

dering Punjab in its isolated state, the issue is much wider than just Punjab. It is an issue of India.

(*व्यवधान*)

अध्यक्ष महोदय : आपको भी अपनी बात कहने का अधिकार है।

SHRI SATYASADHAN CHAKRABORTY : In that case do you allow us to discuss the recruitment of lumpen elements in U.P. and the other States where Congress (I) is in power ?

(*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER : आप अगर कोई रिजोल्यूशन लायेंगे तो मुझे कोई ऐतराज नहीं होगा।

I can only say one thing : that communalism is the greatest virus in this country. Anyone who thinks in terms of a communalism, he is not perfectly sane, I may tell you. किसी को गाली देना सबसे बड़ी बात है।

We can all get together to discuss this problem and do something positively and collectively. That is what the nation demands.

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA : The only exception is in Maharashtra Legislative Council. Please tell them that.

MR. SPEAKER : I can tell them, anywhere, from the top of Qutub Minar that communalism is the worst enemy of this country.

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA : Let us now talk of Maharashtra instead of Bengal.

SHRI RAJIV GANDHI : The point is that the forces that have raised circle heads had their seeds sown between 1977 and 1980. That is the major problem and that is what has hurt them most. The seeds that were sown then in Assam, the seeds that were sown then in Punjab, had to

be controlled now. That is the problem. And it is this communal, regional, linguistic caste politics carried on by the Opposition which is going to ruin this country. It is only...

(*Interruptions*)

SHRI KATANSINH RAJDA : I do not intervene generally. But I cannot allow this allegation to go unchallenged. He says that the seeds were sown during the Janata regime. These are all baseless statements.

(*Interruptions*)

We tackled that problem very efficiently. They could not open their mouths because Mr. Morarji Desai became the Prime Minister.

SHRI RAJIV GANDHI : It is this type of politics that is raising these ugly heads in our country. It is these that we must finish.

AN HON. MEMBER : How are you having coalition in Kerala ?

SHRI RAJIV GANDHI : If there are mistakes on our side, we must correct them also.

SHRI A. K. BALAN (Ottapalam) : You will dismiss the Kerala Government now ?

SHRI RAJIV GANDHI : Now he is talking about Kerala Government.

SHRI A. K. BALAN : ...

(*Interruptions*)*

MR. SPEAKER : Please do not record whatever he says. Do not record anything without permission. That is a standing order.

SHRI RAJIV GANDHI : The factors must be removed from our politics, on all sides.

MR. SPEAKER : Let us make it now.

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SHRI RAJIV GANDHI : There can be regional demands, there can be group demands. They must be raised, they must be voiced. And in a democracy they can sometimes go beyond what we actually started of asking. But that is where leadership comes. That is where you must control your people. You must see that your demands do not transgress on the liberty of others; on the freedom of others. That is where you have not been able to control the Akali Dal. This is where it has gone out of your hands. This is where it has gone out on the Akali Dal's hands, (*Interruptions*) And because of your allowing this to happen and in fact you being a party to it because you kept talking to them and saying यह भी हो जायगा, वह भी हो जायगा। that the Akali Dal's demands became so. (*Interruptions*) For the first time in our country since independence we have seen a movement which is based on religion, terrorism and secessionism. And it has come about because of your support to the Akali Dal. (*Interruptions*) We have to understand what we have to do. It is no use exchanging charges across the floor of this House remember that this sort of thing is going to disintegrate the country...

AN HON-MEMBER : What have you done in Jammu & Kashmir ?

SHRI RAJIV GANDHI : Jammu & Kashmir we will discuss tomorrow or the day after. You will know exactly what we have done and what you have done, and that is what will embarrass you.

This is the first time in 37 years that organised violence has escalated and become terrorism. And it is time we put our heads together and try to finish this. It is no use the opposition trying to get political mileage out of it just because we are a few months from elections. We have to sit together, think together and come to some positive conclusions as to how to finish these things and how to hold the country together. The Congress today is the only party which cuts across all these barriers. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI SATYASADHAN CHAKRABORTY : Which combines all these forces,

SHRI RAJIV GANDHI : I knew my CPM friends would get up on this because they also feel that they do stand for such issues. But there is a major difference. The difference is whereas the Congress blends every region, every religion, every language into one body, the Communists try to brainwash them all into one alignment.

SHRI SATYASADHAN CHAKRABORTY : I agree. We want to unite all the oppressed people irrespective of caste and religion to fight against exploitation.

SHRI RAJIV GANDHI : If I can digress from the subject for one second, how do you say that you have people of all religions in the Communist Party and then are still Communists? (*Interruptions*) How can you have people of different religions within your Party then? This is the whole point. The point is that the Congress is the only party which cuts across all these barriers and holds everybody together. Fifty per cent or more of the people who are sitting in opposition are those who could not swallow these policies and left the Congress. What the opposition must realise is that they are here to oppose the Congress and to oppose the Government if they so wish. they are not here to oppose India which is what they are doing here today.

SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE : We are opposing Indira not India, and Indira is not India.

MR. SPEAKER : Shri Harikesh Bahadur.

AN HON'BLE MEMBER : Are we not adjourning for lunch, Sir.

MR. SPEAKER : After his explanation, We will adjourn for lunch. We are not going to conclude the debate, we will start it after six.

SHRI CHANDRAJIT YADAV : I have to catch the train at 3.30, Sir.

SHRI BUTA SINGH : So, Sir, he can start at 3, O'clock and finish by 3.30.

MR. SPEAKER : We shall assemble at 2.45.

श्री अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी : क्या गृह मंत्री अभी भी जवाब देना चाहेंगे ?

गृह मंत्री (श्री पी० वी० नरसिंह राव) : मैंने कह दिया है कि जब मुझे बुलाया जायेगा, मैं जवाब देने को तैयार हूँ।

अध्यक्ष महोदय : आपका टाइम रल्लेंगे, बाद में चलायेंगे।

श्री पी० वी० नरसिंह राव : दूसरा जो सवाल है, उसका जवाब मेरे पास नहीं है।

श्री सतीश अग्रवाल : लंच अवर कीजिये।

अध्यक्ष महोदय : लंच अवर अभी करते हैं।

13.53 hrs.

**PERSONAL EXPLANATION BY
MEMBER**

MR. SPEAKER : Now personal explanation by Shri Harikesh Bahadur.

SHRI HARIKESH BAHADUR : (Gorakhpur) Sir, I rise on a point of personal explanation. When the Prime Minister was intervening during the debate on the White Paper on Punjab, she said, "I am concerned with the demand that was not discussed, which is the Anandpur Sahib Resolution. The Opposition Parties were not able to convince me that the Akali Dal had given up the Resolution entirely". I immediately remarked, "Why should they do it?" because I feel that Opposition is not the spokesman of Akalis or the Government. Therefore, it is not the responsibility of Opposition to convince the Prime Minister about the plan's and designs of Akali Dal. But, Sir, the Prime Minister said about my remark, "Now he is saying 'Why should they give it up. Please see the significance of that...'" Sir it appears that Prime Minister said something which I did not speak. I have never supported the Anandpur Sahib Resolution, nor do I intend to support it.

MR. SPEAKER : Now lunch break till 2.45 p. m.

13.54 hrs.

The Lok Sabha then adjourned for lunch till forty five minutes past Fourteen of the Clock

The Lok Sabha re-assembled after Lunch at fifty minutes past Fourteen of the Clock

(MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER in the Chair)

**DISCUSSION RE : WHITE PAPER
ON PUNJAB AGITATION -Contd.**

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Now we go upto 3.30. Then we have the Private Members business today. This debate will be carried over to Monday.

SHRI DHARAM BIR SINHA (Barh) : What about Kashmir ?

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER : If you are prepared to sit after 6 O'clock after Private Members' business is over, I am prepared to sit and continue the Debate.

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO) : I am Prepared to sit after six, Sir.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : The Minister is prepared to sit after six, I think you are going to reply also.

SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO : Yes, Sir.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : O. K. then, the debate will continue after six.

SHRI DHARAM BIR SINHA : After six somebody may raise the question of quorum and there may not be any quorum.