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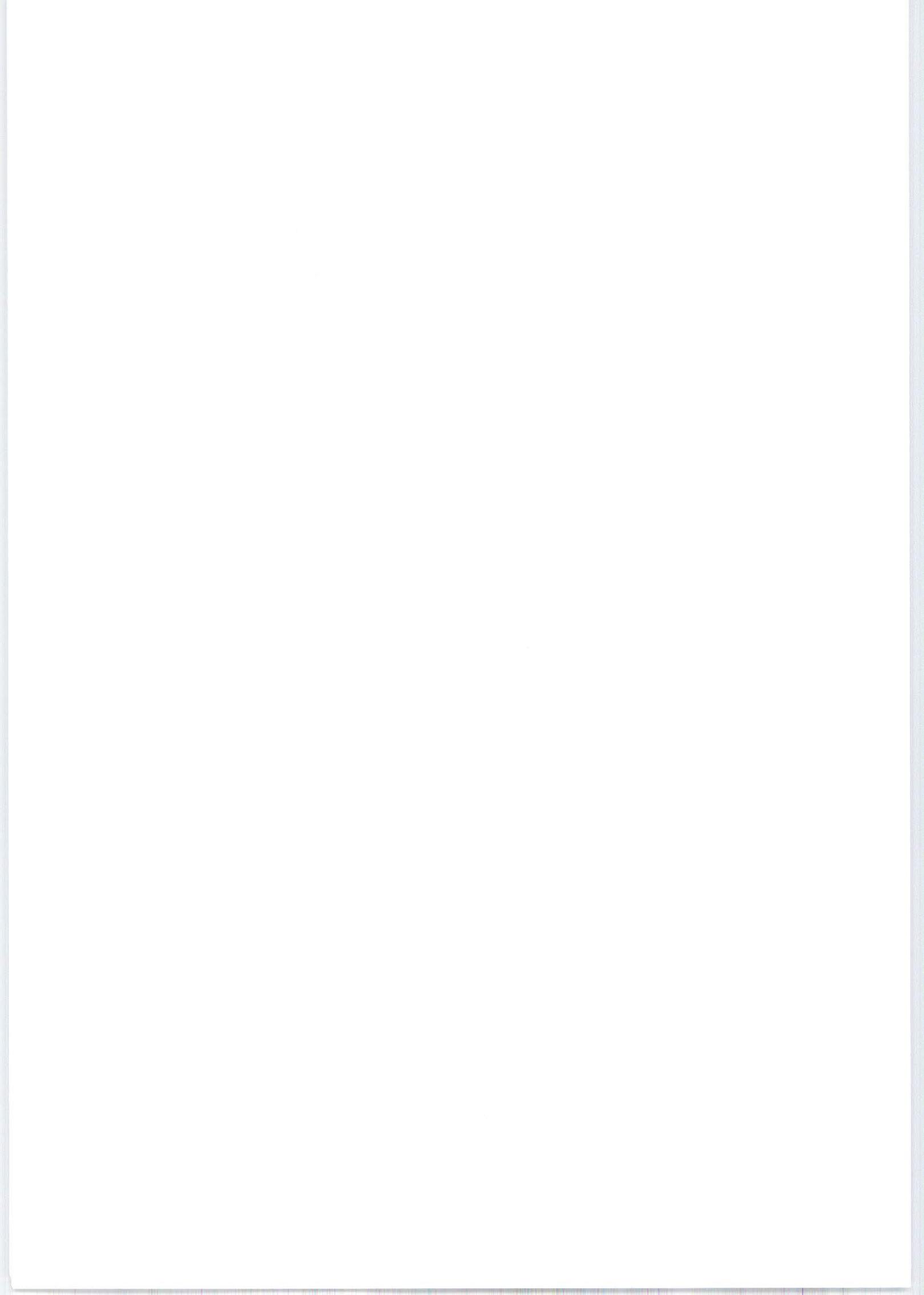
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The Senate of Pakistan met in the Senate Chamber, (State Bank Building), Islamabad, at ten of the clock in the morning, Mr. Chairman (Mr. Habibullah Khan) in the Chair.

(Recitation from the Holy Quran).

STARRED QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Mr. Chairman : Now we take up questions. Question No. 19

19. Mr. Mohammad Zaman Khan Achakzai : Will the Minister for Interior, States and Frontier Regions be pleased to state :

- (a) the distance between a check post and the Pak-Afghan border;
- (b) the distance between the Baleily Check Post in District Quetta-Pishin and the border;
- (c) the reason to set up seven or eight Check Posts for a distance of about 77 miles between Quetta and Chaman; and
- (d) whether female staff have been appointed at all the Check Posts to search ladies in "Burqah". If not, will the Federal Government consider the appointment of female searchers ?

Sardar Abdul Aleem : Interior Division is somewhat concerned only with the Immigration Check Posts. The relevant information is being collected from Provinces and will be laid on the table of the House without any avoidable delay.

Sardar Abdul Aleem : Sir, the relevant information is being collected. Whenever it is available it will be placed on the table of the House.

Mr. Chairman : How long will it take ?

جناب محمد زمان خان اچکزئی : جناب والا ! دو مہینے میرے اس سوال کو ہو گئے ہیں اور ابھی اور کتنا ٹائم لگے گا ؟

Sardar Abdul Aleem : Sir, we have received information from the Provinces of Sind and Baluchistan. The information from the Punjab is awaited and, I think, it will be available soon, so it will be placed on the table and moreover the information with regard to the check posts, immigration Check posts or custom Check posts, this matter is not clear. We are collecting information for both types of check posts.

Mr. Chairman : Question No. 20

Khawaja Mohammad Safdar : No. 20, Sir.

HOSPITAL BEDS IN PUNJAB

20. Khawaja Mohammad Safdar : Will the Minister for Health and Social Welfare be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the ratio of the Hospital Beds to the population in the Punjab has gone down from 35.0 per 100,000 persons in 1973 to 34.6 per 100,000 persons in 1974?

Mr. Khurshid Hasan Meer : Provision of medical facilities is a provincial responsibility. Information obtained from the Government of Punjab shows that the ratio of hospital beds as given in the question is correct. However, these figures do not include the beds available in the dispensaries, rural health centres and T. B. clinics. If these beds are also added the ratio for both 1973 and 1974 will be 41 beds per 100,000 population in the Punjab. The beds in the hospitals run by the Central Government, Armed Forces, Private Doctors, PR and the Jail Department are in addition to the beds mentioned above.

خواجہ محمد صفدر : کیا وزیر مملکت سے یہ پوچھ سکتا ہوں کہ کیا یہ اطلاع بھی ان کو صوبائی حکومت نے دی ہے کہ اس تعداد میں رورل ڈسپنسری ، رورل ہیلتھ سنٹر اور ٹی۔ بی کلینک بھی شامل ہیں۔

Mr. Khurshid Hasan Meer : It is covered in the reply.

Mr. Question: Next Question.

Khawaja Mohammad Safdar : No. 21 Sir.

DOCTORS IN EACH PROVINCE

21. Khawaja Mohammad Safdar : Will the Minister for Health and Social Welfare be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the ratio of qualified doctors available in the Punjab was 15 per 100,000 persons in 1973, and this ratio has decreased to 14 doctors per 100,00 persons in the Province in 1974 ; and

(b) the number of doctors available per 100,000 persons in the Punjab, Baluchistan, N. W. F. P. and Sind separately?

Mr. Khurshid Hasan Meer : (a) & (b) Information is being obtained from the Provincial Governments.

Khawaja Mohammad Safdar : Quite right.

Mr. Chairman : Question No.22

Khawaja Mohammad Safdar : Question No. 22, Sir.

BOLAN MEDICAL COLLEGE

22. *Mr. Mohammad Zaman Khan Achakzai : Will the Minister for Health and Social Welfare be pleased to state :

(a) the total amount sanctioned by the Federal Government for Bolan Medical College;

(b) the amount made available so far and the amount spent;

- (c) the date when the College will be completed;
- (d) the number of seats reserved for admission of First Year students at present and their number on completion of the College;
- (e) the total number of students to be on rolls on completion of the College;
- (f) whether land for construction of building of the College has been purchased; and
- (g) if answer to (f) above be in the affirmative, the name of the person from whom the land has been purchased, its site in Quetta city, area and the price?

Mr. Khurshid Hasan Meer :

- (a) The total approved cost of the project is Rs. 74.00 million.
- (b) The amount provided by the Federal Government is as follows :
- | | | |
|-------------|-------|---------|
| 1972-73 Rs. | 5.00 | million |
| 1973-74 Rs. | 10.00 | million |
| 1974-75 Rs. | 10.00 | million |

Information regarding expenditure incurred so far is being obtained from Provincial Government in whom the execution of the project vests.

- (c) According to Provincial Government completion of the College is expected in 1977.
- (d) & (e) The admissions are controlled by the Provincial Government and necessary information is being obtained from them.
- (f) The land for the College has been provided by the Provincial Government.
- (g) Does not arise.

Mr. Khurshid Hasan Meer : Sir, I would like to add to this information that according to the telegram received by us from the Provincial Government this was a Government land which has been acquired for this college free of cost.

خواجہ محمد صفدر : کیا وزیر صاحب یہ بتائیں گے کہ ساڑھے سات کروڑ جو کہ اس کالج پر لاکٹ آئے گی وہ وفاقی حکومت ادا کرے گی۔

Mr. Khurshid Hasan Meer : If the honourable Member looks at 'b' the amount is provided by the Federal Government.

خواجہ محمد صفدر : ڈھائی کروڑ روپے تر دے دئے ہیں۔ کیا ۵ کروڑ روپے بھی ابھی دے گی یا نہیں؟

Mr. Khurshid Hasan Meer : Sir, I don't have any further information should like to have a notice for this question.

Khawaja Mohammad Safdar : It arises out of this.

اگرچہ محترم وزیر صاحب کو یہ حق حاصل ہے کہ وہ انکار کر دیں!

لیکن بات یہ ہے کہ - - -

Mr. Khurshid Hasan Meer : I am asking for a notice.

میں انکار تو نہیں کر رہا ہوں - میں نے تو کہا ہے کہ نوٹس دیں
خواجہ محمد صفدر : نوٹس کا مطلب یہ ہوا کہ اس سوال کا جواب
 اگلے سال اس ایوان میں پیش ہوگا موجودہ اجلاس تو صرف اکیس دن جاری
 رہے گا۔

جناب چیرمین : اختتام سے پہلے اس کا جواب آ جائے گا دسمبر میں
 آ جائے گا۔

خواجہ محمد صفدر : ٹھیک ہے نیا نوٹس دے دیتے ہیں۔

Mr. Chairman : Now, Question are over.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Mr. Chairman : There is a leave application by Mr. Kamran Khan ;

“Mr. Kamran Khan, Senator, has gone to Europe and is presently away from the country. He has asked me to submit leave application on his behalf. I, therefore, request your honour and through you to the House to grant Mr. Kamran Khan leave upto 25 th December, 1974”.

Mr. Shahzad Gul has submitted this application on behalf of Mr. Kamran Khan for leave upto 25th December. Should the leave be granted to him?

(Leave was granted).

Mr. Chairman : Now, we take up adjournment motions. This is No. 20.

ADJOURNMENT MOTION RE: THE EIGHTH ASIAN GAMES AT ISLAMABAD

Khawaja Mohammad Safdar : Sir, I beg leave of the Senate to move a motion for the adjournment of the business of the House to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance and of recent occurrence, namely, the decision of the Pakistan Sports Board to hold the eighth Asian Games at Islamabad, which will involve expenditure of millions of rupees is sheer extravagance, which a poor nation like Pakistan can ill-afford. The failure of the Federal Government to stop the Board from such a colossal waste of money has sent a wave of resentment amongst the public of Pakistan.

Malik Mohammad Akhtar :- The adjournment motion is opposed on technical grounds that this is not extravagance as alleged in the motion. Now, I would make a brief statement in this House with your permission and that will show that the allegations made do not justify to be discussed through an adjournment motion because whatever steps have been taken, they have been taken in public interest. Sir, my brief statement is :

This is a deliberate decision of the Government of Pakistan. It has been

reached in furtherance of some of the cardinal objectives of the Peoples' Government. It will serve some of the most cherished causes which have suffered neglect at the hands of the previous regimes. Some of these objectives are :

1. To further international goodwill with all the countries which inhabit this continent and to provide opportunities to our youth to mix up with the youth of the other countries ;
2. To project national image by providing an opportunity to healthy youngmen to see this country, meet its people and come into contact with its historical and cultural heritage; and
3. To provide a boost to enkindle interest in the health and physical culture at the national level.

It is not correct that the money spent on the holding of Asian Games will be wasted. The residential accommodation and sports facilities which will be created are very much needed. We shall be only building 1250 apartments whereas Islamabad is short of six thousand houses even at this time. The whole or even the main burden of this financial load will not be allowed to fall on the national exchequer. Chinese have already come forward in a big way and several other countries are indicating active interest. The private sector has come forward with proposals which can remove a significant part of financial burden and we propose to go to the masses for support who have already indicated great enthusiasm in holding of these sports. The portion of expenditure that will have to be met by the Federal Government and Provincial Government will be amply justified not only in furtherance of some of the main objectives of the policy to which I have already referred but also by some of the incidental advantages, like promotion of tourism, encouragement of various handicrafts and cottage industries and promotion of arts and culture and not to speak of the earning of foreign exchange. So, Sir, whatever is done is not a waste but it is in the public interest and the nation is going to benefit, the country is going to benefit. The allegations made in the adjournment motion are incorrect and they are denied.

خواجہ محمد صفدر : جناب والا ! محترم وزیر مملکت برائے پارلیمانی امور نے واقعات پر بحث کرنے کی زحمت فرمائی ہے۔ اس کے علاوہ کوئی اعتراض نہیں فرمایا ہے۔ اس لئے میں نہایت ادب سے درخواست کروں گا کہ اس تحریک التوا کو admit کیا جائے کیونکہ اس کی مخالفت نہیں کی گئی۔

Malik Mohammad Akhtar : It has been opposed, Sir. Now, I will give a ruling on this.

Mr. Chairman : Will You give a ruling?

Malik Mohammad Akhtar : Ruling of the Chair, Sir. I have denied the facts and I have denied the allegations. Kindly look at page 18 Rulings of the Chair 1921-40. I have contradicted the allegations and I have denied the facts.

خواجہ محمد صفدر : مجھے اجازت دیجئے۔

جناب چیرمین : آپ کو اجازت ملے گی :

You have invited this trouble yourself.

آپ نے کہا ہے کہ oppose نہیں کیا۔ اب وہ ضرور oppose کریں گے

He has said that the Minister has not opposed.

Malik Mohammad Akhtar : Sir, I have opposed it. Kindly take out the proceedings so that the House may hear what I said.

Mr. Chairman : No, no. It has been opposed.

Malik Mohammad Akhtar : Sir, ruling No. 26, page 18. "Government disputes facts stated therein : President accepts Government's version of facts unless there is proof to the contrary." I need not read this ruling.

Mr. Chairman : These are five lines and not more than that. Read it.

Malik Mohammad Akhtar : "A Member desired to move the adjournment of the House to discuss the forcible occupation by the military of a Moslem Idgah in the Central Provinces. After hearing the Government Member the President said that the Government denied the correctness of the facts stated in the motion and he had to accept Government Member's statement unless there was any proof to the contrary. He, therefore, disallowed the motion." Now, I will again take you back to this adjournment motion and you kindly see in its 7th line ; "...millions of rupees is sheer extravagance..." That means that the Government is going to waste the money. I deny it, Sir. The Government is not going to waste the money but rather, as I have stated and I need not repeat, it is all being done in public interest. The allegations or facts mentioned in the motion are denied and I have given a statement, and Sir, when a statement is given I consider that is to be accepted unless it is proved to be otherwise.

Mr. J. A. Rahim : On a point of order, Sir. The Honourable Minister has made an error - a serious error. It is this. He has used the word "opposed" in two different senses. One sense would be that he opposes the motion to be moved at all. The other is that he opposes the correctness of the motion. The moment he took up discussion of the whole business he has accepted the motion. He was opposing the correctness of the motion and not the moving of the motion. Therefore, now that he has taken up this attitude himself the motion ought to be discussed.

Mr. Chairman : Thank you.

خواجہ محمد صفدر جناب والا ! میرے محترم دوست نے ارشاد فرمایا ہے کہ میں نے جو واقعات بیان کئے ہیں۔ وہ غلط ہیں میں واقعات یہ بیان کئے ہیں کہ حکومت کروڑوں روپے اس پروجیکٹ پر صرف کرنے والی ہے اور میں یہ کہتا ہوں کہ یہ روپے کا ضیاع ہے کیونکہ جو روپیہ اس ملک میں انتہائی مفلوک الحال لوگوں کی جیبوں سے ٹیکس کی صورت میں وصول کیا جاتا ہے، وہ برباد کیا جا رہا ہے۔ محترم وزیر صاحب یہ کہتے ہیں کہ اتنی کثیر رقم بڑے مفید طرح سے خرچ ہوگی لیکن اس کے جو نتائج برآمد ہوں گے ان سے یہ انکار نہیں کرتے وہ یہ ہے کروڑوں روپے بلکہ اربوں روپے صرف ہوگا اور پھر اس کے جو نتائج برآمد ہوں ان پر بحث کرنے کے لئے اس تحریک التوا

کی مخالفت نہ کی جائے اس لئے میں عرض کروں گا کہ اسے admit ہونا چاہیے مجھے اخبارات کے ذریعے سے ۲۵۵ ملین ڈالر ایران نے ساتویں ایشیائی کھیل 7th Asian games پر صرف کئے ہیں اس کا مطلب یہ ہوا کہ کم و بیش ۲۲۵ ملین کوئی ۲۲ کروڑ پچیس لاکھ ڈالر تقریباً سوا دو ارب روپے بنتے ہیں چلو ہم یہ کام ذرا کم درجہ پر کریں گے بھر بھی دو ارب روپیہ ہمیں درکار ہوگا۔ بلکہ ہمارے ملک میں قیمتوں میں اضافہ کی وجہ سے سوا دو ارب روپے سے بھی زیادہ خرچ ہوگا آپ ان ملکوں سے مقابلہ کرتے ہیں جو بے حد و حساب امیر ہیں۔ اپنے گھر میں دیکھتے نہیں کہ کیا حال ہے۔ ایران کی زرمبادلہ کی سالانہ آمدنی ۲۲ ملین ڈالر ہے۔ ابھی محترم وزیر صاحب نے ارشاد فرمایا ہے کہ بہت سے ملک ہماری مدد کریں گے۔ بھائی اگر امداد لینی ہے تو پھر کسی مفید کام کے لئے لیجئے۔ فیکٹریاں لگائیے کارخانے لگائیے۔

Mr. Charman : Please be relevant

خوجہ محمد صفدر : جناب والا ! وزیر مملکت ارشاد فرما رہے ہیں کہ یہ مفید کام ہوگا بہر حال محترم وزیر صاحب نے کہا ہے کہ چین بھی ہماری مدد کرے گا وہ ہمیشہ ہماری مدد کرتے رہے ہیں اگر ان سے امداد حاصل کرنی ہے تو کسی مفید کام کے لئے کریں۔ حقیقت یہ ہے کہ بھارت ہم سے جغرافیائی لحاظ سے پانچ گنا اور ذرائع و وسائل کے لحاظ سے دس گنا ہے۔ اس کا خیال تھا کہ یہ ایشیائی گیمز اس کے ہاں منعقد ہوں۔ لیکن جب اس نے دیکھا کہ اس طرح اربوں روپیہ خرچ ہوگا تو اس نے پاکستان کو کہا کہ آپ بہت بڑے لوگ ہیں اس لئے یہ گیمز آپ کے یہاں ہونے چاہئے۔ جناب والا ! دراصل یہ ہمارے لئے ہندوستانیوں نے گڑھا کھودا ہے۔ اس لئے میں اپنے محترم وزیر سے عرض کروں گا کہ یہ تمام اخراجات بے جا ہونگے۔

مولانا ظفر احمد نعمانی : جناب والا ! میں نے محترم وزیر صاحب کی تقریر سنا ہے۔ انہوں نے فرمایا ہے کہ یہ عوام کی تمنا ہے کہ ایشیائی گیمز ہمارے ہاں ہوں۔ یہ سراسر الزام ہے۔ پاکستانی عوام نے یہ کس طرح سے تمنا کی ہے جبکہ وہ اس طرح کی الجھنوں میں پھنسے ہوئے ہیں اور سخت پریشانی میں مبتلا ہیں۔ بھلا وہ اس بے جا صرف کی کیونکر تمنا کر سکتے ہیں۔ وہ اس قسم کی عیاشیوں کو قطعاً برداشت نہیں کرتے اس لئے ہمارے محترم وزیر صاحب نے پاکستانی عوام پر محض الزام لگایا ہے کہ پاکستانی عوام نے تمنا کی ہے۔

Malik Mohammad Akhtar : I have one or two more technical objections.

Mr. Chairman : Yes.

Malik Mohammad Akhtar : Firstly, I have admitted the acts. Secondly, Speech not corrected by the honourable Minister.

I have given an assurance that it is being held in the public interest. No document has been produced to contradict my statement. Thirdly, I would like to refer you to Ruling No. 393 "Discussion of wider policy". I need not repeat it. The discussion of wider policy of Government can be done in many ways, i. e. some resolution, motion and not through an adjournment motion as the present case is.

Mr. Chairman : Khawaja Sahib, in the first instance you have not mentioned even approximately the amount of money which is likely to be spent on the holding of these Asian Games. No amount has been mentioned, not even approximately. So, it is not a definite matter. Secondly, and the more important is the point that it is a question of opinion. What is being spent, apart from that, you say it is extravagance. The Minister says it is not extravagance. It would be very difficult to definite the word "extravagance". You cannot draw a line between the two words that above this it would be extravagant and below that it would not be extravagant. It is a sheer question of opinion. Then, thirdly the honourable Minister has said are they holding these games at Islamabad in public interest and of course it is a matter not exclusively confined to the limits of Pakistan. Pakistan is not the only country to hold these games at Islamabad. These Asian Games are being held every-where. Had it been a mere waste of money to hold such like games, I think no country would have been so anxious to press for the holding of these games in their country. You know they are being shifted from place to place. One year they are holding here, next year somewhere else and after a couple of year somewhere. So this is going on.

خواجہ محمد صفدر : تو ہندوستان نے کیوں انکار کر دیا تھا -

Mr. Chairman : No country has so far, to my knowledge has alleged that it is a waste of money and it is sheer extravagance. So, I don't think it is a matter which should be discussed by this House on an adjournment motion. There are many other remedies open to you to bring this matter under discussion of this House. You can make use of Rule 187 and move a resolution or you can put question and elicit information from them about the amount of money which they are going to spend and how it will be utilised. There are many other ways but for an adjournment motion to bring this matter for discussion and that the House should adjourn to discuss this matter, I don't think it is a definite matter of public importance to that extent. Therefore, sorry, it is reluctantly ruled out of order.

Mr. J. A. Rahim : On a point of order Sir. The argument used by the honourable Minister that it is being done in the public interest. He has given an assurance that the Government is doing it in public interest. That is not a sufficient argument, because everything and every saction of the Government has to be in the public interest. If he confesses that it is not so then it is a terrible admission. Sir, it cannot be used as an argument to stop an adjournment motion.

Mr. Chairman : Mr. J. A. Rahim, after I delivered my ruling there was no occasion to raise a point of order. You should better conserve your energies for the privilege motion which is coming very shortly for discussion. After my ruling you should not have raised this point of order, you see.

Now we take up adjournment motcn No. 21. It stands in your name Khawaja Sahib. This is with regard to Cement Corporation.

Malik Mohammad Akhtar : Sir, I received a request from the Mnister concerned that it may be deferred so that he may be able to

Mr. Chairman : Do you agree?

Khawaja Mohammad Safdar : Yes.

Mr. Chairman : So this adjournment motion stand deferred, you see. It is deferred till the presence of the Minister concerned.

Mr. Mohammad Hashim Ghilzai : Sir, what is the adjournment motion? It should be read out in the House and then deferred.

Mr. Chairman : If you want and insist I will read it out. But, I think, it is not necessary. Have you got a copy of it.

Mr. Mohammad Hashim Ghilzai : No, Sir.

Mr. Chairman : Now, it is being read for your information and for the information of those who are anxious. Khawaja Sahib, you please read it out.

ADJOURNMENT MOTION RE : FAILURE OF THE STATE CEMENT CORPORATION TO ADJUST ITS EXPORT PRICE.

Khawaja Mohammad Safdar : Sir, I beg leave of the Senate to move a motion for the adjournment of the business of the House to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance and of recent occurrence, namely, Pakistan's Cement exports have almost come to a standstill because of the failure of the State Cement Corporation of Pakistan to adjust its export price to the fluctuating international price levels as reported in Dawn dated 12.10.74. This has resulted in huge loss in foreign exchange earnings. This news has greatly perturbed the minds of the public.

Malik Mohammad Akhtar : It is opposed with the request to defer it.

Mr. Chairman : It stands deferred until the Minister concerned attends the Senate Session. Now, we take up adjournment motion No. 22. Yes, Khawaja Sahib.

ADJOURNMENT MOTION RE : HANDING OVER OF POWER DISTRIBUTION TO PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF THE PUNJAB AND SIND

Khawaja Mohammad Safdar : Sir, I beg leave of the Senate to move a motion for the adjournment of the business of the House to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance and of recent occurrence, namely, the decision of the Inter-Provincial Coordination Committee to hand over power distribution to the Provincial Government of the Punjab and Sind. This decision of the Coordination Committee will create manifold difficulties both technical as well as administrative and has greatly perturbed the public mind.

Malik Mohammad Akhtar : Sir, it is opposed. May I request your honour to to the provisions of the Constitution's Article 157, sub-Article (2). Sir, rather I should read the entire Article at page 71.

Article 157.— (1) "The Federal Government may in any Province construct or cause to be constructed hydroelectric or thermal power installations or grid stations for the generation of electricity and lay or cause to be laid inter-Provincial transmission lines."

Sir, "The Government of a Province may" Nos, Sir, he wants to deny Provincial Government this right which has been given.

“(2) The Government of a Province may —

- (a) to the extent electricity is supplied to that Province from the national grid, require supply to be made in bulk for transmission and distribution within the Province;
- (b) levy tax on consumption of electricity within the Province;
- (c) construct power houses and grid stations and lay transmission lines for use within the Province; and
- (d) determine the tariff for distribution of electricity within the Province.”

Now, Sir, as a matter of fact what the Inter-Provincial Coordination Committee has done is that they have tried to meet the provisions of sub-Article of Article 157. Sir, the adjournment motion could be brought if the Coordination Committee had acted otherwise. They are implementing the provisions which are mandatory and as such I take this technical objection and for the rest of the objections I would see if there need be.

خواجہ محمد صفدر : جناب والا ! میں ان لوگوں میں سے ہوں جو صوبائی خود مختاری کے حامی ہیں۔ میں بھی جانتا ہوں کہ صوبوں کے پاس ملک کی سالمیت کو مد نظر رکھتے ہوئے زیادہ سے زیادہ اختیارات ہوں لیکن مجوزہ صورت حال سے سیری رائے میں بجلی کی ترسیل میں مزید الجھنیں پیدا ہوں گی۔ پہلے ہی صورت حال یہ ہے کہ اس ملک کے کسی حصے میں بھی۔

Malik Mohammad Akhtar : Sir, he is going on facts.

Mr. Chairman : He has opposed on technical ground that there is nothing in the motion because the Federal Government or the Provincial Government are implementing the mandatory provisions of the Constitution. The Provincial Government is entitled to ask the Federal Government to hand over the distribution etc. They are only implementing clause (2) of Article 157 under which they are bound to do. The Provincial Government is entitled, they have got the right that the Federal Government should hand over the distribution and administration of power, and they have done that. If a certain decision is taken in compliance with the provisions of the Constitution, the Provincial Government has a right to ask, and there is no question of adjournment motion, you see, nothing wrong has been done. So far as the decision taken by the Inter-Provincial Coordination Committee is concerned, it is strictly in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution. They have not exceeded their powers. The Provincial Government is entitled to ask, for an Inter-Provincial Coordination Committee has given those powers to them in compliance with the provisions of the Constitution strictly. In other words, they are simply implementing the provisions of the Constitution and that is all.

Khawaja Mohammad Safdar : But they are not. This is my contention.

Mr. Chairman : Supposing there is another matter tomorrow taken up by the Federal Government

Khawaja Mohammad Safdar : As you please, Sir.

Mr. Chairman : I think, your attention was not invited to this Article earlier. Ruled out.

Khawaja Mohammad Safdar : As you have ruled, Sir.

جناب والا! حکومت چاہتی ہے بجلی کی پیداوار کا انتظام بھی صوبوں کو دے دیا جائے لیکن اس آرٹیکل کے سب آرٹیکل کو ذرا ملاحظہ فرمائیں۔ پیرا بی ہے۔ بجلی کی تقسیم وفاقی حکومت نے صوبوں کے حوالے کی ہے۔ ٹرانمیشن ان کے پاس نہیں ہے پروڈکشن بھی ان کے پاس نہیں ہے۔ وہ کیا کریں گے سر کٹائیں اپنا؟

جناب چیرمین : صوبوں سے پوچھئے کہ کیوں نہیں مانگتے؟

خواجہ محمد صفدر : یہ تو وفاقی حکومت کا کام ہے کہ صوبوں کو مفید مشورے دے۔

جناب چیرمین : دراصل آپ province پر زور دیں۔ اگر کوئی Province یہ کہے کہ ہمیں یہ چیز دے دو آپ کہیں کہ یہ چیز لیں وہ چیز نہ لیں۔ آپ ان پر زور سے چسپاں کریں کہ یہ کریں گے یہ نہیں کریں گے۔ تو یہ press کرنا غلط بات ہے۔

(مداخلت)

جناب چیرمین : پرانے کھلاڑی ہیں نا۔ ان کو آسانی کے ساتھ تو چت نہیں کر سکتے۔

Khawaja Mohammad Safdar : Sir, I am not moving adjournment motion No. 23

Mr. Chairman : Adjournment motion No. 23 is not moved.

خواجہ محمد صفدر : اگر ضرورت ہے تو تحریک التوا ۲۴ میں کردوں

ملک محمد اختر : خواجہ صاحب یہ کل کر لیں گے۔

MESSAGE FROM N. A. SECRETARIAT *RE* : RETURN OF THE
EVACUEE TRUST PROPERTIES (MANAGEMENT AND DISPOSAL)
BILL, 1974, UNADOPTED BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Mr. Chairman : I have now to read a message to you. This message is from the Joint Secretary of the National Assembly Secretariat. It is addressed to the Secretary, Senate Secretariat.

“Dear Sir,

I am directed to refer to your message No. F. 26 (33)/74-Legis. dated the 26th August, 1974, forwarding a copy of the Evacuee Trust Properties (Management and Disposal) Bill, 1974, as passed by the Senate, and to state that the National Assembly could not pass the said Bill within nine days of its receipt, as required by Article 71 (2) of the Constitution. Therefore, in pursuance of rule 120 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly.

1973, a copy of the Bill, as passed by the Senate, is returned herewith. Kindly acknowledge receipt”.

Now, the next item. Yes, Malik Mohammad Akhtar.

**THE SUPPRESSION OF TERRORIST ACTIVITIES (SPECIAL COURT
(ADMENDMENT) ORDINANCE, 1974.**

Malik Mohammad Akhtar : Sir, I beg to lay before the Senate the Suppression of Terrorist Activities (Special Court) (Amendment) Ordinance, 1974 (XXIV of 1974), as required by clause (2) of Article 89 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

Mr. Chairman : The Ordinance is laid on the table of the House.

Yes, Mr. Ihsanul Haq, you have to present the Report of the Standing Committee.

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT *RE*: THE ASSOCIATED
CEMENT (VESTING) BILL, 1974**

Mr. Ihsanul Haq : Sir, I have the privilege on behalf of the Committee to present the report of the Standing Committee on the Bill to provide for the vesting of the Associated Cement in the State Cement Corporation of Pakistan Limited. (The Associated Cement (Vesting) Bill, 1974)

Mr. Chairman : The report stands presented.

There is no further business to transact. So, I think, we should meet tomorrow at 10.00 A. M. Do you agree? Honourable Senators : Yes, sir.

Mr. Chairman : The House stands adjourned to meet tomorrow at 10.00 A. M.

The House adjourned to meet at ten of the clock in the morning on November 28, 1974.