

Re. Treatment meted out to Shri
Rasheed Masood, M.P. while under
arrest

per provisional land utilisation statistics now available for the year 1978-79, the reply to the above Unstarred Question would be as under:—

“As per the provisional land utilisation statistics available (1978-79), the gross sown area and irrigated area from all sources are 173.80 and 48.48 million hectares respectively. The gross area irrigated from surface water sources only, was 29.30 million hectares. The gross area that depends on rain waters is thus 124.32 million hectares.”

12.00 hrs.

ARREST AND RELEASE OF MEMBERS

MR. SPEAKER: I have to make an announcement.

(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: Nothing will go on record without my permission.

(Interruptions)*

MR. SPEAKER : I have to inform the House that I have received the following communication dated 14th July, 1980, from the Deputy Commissioner of Police, New Delhi District, New Delhi:—

“I have the honour to inform you that Sarvashri Jaipal Singh Kashyap and Chandrapal Shailani, Members of Parliament, regarding whose arrest your honour was informed were produced in the Court of Shri Prem Kumar, Metropolitan Magistrate, New Delhi, on 14-7-80. The Court admonished the said Members of Parliament and let them off at about 6.15 P.M. on 14-7-80 itself.”

12.01 hrs.

RE. TREATMENT METED OUT TO SHRI RASHEED MASOOD, M.P. WHILE UNDER ARREST

MR. SPEAKER: On 11 July, 1980, I had informed the House that a letter received by me from Shri George Fernandes enclosing a letter dated 9 July, 1980 from Shri Rashid Masood regarding the treatment meted out to him while under arrest, had been referred to the Ministry of Home Affairs for furnishing a factual note on the matter.

A reference was thereupon made in the House to the case of Shri N. K. Ramalingam who had brought to the notice of the House in May 1979 that he had been beaten by the Delhi Police and not given proper medical aid and asked the Speaker “to protect the rights and privileges of the Members and, at the same time, direct the Government to hold a judicial inquiry in this regard.”

This was followed up on the same day by a notice of question of privilege given by Shri Vasant Sathe, MP, under Rule 222. My distinguished predecessor Mr. Speaker Hegde had made the following observations on the matter:—

“There are two versions about the incident that took place on the 1st of May—one given by the Home Minister and another given by Shri Ramalingam. It is not the version of Shri Ramalingam that any harm was done to him when he was discharging any duty or function qua member of Parliament. In cases like these recourse should be had to Courts of Law. No question of privilege arises. This position is well settled. No consent.”

In the light of the above observations, there is no question of privilege arising in this matter or consent being given under Rule 222. Since, how-

ever, a complaint had been made by the hon'ble Member Shri Rashid Masood, and forwarded by another hon'ble Member, when Shri Rashid Masood was still in police custody, the Minister of Home Affairs would be asked to expedite the factual note.

श्री राम बिलास पासवान (हाजीपुर) : अध्यक्ष महोदय, कल 10 बजे के पहले मैंने एक पत्र लिख कर आपको दिया था। स्वामी इन्द्रवेश जी की गिरफ्तारी हुई। आपने बुलेटिन में दिया है, स्वामी इन्द्रवेश जी की 12 बजकर 15 मिनट पर गिरफ्तारी हुई, मैंने आपको पत्र लिखा कि 10 बजे रात तक उनको एक कप चाय तक नहीं दी गई ... +

MR. SPEAKER: This is not a point of order. Nothing should be recorded without my permission. You come with some motion under some rule. You cannot raise it in the House like this.

श्री मनी राम बागड़ी (हिमालय) : अध्यक्ष जी, मैंने आपको विश्वाधिकार क तीन नोटिस दिये हैं। श्री जयपाल कश्यप जी के बारे में तो मैं आपसे मिला भी था

MR. SPEAKER: It is under consideration. I have written for a factual note.

श्री मनी राम बागड़ी : आपसे बात हुई थी। आपने हमको जो इत्तला दी वह गिरफ्तारी की इत्तला थी लेकिन कल वे रिहा हो गए, उनकी रिहाई की इत्तला

अध्यक्ष महोदय : हाउम तो अब मीट हुआ है।

श्री मनी राम बागड़ी : आपने गिरफ्तारी की इत्तला हमको कब दी ?

अध्यक्ष महोदय : बुलेटिन में दे दिया है (व्यवधान)

श्री मनी राम बागड़ी : आपने पुलिस वालों को पुरस्कार दिया है। मैंने काम रोको प्रस्ताव दिया था, 12-15 औरतों को नंगा नचाया गया है। (व्यवधान)।

12.07 hrs.

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

REVIEWS ON THE WORKING OF NATIONAL FEDERATION OF STATE COOPERATIVE BANKS LTD. BOMBAY FOR 1978-79, NATIONAL COUNCIL OF COOPERATIVE TRAINING, NEW DELHI FOR 1978-79, NATIONAL COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR 1978-79, REVIEW ON AND ANNUAL REPORT OF NATIONAL COOPERATIVE LAND DEVELOPMENT BANKS LTD. BOMBAY FOR 1978-79 AND A STATEMENT FOR DELAY ETC. ETC.

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL RECONSTRUCTION (SHRI BIRENDRA SINGH RAO): I beg to lay on the Table:

(1) A copy of the Review** (Hindi and English versions) by Government on the working of the National Federation of State Cooperative Banks Limited Bombay, for the year 1978-79. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-1063/80.]

(2) A copy of the Review*** (Hindi and English versions) by Government on the working of the National Council for Cooperative Training, New Delhi, for the year 1978-79. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-1064/80.]

(3) A copy of the Review**** (Hindi and English versions) by the Government on the working of the National Cooperative Development Corporation for the year 1978-79. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-1065/80.]

(4) (i) A copy of the Annual Report (Hindi and English versions) of the National Cooperative Land Development Banks Federation,

*Not recorded.

**Annual Report and accounts of the National Federation of State Cooperative Banks Limited, Bombay, for the year 1978-79 were laid on the Table on 28th March, 1980.

***Annual Report of the National Council for Cooperative Training, New Delhi, for the year 1978-79 was laid on the Table on 11th March, 1980.

****Annual Report of the National Cooperative Development Corporation for the year 1978-79 was laid on the Table on 17th March, 1980.