

Vajpayee, Shri Atal Bihari
Verma, Shri Phool Chand

MR. SPEAKER : The result* of the
division is : Ayes : 92; Noes : 37.

The Motion was adopted.

SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI :
Sir, I introduce** the Bill.

13.15 hrs.

STATEMENT RE STAMP AND EXCISE DUTIES (AMEND- MENT) ORDINANCE

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI
YASHWANTRAO CHAUHAN: Sir, I beg to
lay on the Table a copy of the explanatory
statement (Hindi and English versions)
giving reasons for immediate legislation by
the Stamp and Excise Duties (Amendment)
Ordinance, 1971, as required under rule
71 (1) of the Rules of Procedure and Con-
duct of Business in Lok Sabha.

RE DEVELOPMENT ON INDO-PAK
BORDER AND STATEMENT RE SHOOT-
ING DOWN OF THREE INTRUDING
PAKISTANI SABRES NEAR BOYRA,
NORTH-EAST OF CALCUTTA.

श्री अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी (ग्वालियर) :
अध्यक्ष महोदय, मैं आपकी इजाजत से एक
महत्वपूर्ण विषय की ओर आपका और सदन
का ध्यान खीचना चाहता हूँ। पार्लियामेंट की
बैठक 15 तारीख को आरम्भ हुई। उस दिन
एक काल अटैशन मोशन था। जबकि मे सुरुक्षा
मंत्री ने सीमा की स्थिति के बारे में एक
वक्तव्य दिया था। आज 23 तारीख हो गई है,
सीमा पर निरन्तर पाकिस्तान की आक्रमणा-

त्मक गतिविधियाँ हो रही हैं। हमारी वायु
सीमा का उल्लंघन किया जा रहा है। कल तो
पाकिस्तान फौज के जहाज 65 मील भारतीय
सीमा में घुस आये और हमारे नेट विमानों ने
उनका पीछा किया। हमारे जवान मारे जा रहे
हैं, निर्दोश नागरिक मौत के घाट उतारे जा
रहे हैं, देश में एक अधोषित युद्ध की स्थिति
विद्यमान है। बड़े ताज्जुब की बात है कि इस
स्थिति के बारे में सदन को विश्वास में नहीं
लिया गया। जो कुछ हमें पता है वह समाचार
पत्रों से। जो बातें समाचार पत्रों को बतलाई
जा सकती है, सुरक्षा मंत्रालय के अधिकारी
समाचार-पत्रों को जो खबरे दे सकते हैं क्या
उनके बारे में इस सदन को विश्वास में नहीं
लिया जा सकता? क्या सदन को अन्धेरे से
रख कर लड़ाई लड़ी जा सकती है? मेरा आप से
निवेदन है कि आप मंत्री महोदय को, प्रधान
मंत्री को या सुरक्षा मंत्री को निर्देश दे कि वह
र-य सीमा की ताजा स्थिति के बारे में सदन
को सूचित करें। अगर वह कालअ टेशन मोशन
मानने की स्थिति में नहीं हैं, हमारे टेडे मेडे
सवालो से बचना चाहते हैं तो वह खुद आकर
वक्तव्य दे सकते हैं, और फिर हम आपकी
इजाजत से स्पष्टीकरण पूछ सकते हैं, लेकिन
सदन के साथ इस तरह का व्यवहार करना न
तो सदन की प्रतिष्ठा को उठाता है और न इस
संकट की स्थिति में देश के मनोबल को बनाये
रखने में सहायक होता है। हमको ससद को
तस्वीर में रखना चाहिये। जो घटनायें हो रही
हैं उनके बारे में हमें मंत्री महोदय से पता
लगाना चाहिये न कि समाचार पत्रों से।

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE (Kanpur) : We
tabled a calling-attention motion on this.

**Introduced with the recommendation of the President.

The following Members also recorded their Votes :

AYES : Sarvaashri Durgadas Bhatia, K. N. Tewari, Shankerrao Savant, M. C. Daga
and Chakleshwar Singh.

NOES : Sarvaashri Baksi Nayak, Sarjoo Pandey, M. K. Krishnan and Bharat Singh
Chowhan.

SHRI SAMAR GUHA (Contai) Sir I have written to you on the same subject and I think, you will permit me also to say something about it. I want to add only one point.

It has been admitted by All India Radio that yesterday there was a tank battle somewhere in Nadia and five medium sized Pakistani tanks were knocked down. Almost every day we are getting from Radio Pakistan that there was a tank battle in Jessore sector and a number of Indians were captured. The Pakistan Radio is broadcasting not only the names of the officers arrested but the live voice of some of the officers arrested has also been recorded. I have also given several calling attention motions. Over a hundred refugees have been killed.

MR. SPEAKER Not each and every thing only one thing you mention. I am allowing only that and not all the subjects that you want to bring in.

SHRI SAMAR GUHA Shellings going on daily as a result of which 100 refugees just near the border area have been killed and a few of thousand wounded. Within the range of five miles of Bangla Desh 90 lakhs refugees are there. I request that this House should be taken into confidence as to what is happening and what is our position. Either the Government should make a statement or you should permit us to raise some sort of a discussion in this House.

THE MINISTER OF STATE (DEFENCE PRODUCTION) IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA) It is not correct to say that we are in a state of undeclared war with Pakistan or that there is a state of hostilities between India and Pakistan. *(Interruption)* This is exactly what Pakistan is trying to say in various world capitals and in the UN that there is some kind of a war between India and Pakistan, some kind of hostilities between India and Pakistan, which is absolutely incorrect. There is no state of undeclared war or anything like that. Whatever war is going on is between the rulers of West

Pakistan and the people of Bangla Desh.

That is the only thing Pakistan is trying to internationalise the conflict by impressing upon the world capitals and others that there is an undeclared war between India and Pakistan and, therefore, UN and other bodies should come and intervene in this matter. I would only request the hon. Members not to fall prey to such kind of Pakistani propaganda. This is a propaganda and canard which is being carried on by Pakistan. *(Interruption)*

SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE I take objection to this. We are not falling prey to any Pakistani propaganda. He has no business to impute motives.

SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA I am not imputing any motive. I am only warning that nobody should be taken in by such propaganda. I emphatically deny that there is any undeclared war between India and Pakistan. This is absolutely incorrect to say. Nobody should ever say such things because it is Pakistan's attempt to internationalise the whole situation.

As regards giving information we do brief the press from time to time about whatever happens on the borders. Our forces are there. Whenever incursions are made by Pakistani armed forces, we throw them back. If they fire artillery we reply and silence their guns. These kind of things are happening. From time to time, we brief the press so that the people and the nation get informed about these matters.

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA (Alipore) Why don't you brief Parliament?

SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA I am coming to that. There are things happenings inside Bangla Desh. We get information from communiques issued from time to time in Bangla Desh about such things. We have also our own sources of information. We will not hesitate for a moment to come before Parliament and give information whenever anything of importance or anything which deserves the attention of Parliament happens on our borders. There is an official brief about

these things which are happening, shelling here or an incursion there which is effectively replied to. If we come daily and give statements about these things, I do not think we shall be setting up a good precedent. If there is anything of importance or anything which is really worth the attention of Parliament, as soon as it comes to our notice, we shall surely inform the House about it. Now, with your permission, Sir, I would like to make a statement.

The hon. Members are aware of the air intrusions that took place yesterday in the afternoon near Boyra about 30 miles north-east of Calcutta.

Here, the hon. Member mentioned that the planes intruded 30 miles inside. It is not 30 miles. They did not intrude 30 miles inside our territory. They came about a few kilometres. This incident took place 30 miles away from Calcutta.

The details of the interception action taken by our Air Force are now available. Four Pakistani Sabres were seen approaching our border at about 14.49 hours. A mission of four Gnats was ordered to intercept them. The Pakistani aircraft intruded about 5 kilometres into Indian air space. They were successfully intercepted at 14.59 hour and chased away. In the engagement that took place, three of the four Sabres have been shot down. The Pakistani pilots baled out. Two of them, Flight-Lieut. Parvez Mehdi and Flg. Officer Khalil Ahmed are in our custody. Our Gnats sustained no damage and returned safely to their bases.

The I.A.F. pilots who shot down these Sabres Fl.-Lt. Massey, Fl.-Lt. M. A. Ganapathi and Flying Officer Lazarus.

श्री मदन बिहारी बाजपेयी : इसके बाद भी यह कहना हास्यास्पद है कि पाकिस्तान के साथ हास्टिलिटीज नहीं है। हम वायु सेना को बचाई देना चाहते हैं कि उसने कुछ किया है। (व्यवधान)

MR. SPEAKER : I want to make a
*Off the record.

remark off the record.....*

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE : We are not after war, Sir. That was made very clear.

SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA : Sir, I want to appeal to the House that we should not say anything here which, even by implication, would support Pakistan's propaganda. We should be very careful about it. This is an appeal I want to make to the House.

MR. SPEAKER : Now, after lunch we will take up the discussion on cyclone havoc in Orissa. I have received a number of names and I assure them that they will all get their chance to speak for a few minutes and we should not finish the debate until the list is exhausted. I hope all of you will co-operate in giving them enough time.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE : Supposing in any Party there is no Member from Orissa, others should be given time.

MR. SPEAKER : We adjourn now and re-assemble at 2.30.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE : Sir, to-day the hon. Minister has really made a statement which we all applaud. But he should have made it *suo motu*.

13.27 hrs.

The Lok Sabha adjourned for Lunch till half-past Fourteen of the clock.

The Lok Sabha reassembled after Lunch at thirty-five minutes past Fourteen of the Clock.

[MR DEPUTY SPEAKER in the Chair]

RE : SUPPLY OF NEWSPAPERS
IN CALCUTTA

SHRI SAMAR GUHA (Contai) :
Mr Deputy-Speaker, Sir, I have to draw