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*The Lok Sabha met at Eleven of the
Clock.*

[MR. SPEAKER in the Chair]

OBITUARY REFERENCE

MR. SPEAKER Hon. Members, I have to inform the House of the sad demise of Syed Nausherah who passed away at Dacca, Bingle Dush, on 6th April, 1972 at the age of 80. Syed Nausherah was a Member of the Provisional Parliament during the years 1950-52. Further, he was a Member of the undivided Bengal Assembly during the years 1937-47 and was also a Minister in Bengal Government during the years 1937-38. He also held the office of the Speaker of the Bengal Legislative Assembly during the years 1943-46.

He was an effective Parliamentarian, an impartial and independent Speaker, and a nationalist to the core of his heart.

We deeply mourn the loss of this friend and I am sure the House will join me in conveying our condolences to the bereaved family.

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY, MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI) Mr. Speaker, Sir, I join you in expressing my sorrow at the passing away of Syed Nausherah.

As you have mentioned, he was a prominent political figure of undivided Bengal.

I request you to convey our deep condolences and sympathies to the bereaved family.

SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE (Howrah): I associate myself with the House, on behalf of my Party, to express our sorrow at the death of Syed Nausherah. I was personally acquainted with him. He had a great public career. He was associated with the movement of the peasants or the kisan movement and he was one of the leaders of the organised movement.

He was the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of undivided Bengal. He was a man who never accepted the division of India into Pakistan and Hindustan. That was why he refrained from staying in East Pakistan and stayed at Calcutta. He was a progressive Muslim and he had a great public career.

His death is a great loss to the people. I would request you to convey our feelings of sorrow and condolences to the bereaved family.

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA (Alipore) Mr. Speaker, Sir, I would like to add our party's heart-felt condolences to the family of the deceased on the occasion of the sad demise of Syed Nausherah. As other friends have said, he was a very old political leader and worker and had been known to several generations of political workers in that part of the country. He had been ailing for a very long time. But in the years gone by when we saw him in his heyday, he was a man of extraordinary vigour and energy and held very strong feelings and opinions. His record as Speaker will always remain in the memory of those who knew him. He earned for himself a great reputation for impartiality and fairness as Speaker.

He was connected not only with parliamentary and Assembly politics but also with the mass movements of people outside particularly with that of the peasantry in the rural areas of Bengal.

On behalf of my Par y, I express our condolences and request you, Sir, to convey them to his family. I think there is quite a large number of members of his family as far as I know probably most of them are at this time residing in Bangla Desh. I hope you will convey our condolences and sympathies to them.

श्री अरुण बिहारी बाजपेयी (ग्वालियर) : अध्यक्ष महोदय, मैं अपने दिल की ओर से और अपनी ओर से श्री नौशेर अली के दुःखद देहावसान पर शोक प्रकट करता हूँ। मुझे डा० श्यामा प्रसाद मुखर्जी के साथ स्वर्गीय श्री नौशेर अली से कई बार मिलने का मौका मिला था आप ने ठीक ही कहा है कि वह सच्चे अर्थों में राष्ट्रीयवादी थे और उन्होंने साम्प्रदायिक आधार पर देश के विभाजन को कभी स्वीकार नहीं किया। उनके देहावसान से हमारे सांख्यिक जीवन की क्षति हुई है। कृपया हमारी शोक-समवेदना उन के परिवार तक पहुंचा दें।

MR. SPEAKER : The House may stand in silence for a short while to express its sorrow.

The Members then stood in silence for a short while.

ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

*301. **SHRI ISHWAR CHAUDHRY :** Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether in view of the rise in prices and late submission of report by the Third Pay Commission, Government propose to give further interim relief to the Central Government employees ; and

(b) if so, when ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI K. R. GANESH) : (a) and (b). On the basis of the Second Interim Report of the Pay Commission, further Interim Relief was granted to Central Government Employees with effect from 1st October, 1971 when the 12th-monthly average of the Consumer

Price Index stood at 228. The Commission have stated in that Report that a further review may be called for only when the Index average reaches 238. The 12-monthly average Index for January, 1972, which is the latest available figure, stands at 231.50 only.

The Pay Commission is, however, making every effort to complete their work as early as practicable.

श्री ईश्वर चौधरी : अध्यक्ष महोदय, मूल्य वृद्धि पर योजना मन्त्री काफी निम्ता व्यक्त कर चुके हैं और हमारे वित्त मन्त्री एवं प्रधान मन्त्री सब एक स्वर से बोल चुके हैं। सर्व-साधारण को काफी कठिनाई का सामना करना पड़ रहा है। इसमें कोई दो मत नहीं है। तो मैं मन्त्री महोदय से जानना चाहता हूँ कि क्या यह बात सत्य है कि समाचार पत्रों में ये कमीशन की तरफ से यह रिपोर्ट छपी थी कि यह रिपोर्ट 1973 में प्रकाशित कर दी जायगी इस पर मन्त्री महोदय ने सदन के सामने पूरक अनुदानों पर बोलते हुए बताया था कि ऐसी बात नहीं है, जल्दी की जायगी। मैं मन्त्री महोदय से जानना चाहता हूँ कि इसके लिए मापदण्ड क्या है, क्या इसके लिए कोई तारीख निश्चित की है और इस जल्दी की परिभाषा क्या है ?

SHRI K. R. GANESH : As for the first part of the question, the Pay Commission themselves have stated that they have not given any Press statement with regard to the report being ready in 1973. In regard to the second part, they have said that they are now doing their level best to see that the report is finalised as early as possible, though they have also indicated that it will not be possible for them to indicate at the moment when the report will be finalised.

श्री ईश्वर चौधरी : अध्यक्ष जी, इस सदन में दो तरह की बातें कही गई हैं। यहां पर यह भी कहा गया है कि हम बहुत जल्दी रिपोर्ट प्रकाशित करवायेंगे। यह बात तो स्पष्ट है कि मूल्य काफी बढ़ गए हैं और मैं समझता हूँ उसकी गणना सर्वसाधारण की दृष्टि