

Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Rajya Sabha, I am directed to inform the Lok Sabha that the Rajya Sabha, at its sitting held on the 3rd September, 1959, agreed without any amendment to the Government Savings Banks (Amendment) Bill, 1959, which was passed by the Lok Sabha at its sitting held on the 31st August, 1959 "

- (5) "In accordance with the provisions of rule 97 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Rajya Sabha, I am directed to enclose a copy of the Criminal Law (Amendment) Bill, 1959 which has been passed by the Rajya Sabha at its sitting held on the 2nd September, 1959 "

BILL PASSED BY THE RAJYA SABHA LAID ON THE TABLE

Secretary Sir, I lay on the Table of the House the Criminal Law (Amendment) Bill, 1959, as passed by Rajya Sabha

COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES

TENTH REPORT

Sardar Hukam Singh (Bhatinda) Sir, I beg to lay on the Table the Tenth Report of the Committee on Privileges

12.57 hrs.

CALLING ATTENTION TO A MATTER OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

TALKS BETWEEN THE PRESIDENT OF
PAKISTAN AND THE PRIME MINISTER OF
INDIA

Shri Supakar (Sambalpur) Sir, under Rule 197, I beg to call the at-

tention of the Prime Minister to the following matter of urgent public importance and I request that he may make a statement thereon:—

"The talks held between the President of Pakistan and the Prime Minister of India on the 1st September, 1959 "

Shri Jawaharlal Nehru: The President of Pakistan reached Palam airport on the 1st September, 1959, soon after 11 o'clock in the morning. He was received by the Prime Minister and stayed at Palam about an hour and a half. For the greater part of this time, the President and the Prime Minister met by themselves and discussed various matters. Towards the end of this meeting, the Foreign Minister of Pakistan, the High Commissioner of Pakistan in India, the High Commissioner of India in Pakistan and the Commonwealth Secretary of India were also invited to join in these talks. At the conclusion of this meeting, a joint statement was issued, a copy of which is attached.

The talks between the President and the Prime Minister were informal in nature and were very friendly throughout. The President of Pakistan expressed his strong desire for neighbourly relations between the two countries and said that there was no problem between them which could not be solved in a friendly way. The Prime Minister entirely agreed. No particular subject was discussed in detail. Casual reference was made to some of the problems between the two countries and the President pointed out that if friendly relations could be established between the two countries and fears and apprehensions of both of them removed, this could result in a reduction, on both sides, of expenditure on armament and thus help in releasing moneys for economic development. The Prime Minister agreed and added that in India the primary objective that they had before them was social and economic