

बिहार विधान सभा वादवृत्त

मंगलवार, तिथि १ जुलाई, १९५२

भारत के संविधान के उपबन्ध के अनुसार एकत्र विधान सभा का कार्य विवरण ।

सभा का अधिवेशन पटने के सभा सदन में मंगलवार, तिथि १ जुलाई १९५२ को ११ बजे पूर्वाह्न में माननीय अध्यक्ष श्री विन्धेश्वरी प्रसाद वर्मा के सभापतित्व में हुआ ।

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NUMBER OF CRIMES COMMITTED DURING THE LAST FIVE YEARS.

1. Shri HARIVANS NARAIN SINGH : Will Government be pleased to state—

(a) the number of crimes committed during the last five years, year by year the separately ;

(b) the number of crimes committed during January to March, 1952 ;

(c) the measures which have been decided to be adopted for checking crimes ?

The Hon'ble Dr. SHRI KRISHNA SINHA : (a) and (b) A statistical statement of major crimes against property and person giving the figures for the years 1947 to 1951 and again for the

INDISCRIMINATE ARRESTS.

13. **Shri YOGESHWAR GHOSH*** : Will the Hon'ble the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(a) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to a news published in a local English Daily under the caption "indiscriminate arrests have been made all over the subdivision during a simultaneous raid organised by the police" ;

(b) whether it is a fact that the persons against whom warrants were issued and houses searched include those persons who deposed against the criminals in cases under section 110 and another section of Cr. P. C. and co-operated with the police in suppressing dacoity and theft and securing law and order ;

(c) whether it is a fact that the whole raid was organised on a basis of a statement made by a notorious criminal under arrest ;

(d) whether it is a fact that a threatening letter written by the said criminal on whose statement the whole drama was staged, was handed over to the Magistrate, wherein, the accused had threatened the villagers to get him released on bail failing which they would be implicated by him ;

Shri KRISHNA BANJABI SAHAY : (a) to (c) The reply is in the affirmative. Two undertrial prisoners made a long and detailed confessions voluntarily to the Police separately and a third before the Magistrate giving full details about their alleged accomplices and receivers of stolen properties. The information thus obtained were analysed by the Senior District Officers and local C. I. D. and a list of 125 suspects in 46 villages in Madhubani Subdivision was prepared. In consultation with the District Magistrate, raids were carried out in the said villages with searches in the houses of the said suspects in the night of 15th/16th May 1952.

A few of the persons, whose houses were raided, claimed to have deposed against the said confessing criminals in cases and having generally co-operated with the Police. Subsequent verification has shown that there is little basis in most of these claims. However, the raiding parties supervised also by 8 Magistrates, had instructions to grant bail on the spot in most cases. In the entire raids, only 86 persons were actually arrested and of these 37 were bailed out by the Police at the spot and

* In the absence of the Questioner, reply was given at the request of Shri Bindeshwari Prasad Mandal.

only 29 remanded to Police custody. All the persons, who had claimed to have been witnesses in police cases, were enlarged on bail at the spot. Search in every case was made with due care and could not be postponed pending verification of such claims because information was that stolen properties and fire arms are likely to be recovered.

(d) This incident took place in village Kaithahi, Madhubani, P. S. It is true that one of the confessing prisoners, Jagrup had written letter to some of the persons searched in that village; close scrutiny of the said letter, however, shows that the threat given out by Jagrup to the said persons was not because of their helping the Police but for ignoring, after arrests, his interests though he was their old friend and associate. It may be pointed out that Jagrup had not named any of the persons who had actually arrested him. Also, the threat in the letter was that Jagrup would make disclosures against them if they failed to come to his help.

14. Shri YOGESHWAR GHOSH : *Will the Hon'ble the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(a) whether any report of the Magistrate who took part in the raid has been submitted regarding the desirability or otherwise of the raid all over the subdivision, if so, what is that report ;

(b) whether it is a fact that this raid has resulted in demoralising the public workers and the persons who had extended support to the police in suppressing the crime ;

(c) the total amount of expenses incurred in organising and carrying out the raid ;

(d) whether the police could recover during the raid any incriminating clues or articles in the houses searched ?

Shri KRISHNA BALLABH SAHAY : (a) Eight Magistrates were deputed to accompany police during the raids and of the reports submitted by them only one Magistrate referred to the said threatening letters against the persons searched from one of the confessing prisoners. The reply to clause (d) of question 13 may be referred to.

* In the absence of the questioner reply to S. N. question Nos. 14 and 23 were given at the request of Shri Bindeshwari Prasad Maudal and Shri Purushottam Chauhan respectively.