

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 hats (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.

*To the absence of the questioner, the answer was given at the request of Mr. Brijlall Chandra Das.

SUSPENSION OF DR. S. P. SINHA.

370. Pandit GUPTESHWAR PANDEY : With reference to the answer given by Government to Assembly question no. 366 asked on the 9th May 1938 will Government be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that the cancellation of the order of suspension was actually communicated to Dr. S. P. Sinha on the 5th March 1938 and not on the 4th March as stated by Government in their answer to clauses (a) and (b) of aforesaid question ;

(b) the reason why the Civil Surgeon asked the ex-assistant surgeon to re-hand over charge to the Sub-Assistant Surgeon of the Police Hospital, Arrah, on the 5th when he (the ex-assistant surgeon) had no charge whatever as the charge had already been made over to the second medical officer of the said Arrah Sadr Hospital on the 4th ?

Mr. BINODANAND JHA : (a) The cancellation order was communicated to Dr. S. P. Sinha on the 5th March 1938 on receipt of his transfer order from the Inspector-General of Civil Hospitals at 7-35 P.M. on 4th March, 1938.

(b) As the report of the Assistant Surgeon having made over charge to the second medical officer at 9-45 P.M. on 4th March, 1938, was not received by the Civil Surgeon in time, he (Civil Surgeon) had to pass the order of handing over to the Sub-Assistant Surgeon of the Police Hospital who was then available. It was withdrawn when the Civil Surgeon was informed at 7-15 P.M. on 5th March 1938 that he had already made over to the second medical officer.

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PRESENCE OF THE JAIL DOCTOR DURING THE OPERATION PERFORMED IN EYE CASES AT THE ARRAH SADR HOSPITAL.

371. Pandit GUPTESHWAR PANDEY : Will Government be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that the present Civil Surgeon of the Arrah Sadr Hospital used to send for the jail doctor to operate in eye cases in the said hospital without the previous sanction of the Inspector-General of Prisons, Bihar, or the permission of the then Superintendent of the Arrah jail ;

(b) whether it is a fact that the aforesaid irregularity was brought to the notice of the Inspector-General of Prisons by the then Superintendent of the said jail who was the same officer as the then assistant surgeon of the Arrah Sadr Hospital ;

(c) whether it is a fact that the Inspector-General of Prisons did not approve of the aforesaid action of the said Civil Surgeon in sending for the said jail doctor to work in the said hospital ?

Mr. BINODANAND JHA : (a) The answer is in the negative. The jail doctor (P. Ganguly) is an L. O. of Madras and is keen on eye work. He used to attend operations performed by the Civil Surgeon during his spare