं। (व्यवधान)

MR. SPEAKER: I have asked him just to associate. Please, just associate. You cannot make a long speech. Then, I have to change the entire procedure.

...(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: Kindly take your seat.

...(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: I have received two Privilege notices.

...(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: Please sit down. One is by Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan. I have received your notice of question of privilege against the Minister of External Affairs for allegedly misleading the House on the issue of sending Indian troops to Iraq. The matter is under my consideration.

Shri P.C. Thomas has also given a notice of privilege. The comments of the Minister of Agriculture on your notice of question of privilege have since been received. The matter is under my consideration.

Now, we come to Railway Budget. Shri Lalu Prasad.

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