THE BIHAR LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY DEBATES.

The 30th March, 1939.

Proceedings of the Bihar Legislative Assembly assembled under the provisions of the Government of India Act, 1935.

The Assembly met in the Assembly Chamber at Patna, on Thursday, the 30th March, 1939, at 11-30 a.m., the Hon'ble the Speaker, Mr. Ramdayalu Sinha, in the Chair.

UNSTARRED QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

COLLECTION OF TOLLS IN HATS IN THE DISTRICT OF THE SANTAL PARGANAS.

359. Mr. BRIJLALL DOKANIA: Will Government be pleased to state whether there is any rule regulating the collection of tolls from the vegetable and other produce sellers in the privately-owned hat (markets) in the zamindari villages of the district of the Santal Parganas by the hat ijaradars; if so, whether they propose to lay on the table a copy thereof?

Mr. JAGAT NARAYAN LAL: The answer is in the negative.

Mr. BHAGBAN CHANDRA DAS: Are Government aware that such tolls are arbitrarily collected by the ijaradars?

The Hon'ble Mr. ANUGRAH NARAYAN SINHA: Government have no information, Sir.

Mr. MUHAMMAD YUNUS: Have Government decided to frame any rules?

The Hon'ble Mr. ANUGRAH NARAYAN SINHA: The Marketing Bill will probably be introduced in the House very soon and the question of framing rules will, thereafter, arise.

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[&]quot;In the absence of the questioner, the answer was given at the request of Mr. thingbar

ATTITUDE OF DR. B. P. VARMA TOWARDS DR. S. P. SINHA, CIVIL ASSISTANT SURGEON, ARRAH.

- 369. Pandit GUPTESHWAR PANDEY: Will Government be pleased to state—
- (a) whether they are aware that the said Dr. B. P. Varma, the present Civil Surgeon of the Arrah Sadr Hospital, was in the habit of interfering with the internal administration of the said hospital and compelled Dr. S. P. Sinha, the ex-assistant civil surgeon of the said hospital, to work indoors, instead of permitting him to manage both the outdoor and indoor sections;
- (b) what was the daily average attendance of the indoor patients for about four or five months during which the Assistant Civil Surgeon (Dr. S P. Sinha) was attached to the Arrah Sadr Hospital; and what was the figure for the same months during the previous ten years of the indoor patients of the said hospital;
- (c) whether it is a fact that a telegram was sent to the Inspector-General of Civil Hospitals, Bihar, by the said Dr. Sinha on the 4th of March 1938, intimating to him that the present District Magistrate and the then Sadr Subdivisional Officer were informed of the arbitrary and provocative behaviour of the said Civil Surgeon and the verbal order of suspension of the then Assistant Surgeon by the said Civil Surgeon; and if so, whether Government have made any enquiry from the aforesaid officials as to how the fact stood actually on the day; if so, what was the report of those officials;
- (d) whether it is a fact that the said Dr. Sinha was ordered by the said Civil Surgeon to make over charge of his office to the second medical officer who is an employee of the district board of Shahabad and whether the latter doctor was competent to receive such charge?
- Mr. BINODANAND JHA: (a) The Civil Surgeon rightly interfered with the internal management of the hospital in so far as the Assistant Surgeon failed to carry out his orders and neglected the indoor patients. As a matter of fact the Assistant Surgeon neither attended the outdoor nor the indoor patients even with a reasonable degree of care and attention for which he was often taken to task. He left the work of indoor ward entirely in the hands of the second medical officer and the Civil Surgeon disapproved of this arrangement.
- (b) Civil Assistant Surgeon Dr. S. P. Sinha was in charge of the Arrah Sadr Hospital with effect from 10th October 1937 to 4th March 1938, both days inclusive. A statement showing the daily average attendance of the indoor patients during his incumbency for the aforesaid months and the figures for the same months during the previous ten years of the Arrah Sadr Hospital is laid on the table.
- (c) The hon'ble member is referred to the answer given to his question no. 367.
- (d) The answer to the first part of the question is in the affirmative. The second medical officer was considered by the Civil Surgeon competent enough to take over charge temporarily.

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