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MOTION ON ADDRESS BY THE PRESIDENT

Amendments moved on 19th February, 1965

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SHRI YASHPAL SINGH :—

1. That at the end of the motion, the following be added, namely:—

“but regret—

- (a) the failure to evolve a suitable formula to solve the language policy of the Union,
- (b) that suitable action has not been taken to get back the Indian soil from the Chinese,
- (c) the failure in arresting the rise in prices of essential commodities and the deteriorating food situation, non-supply of the promised quota of imported wheat to U.P. as also failure to safeguard the interests of sugarcane growers,
- (d) the failure to uplift the backward classes,
- (e) that there is no mention in the Address in regard to the neglect of regional languages, encouragement of English and the creation of differences between North and South,
- (f) that there is no suggestion in the Address to remove increasing corruption, nepotism and impact of bureaucracy,
- (g) that there is no mention in the Address of deplorable law and order situation and administrative inaction and carelessness which is evident by the assassination of Shri Kairon and the failure to apprehend the assassins,
- (h) that there is no mention in the Address of the inefficiency of the Defence of India Rules, the arrest of the Communists at the time of Kerala elections and the maltreatment in jails of the members of Samyukta Socialist Party,
- (i) that there is no mention in the Address of the withdrawal of jeeps from Community Development Blocks in accordance with the Prime Minister's assurance, and
- (j) that there is no mention in the Address of the steps taken by Government to remove economic inequality.”

DR. L. M. SINGHVI :—

2. That at the end of the motion, the following be added, namely:—

“but regret—

- (a) the utter failure of communications on the language issue,
- (b) that the Address has not made any reference to bring about total utilization of the unemployed manpower available in the country and to enthuse the general mass of people to be directly interested in the developmental activities in order to build a prosperous country,

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- (c) the failure of food policy in the country and in securing proper co-ordination in the administration of food policy, so that in spite of a bumper crop this year, the problems of food shortage have been as acute as ever,
- (d) that demographic explosion stands threateningly poised to undo and to engulf our economic progress,
- (e) that no steps have been taken so far to establish the institution of 'Lokayukta' analogous to Scandinavian Ombudsman, and
- (f) that there is no reassuring arrangement to counter the Chinese nuclear threat."

SHRI TRIDIB KUMAR CHAUDHURI :—

3. That at the end of the motion, the following be added, namely:—
"but regret—

- (a) to note that the Address makes no mention of indiscriminate arrest and detention of the members of the Leftist Communist Party of India and other Leftist political workers and Trade-Unionists including Members of Parliament under the D.I.R. on trumped up charges unproven in a Court of law and of the failure of the Government to substantiate the charges in any manner although several weeks have passed since the policy of arrest and detention was launched in December, 1964,
- (b) to note that the Address fails to deal adequately with—
 - (i) the food and prices situation in the country and the failure of the Government to hold the price line;
 - (ii) the impact of unaccounted black money in the hands of profiteers, hoarders and speculators and the failure of the Government to mop up the same;
 - (iii) the failure of the Government to devise a generally acceptable Official Languages policy in terms of the assurance held out by the late Prime Minister Shri Jawaharlal Nehru so as to allay the apprehensions of the people of the non-Hindi speaking States as well as its failure to give equal encouragement for the development of all the national languages mentioned in the Eighth Schedule to the Constitution; and
 - (iv) the failure of the Government to improve relations with neighbouring States and to resolve the deadlock in its relations with the Peoples' Republic of China or to have the aggression against India either by China or Pakistan vacated."

SHRI SIVAMURTHI SWAMI :—

4. That at the end of the motion, the following be added, namely:—
"but regret—

- (a) that the Address wrongly said that English will continue as long as the non-Hindi speaking people require it whereas the regional language of any non-Hindi State should be an associate

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official language till they accept Hindi as official language of the Union."

- (b) to state that the Address has ignored to give a call to all political parties to join hands emotionally to establish national Government in the Centre and the States to meet the challenge of China,
- (c) that there is no mention in the Address of the failure to organise Voters Councils in all the Parliamentary Constituencies—
 - (i) to elect responsible legislators;
 - (ii) to educate them on rights and responsibilities of democratic State; and
 - (iii) to know the real public opinion in respect of important legislations."

SHRI U. M. TRIVEDI :—

5. That at the end of the motion, the following be added, namely:—

"but regret that in the Address there is no mention of—

- (a) the abnormal rise in prices of food stuffs and consumer goods and steps taken to check them,
- (b) steps to recover areas of Kashmir in possession of Pakistan and any indication to recover the territory illegally occupied by China,
- (c) the steps being taken to protect the life, liberty and property of those living on the border areas,
- (d) the steps taken to offer security to the lives of political leaders,
- (e) the security and firm administrative machinery in Nagaland, and
- (f) steps to effect a radical change in making Hindi the official language of India."

SHRI M. R. MASANI :—

6. That at the end of the motion, the following be added, namely:—

"but regret—

- (a) that the Address displays in general a dangerous amount of unjustified complacency and self-satisfaction and gives little indication of the grim economic situation, of the great distress suffered by the people due to food scarcity and high prices, and of the fact that the country has been taken to the brink of bankruptcy as shown by the Finance Minister's statement in Lok Sabha on February 17,
- (b) the absence of any indication of a policy that could effectively end inflation and create conditions permitting of rapid growth in industrial and agricultural production,
- (c) that, on the contrary, the Memorandum on the Fourth Plan referred to in the Address is calculated to lead to accelerated

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inflation and a general collapse of the economy and shows that no lesson has been learnt from the failures of the Second and Third Five Year Plans to fulfil most of their objectives,

- (d) that the Address does not suggest a positive policy by which India may be able adequately to resist nuclear blackmail on the part of Communist China,
- (e) that, while expressing concern over recent events in South-East Asia, the Address suggests the convening of a Geneva type Conference, notwithstanding the fact that the present grim situation in that region is a direct consequence of the two previous Geneva Conferences on Vietnam and Laos respectively and that the Address shows a singular lack of understanding of the fact that the defence of Laos, Vietnam and Malaysia against Chinese Communists expansionism is essential for the defence of India itself,
- (f) that the Address fails to express solidarity and support to the Government and the people of Malaysia in their resistance to aggression and to give any assurance of India's readiness to give military assistance to Malaysia."

H. H. MAHARAJA PRATAP KESHARI DEO :-

7. That at the end of the Motion, the following be added, namely :-
"but regret—

- (a) that in the Address there is no mention about the steps to root out corruption from the country which with its cancerous growth has corroded the moral fibre of the nation,
- (b) that the Address does not mention about—
 - (i) the memorial presented to the President by the Opposition M.Ps., and M.L.As. and certain leading men of Orissa, alleging serious charges of corruption against the former and present Chief Ministers and Ministers of Orissa and action taken thereon,
 - (ii) arbitrary decisions of the Cabinet sub-committee on corruption charges of Orissa Ministers without giving a chance to the complainants to substantiate those charges and about keeping the C.B.I. report a secret,
 - (iii) appointment of a commission of enquiry on charges of corruption against Orissa's former and present Ministers when the former challenged the findings of the report of C.B.I. on those charges, and
- (c) that while stressing the need for stricter monetary discipline, the Address does not indicate the abandonment of arbitrary unscientific and wasteful projects in the country, more particularly Tikerpara Dam project in Orissa."

SHRI ERA SEZHIYAN :-

8. That at the end of motion, the following be added, namely:-

"but regret the failure to take adequate notice of the strong feelings of the people of South India and the recent flare-ups in South and

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aggravating the situation by calling in military as a result of implementation of the language policy of the Government of India."

SHRI DINEN BHATTACHARYA :—

9. That at the end of the motion, the following be added, namely :—

"but regret the failure—

- (a) to solve food crisis and to check the rise in prices of essential commodities,
- (b) to eradicate nepotism and corruption in administration,
- (c) to apply the recommendations of the Patel Commission in whole of eastern U.P.,
- (d) to check the fall in real wages of wage earners in the country, particularly Government employees and industrial workers,
- (e) to rehabilitate properly millions of people migrated from East Pakistan before and after January, 1964,
- (f) to handle the language issue which resulted in mass arrest in large parts of India and wanton shooting by police and military on the people killing and injuring many,
- (g) to recognise and legalise all Indian languages mentioned in Schedule VIII of the Constitution of India in regard to administration, education and Central services, and
- (h) to guarantee democratic rights to the citizens by withdrawing the state of emergency and releasing all political persons arrested and detained under D.I.R."

SHRI M. MOHAMMAD ISMAIL :—

10. That at the end of the motion, the following be added, namely :—

"but regret that—

- (a) the Address has not laid sufficient emphasis on the failure of the Administration to foresee in time and take proper measures for preventing the serious developments that have taken place on the language question,
- (b) no mention has been made in the Address of the progress of measures taken to give relief and reassurance to the innumerable victims of the holocaust that took place in the Eastern parts of the country in the beginning of 1964,
- (c) the Address does not even refer to the indiscriminate arrests of innocent people especially members of the Muslim minority community under the D.I. Rules causing a deep sense of insecurity and frustration and does not mention about the wanton assaults leading in some cases even to death,
- (d) no reference has been made in the Address to any serious measures particularly designed to reduce the backwardness in economic development of certain parts of the country such as Assam and Kerala,

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- (e) the Address fails to take note of the inadequate representation of the Muslim minority community in the various services and legislatures of the country, and
- (f) the Address does not refer to the continued failure of the Administration to recognise in practice the regional character to the Urdu language as guaranteed in the Constitution."

SHRI HARI VISHNU KAMATH:—

11. That at the end of the motion, the following be added, namely:—

"but regret—

- (a) the failure of Government to take adequate measures to prepare the people, educationally and psychologically, for the acceptance of official language as laid down in the Constitution, in consequence whereof there was manifestation, in some States, of widespread discontent and active hostility to the changeover,
- (b) the failure of Government to take effective steps to hold the price line, and check the steep rise in prices of food-grains and other essential commodities, resulting in unbearable hardships to the poor and middle-classes of the community,
- (c) that the Address makes no mention whatsoever of the solemn pledge taken by Parliament to drive out the Chinese aggressor from our sacred soil, and betrays Government's lack of awareness of the potential menace to India from the collusion between China and Pakistan,
- (d) that in the Address while the development of a prosperous socialist society is claimed to be the basis of Governmental policies, no concrete programme has been chalked out for the advance of the nation towards a socialist order free from unemployment, exploitation and capitalist hold over the national economy, and
- (e) that Government continues to be wilfully negligent in its duty to strive for the amelioration of the economic condition of agricultural workers, and to ensure to peasants social justice and a fair deal without which agricultural production and development will continue to be in the doldrums, and the food problem will baffle solution."

SHRI N. C. CHATTERJEE:—

12. That at the end of the motion, the following be added, namely:—

"but regret that in the Address no mention has been made of—

- (a) the economic crisis and the shortage of foreign exchange which threatens the commercial and financial stability of the country.

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| | (b) the continued aggression across the Indo-Pak border and the persistent anti-Indian propaganda in the Pakistan Press and Radio, |
| | (c) the anti-national activities carried on by some Indian nationals over Kashmir and Nagaland, |
| | (d) the failure to hold the price line and the acute misery caused to the middle classes and the people of the lower income group, and |
| | (e) the tragic assassination of Sardar Pratap Singh Kairon who came to Delhi to interview the Prime Minister". |

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S. L. SHAKDHER,

Secretary.