

Fourteenth Loksabha**Session : 10****Date : 15-05-2007****Participants : Dasgupta Shri Gurudas, Fernandes Shri Oscar, Acharia Shri Basudeb**

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Title: Regarding reported sacking of a large number of employees and Sales Managers by M/s Bata in violation of labour laws.

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SHRI GURUDAS DASGUPTA (PANSKURA): Sir, with your kind permission, I raise an urgent matter of public importance, *i.e.*, the way in which the workers of the country are being distressed, exploited and terminated by foreign multinational companies.

MR. SPEAKER: If this relates to a State matter, I will not allow this.

SHRI GURUDAS DASGUPTA : Sir, the point is in Bata International, 700 workers have been retrenched without charge sheet... (*Interruptions*)

श्री देवेन्द्र प्रसाद यादव (झंझारपुर) : अध्यक्ष महोदय, हमारा राष्ट्रीय महत्व का विषय है।... (ब्यवधान)

MR. SPEAKER: I do not know. Please come and sit here. You organize the House.

SHRI GURUDAS DASGUPTA : When the management was approached, they said that you go to the court. What does it mean? Going to the court means a costly affair. Seven hundred workers have been thrown out of jobs in different parts of the country.

MR. SPEAKER: What can the Central Government do? Tell me that.

SHRI GURUDAS DASGUPTA : Sir, the policy of liberalization is being misunderstood by the foreign employers that they can do whatever they like in India. [\[R20\]](#)

Sir, I would appeal to the Government to bring these Multi-national companies to sense and restore the job of 700 workers of the country. I wish the entire House joins me on this issue. There is no chargesheet at all. The hon. Minister is present here and I would like him to respond on this issue.

SHRI BASU DEB ACHARIA (BANKURA): Sir, I associate with him.

प्रो. राम गोपाल यादव (सम्भल) : अध्यक्ष महोदय, श्री दासगुप्ता ने जो मामला उठाया है, मैं अपने को उससे सम्बद्ध करता हूँ।

SHRI GURUDAS DASGUPTA : Sir, the hon. Minister is responding.

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES): Sir, the matter pertains to the State Government, but whatever we can do to help, we can do that.

