

पिछली 22 मार्च को महाराष्ट्र विधान सभा में एक रिजोल्यूशन पास हुआ है जिसमें यह बिनती की गयी है कि केन्द्रीय सरकार धोरंगाबाद में हाई कोर्ट की बेंच तुरन्त कायम करे। राष्ट्रपति जी से भी बिनती की गयी है कि वे इस मामले में कार्रवाई करें। महाराष्ट्र राज्य कायम होते वक्त नागपुर करार के अन्वय भी इस बात का प्रावधान मरठवाड़ा की जनता को दिया गया था लेकिन वह अभी तक पूरा नहीं हुआ है। मरठवाड़ा के लोगों को इससे बहुत तकलीफ है। इसलिये सरकार से गुजारिश करूंगा कि वह जनता को मांग को देखते हुए धोरंगाबाद में हाई कोर्ट की बेंच कायम करे। इससे मरठवाड़ा के पांच जिलों के लोगों को सन्तुष्ट होगी।

the purchase took place. Obviously, speculation and gambling cannot be the guideline of a public financial institution. It can only be a well laid down policy of sound investment. The Finance Minister should come forward with a statement in the House and inquire into the scandal. After I wrote to you, a Calcutta financial daily *Business Standard*, has also come out with a story which is entitled "Another Mundhra Scandal". This is a very important thing talked about in financial circles in Bombay, Delhi and Calcutta and I request you to direct the Finance Minister to come forward with a statement.

12.15 hrs.

(iv) REPORTED PURCHASE OF SHARES OF  
BIRLA GROUP OF INDUSTRIES

DEMANDS FOR GRANTS\*, 1978-79—  
Contd.

SHRI K. P. UNNIKRISHNAN (Bada-gara): Sir, I wish to bring to the notice of the House a matter of great public importance. The Life Insurance Corporation of India, the General Insurance Corporation of India and the Unit Trust of India have recently bought shares worth crores of rupees in some firms belonging to a particular industrial house after the recent budget. These shares of Gwalior Rayons, Keshoram, Hindustan Aluminium and Orient Papers, all belonging to Birla group are reported to have been bought at exorbitantly high prices in the Stock Exchanges of Bombay and Calcutta. The news was deliberately leaked out and the prices of the shares went up. Even though these companies are well known and the shares are known as leaders of the market, this huge purchase of shares took place at a time when the yields of these shares are at a very low level and the prices high and it has not helped the public financial institutions or public exchequer, but only the business house in question. The prices of these shares have subsequently shot up also even after

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WELFARE

MR. SPEAKER: The House will now take up discussion and voting on Demands Nos. 44 to 48 relating to the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare for which 5 hours have been allotted.

Motion moved:

"That the respective sums not exceeding the amount on Revenue Account and Capital Account shown in the fourth column of the Order Paper be granted to the President out of the Consolidated Fund of India to complete the sums necessary to defray the charges that will come in course of payment during the year ending the 31st day of March, 1979, in respect of the heads of demands entered in the second column thereof against Demands Nos. 44 to 46 relating to the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare."

\*Moved with the recommendation of the President.