

12.47 hrs.

ESTATE DUTY (AMENDMENT)  
BILL-CONTD.

MR. SPEAKER : Now, we take up the Estate Duty (Amendment) Bill. I will put the Bill to the vote of the House. The question before the House is .. कल शाम रह गया था, कोरम के अभाव में...।

श्री सतीश अग्रवाल (जयपुर) : आप गवर्न-मेंट को कहिए न कि साढ़े चार घण्टे की बहस के बाद भी कोरम क्यों नहीं करवा सके।

अध्यक्ष महोदय : आपने तो कह दिया।

MR. SPEAKER : The question is ;

“That the Bill be passed.

*The motion was adopted.*

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA (Basirhat) : Sir, we would request you kindly to look into one thing in this debate. I was told by one hon. Member that some mention was made of the names of some of the big land owners and landlords and it was ordered to be expunged from the proceedings.

MR. SPEAKER : Look here. I will see. But I don't think we can allow anything which can go against anybody personally here.

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA : Please look into it. It is not an allegation. It is simply stating that these are some of the land owners.

MR. SPEAKER : They can write it to the Ministry and they can refer it to the State Ministry.

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA : Why should it be expunged ?

12.49 hrs.

DISCUSSION RE : WHITE PAPER ON  
PUNJAB AGITATION-CONTD.

MR. SPEAKER : Now, we take up further consideration on the motion moved by Shri P.V. Narasimha Rao.

SHRI RAJIV GANDHI (Amethi) : Mr. Speaker, Sir, for two days we have been discussing the White Paper on the Punjab Agitation. I had hoped that this would lead to a very high level discussion well above party-politics. On this type of issue, we need to look at the real problem that has led to such a situation and crisis. Unfortunately, our colleagues from the Opposition have restricted themselves to a very low level and tried to get political gain out of it.

(Interruptions)

SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE (New Delhi) : Is this very high level ? It is not high level.

श्री राजीव गांधी : जब आप बोल चुकेंगे तो मैं बोलूंगा, वाजपेयी जी।

(व्यवधान)

अगर आप खत्म कर लें तो मैं कन्टीन्यू करूँ।

Thank you very much.

श्री अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी : अध्यक्ष जी, फिर यह कहा जाएगा कि विरोधी दल वाले अंग्रेजी नहीं जानते।

SHRI RAJIV GANDHI : The Sikh involvement in India since our Independence has been beyond their numbers. Their contribution to our development has been very substantial. They have raised Punjab from a very Pathetic State in 1947 just after the riots to a prosperous and one of our leading States. This has happened because they are hard-working and they have initiative. But this could not have happened without the correct policies of