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Sir,

We are disturbed at the statement made by the Hon'ble Minister for Parliamentary Affairs that Government wish the discussion on the Banks Nationalisation Ordinance and Bill to be taken up some time next week after the Railway Budget has been discussed.

You will recall that five days commencing with Monday, the 9th March have been set apart for the general discussion on the General Budget is a matter of prime national importance. It is not right that the discussion on the Budget should be pushed aside or shifted to make way for a matter like the Banks Nationalisation Bill. There is no urgency of the kind that dictates such a wrong order of priorities because the ordinance in this connection is valid for six weeks from the 14th of February to April 2.

In view of this I would like to request that the general debate on the General Budget should commence first thing after the miscellaneous business on 9th March and that the discussion on Bank Nationalisation Ordinance, if it commences before that might be adjourned till after the general discussion on the General Budget concludes.

I shall be glad for a line in reply.

Yours truly,



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