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PREFACE

The following pages contain Resume of Business transacted by the Fourth Vidhan Sabha during its first Session held in March-April-May, 1967 together with the bulletins issued daily after the adjournment of each sitting of the Sabha.

It is hoped that the publication would be found useful by Members and others who may wish to know in details what work was done each day by the Vidhan Sabha in the last session.

Any suggestion for the further improvement of this publication in future would be very gratefully welcomed.

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SUMMONING, SITTINGS AND PROROGATION OF THE VIDHAN SABHA

The fourth Punjab Vidhan Sabha was summoned to meet for its 1st (Budget) Session, 1967, in the Hall of the Punjab Vidhan Bhavan, Chandigarh, on Monday, the 20th March, 1967, by an Order of the Governor, dated the 16th March, 1967 and continued to meet till the 6th April, 1967, when it was adjourned *sine die*. Under the second proviso to Rule 16 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly, the Vidhan Sabha was again called by the Speaker to meet on Friday, the 5th of May, 1967 and it continued to meet till the 26th May, 1967 when it was again adjourned *sine die*. It was prorogued by an Order of the Acting Governor of Punjab, dated the 6th June, 1967. During the Session, the Sabha held 29 sittings.

PROGRAMME OBSERVED BY THE FOURTH PUNJAB VIDHAN SABHA DURING ITS FIRST SESSION HELD FROM THE 20TH MARCH TO THE 26TH MAY, 1967

Date	Programme
20th March, 1967 (2-00 p. m. to 3.40 p.m.)	Oath or Affirmation by the Members.
21st March, 1967 (Morning Setting) (10-00 a.m. to 10-28 a.m.)	(i) Oath or Affirmation by the Members. (ii) Election of Speaker.
21st March, 1967 (Afternoon Sitting) (3-30 p.m.)	Governor's Address to the members of both the Houses assembled together.
22nd March, 1967 (Morning Sitting) (10-00 a.m. to 11-02 a.m.)	(i) Oath or Affirmation by a Member (ii) References to the deaths of the late— (a) Dr. Gopi Chand Bhargava, Ex-Chief Minister, Punjab. (b) Dr. Atma Singh, Ex. M.L.A. (c) Capt. Keshub Chandra, Arya Samaj and Jan Sangh Leader. (iii) Presentation of the Supplementary Estimates for the year 1966-67.
22nd March, 1967 (Afternoon Sitting) (2-00 p.m. to 2-05 p.m.)	Presentation and adoption of the Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
23rd March, 1967	.. Off-day.

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24th March, 1967 25th March, 1967 26th March, 1967.	Holidays
27th March, 1967 (2-00 p.m. to 2-50 p.m.)	(i) Discussion on the Supplementary Estimates for the year 1966-67. (ii) The Punjab Appropriation Bill, 1967. (iii) Election of Deputy Speaker.
28th March, 1967 (9-00 a.m. to 9-55 a.m.)	Presentation of the Budget Estimates for the year 1967-68 and the 'Vote on Account' 1967-68(for three months i.e. April, May and June, 1967).
29th March, 1967 (9-00 a.m. to 1-00 p.m.)	Discussion on the Demands for Grants on Accounts for April, May, June, 1967 and Voting of Demands for Grants on Account.
30th March, 1967 (9-00 a.m. to 1-05 p.m.)	The Punjab Appropriation (Vote on Account) Bill, 1967.
31st March, 1967 (9-00 a.m. to 1-30 p.m.)	Non-official Business—Resolution—"That this House recommends with a view to ensuring fair remunerative price to the producer, and fair distribution and availability at reasonable rates to the consumer of all foodgrains, the Government should take immediate steps to resort to State Trading in foodgrains." (Continued on the 11th May, 1967).
1st April, 1967	.. off-day.
2nd April, 1967	.. Holiday
3rd April, 1967 (2-00 p.m. to 6-30.p.m.)	Discussion of the Governor's Address (Continued on the 4th April, 1967).
4th April, 1967 (2-00 p.m. to 6-30 p.m.)	Resumption of discussion of the Governor's Address (Continued on the 5th April, 1967).
5th April, 1967 (1-00 p.m. to 4-44 p.m.)	Resumption of discussion of the Governor's Address (Concluded).
6th April, 1967 (9-00 a.m. to 10-27 a.m.)	Motion regarding adjournment of the House *sine die*.

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7th April, 1967 to 4th May, 1967	.. Adjournment of the House.
5th May, 1967 (2-00 p.m. to 4.22 p.m.)	No formal business was transacted.
6th May, 1967	.. Off-day.
7th May, 1967	.. Holiday.
8th May, 1967 (2-00 p.m. to 6-28 p.m.)	(i) Reference to the death of Sardar Boota Singh, Ex-Deputy Speaker, Punjab Vidhan Sabha. (ii) Presentation and adoption of the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee. (iii) Motion regarding nomination of three M. L. C.s each on the Public Accounts Committee and the Estimates Committee. (iv) General discussion of the Budget for the year 1967-68 (Continued on the 9th May, 1967).
9th May, 1967 (2-00 p.m. to 6-30 p.m.)	(i) References to the deaths of— (a) Munshi Ahmed Din. (b) Seth Sudarshan, Ex-M.L.A. (ii) Resumption of general discussion of the Budget for the year 1967-68 (Continued on the 10th May, 1967).
10th May, 1967 (2-00 p. m. to 6-30 p.m.)	Resumption of general discussion of the Budget for the year 1967-68 (Continued on the 12th May, 1967).
11th May, 1967 (2-00 p.m. to 6-35 p.m.)	Non-official Business— Resolution— (Resumption of discussion on the following resolution moved by Pandit Mohan Lal, M.L.A. on the 31st March, 1967:— "This House recommends that with a view to ensuring fair remunerative price to the producer, and fair distribution and availability at reasonable rates to the consumer, of all foodgrains, the Government should take immediate steps to resort to State Trading in foodgrains (Carried as amended.)

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12th May, 1967 (10-30 a.m. to 2-30 p.m.)	Resumption of general discussion of the Budget for the year 1967-68 (Concluded).
13th May, 1967 14th May, 1967	.. Holidays
15th May, 1967 (2-00 p.m. to 6-30 p.m.)	Discussion on the Government Demands for Grants (Demands Nos. 9 and 12) (Continued on the 16th May, 1967).
16th May, 1967 (9-00 a.m. to 1-22 p.m.)	Resumption of discussion on the Government Demands for Grants (Demands Nos. 9 and 12) (Concluded).
17th May, 1967 (9-00 a.m. to 1-12 p.m.)	Discussion on the Government Demands for Grants (Demands Nos. 19, 42, 26, 27, 28, 44 and 45).
18th May, 1967 (9-00 a.m. to 1-30 p.m.)	(i) Presentation and adoption of the Third Report of the Business Advisory Committee. (ii) Non-Official Business—Resolution— "That Chandigarh and such of its surrounding areas as form part of the Union Territory at present, are Punjabi-speaking areas, this House recommends to the Government to take effective steps for the merger of Chandigarh and the surrounding areas in Punjab (Carried as amended).
19th May, 1967 (7-00 a.m. to 10-24 a.m.)	Discussion on the Government Demands for Grants (DemandsNos. 22, 43 and 24).
20th May, 1967	.. Off-day.
21st May, 1967	.. Holiday
22nd May, 1967 (2-00 p.m. to 6-27 p.m.)	(i) Presentation of the First Report of the Rules Committee. (ii) Discussion on the Government Demand for Grant (Demand No. 16).

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23rd May, 1967 (2-00 p.m. to 5-04 p.m.)	(i) Discussion on the Government Demands for Grants (Demands Nos. 17 and 18).
	(ii) All other Government Demands for Grants (Concluded).
24th May, 1967 (2-00 p.m. to 7.35 p.m.)	The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1967.
25th May, 1967 (2-00 p. m. to 6.30 p.m.)	Discussion on No-confidence motion (Continued on the 26th May, 1957).
26th May, 1967 (11-00 a.m. to 3-23 p.m.)	(i) Motion regarding adjourment of the House *sine die*.
	(ii) Resumption of discussion on the No-confidence motion. (Motion declared lost)

ELECTION OF SPEAKER AND DEPUTY SPEAKER

The Vidhan Sabha elected Lt. Col. Joginder Singh Mann and Dr. Jagjit Singh as Speaker and Deputy Speaker on the 21st and 27th March, 1967, respectively.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Leave of absence from the sittings of Budget Session, 1967 was granted to Sardar Harjinder Singh Behla, M.L.A., on the 9th May, 1967.

PANEL OF CHAIRMEN

On the 22nd March, 1967, the Speaker nominated the followingon the Panel of Chairmen under rule 13 (1):—

1. Shri Lal Chand Suberwal
2. Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjeet
3. Shri Mohan Lal
4. Sardar Surjit Singh

COMMITTEES
NOMINATED BY THE SPEAKER
(1) I. BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

(Nominated on the 21st March, 1967, under Rule 33 (1) and (3))

1. The Speaker,—*Ex-officio Chairman.*
2. Dr. Baldev Parkash, Finance Minister.

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3. Shri Bashambar Nath.
4. Sardar Darbara Singh (Nur-Mahal).
5. Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjeet.
6. Shri Prabodh Chandra.

Special Invitee

7. Sardar Gurcharan Singh, Chief Parliamentary Secretary. (Nominated on 4th May, 1967).

(2) HOUSE COMMITTEE

(Nominated on the 30th March, 1967, under Rule 267)

1. Dr. Jagjit Singh, Deputy Speaker,—*Chairman.*
2. Chaudhri Satya Dev.
3. Sardar Karnail Singh (Pakka Kalan).
4. Shri Gurmail Singh.
5. Sardar Gurbachan Singh (Rupur).

Special Invitee

6. Miss Sarla Prasher.

(3) COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES

[*Nominated on the 5th May, 1967, under Rule 274 (1) and (2)*]

1. Shri Lal Chand Suberwal .. .. .. *Chairman*
2. Shri A. Vishwa Nathan.
3. Comrade Bhan Singh Bhaura.
4. Sardar Darbara Singh (Nur-Mahal).
5. Dr. Gurcharan Singh.
6. Sardar Harbhajan Singh.
7. Sardar Harcharan Singh Brar.
8. Pandit Mohan Lal.
9. Chaudhri Sunder Singh.
10. Sardar Surjit Singh.

(4) RULES COMMITTEE

(*Nominated on the 10th May, 1967 under Rule 254*)

1. The Speaker,—*Ex-officio-Chairman.*
2. Dr. Baldev Parkash, Finance Minister.
3. Sardar Lachhman Singh Gill, Minister for Education and Irrigation and Power.
4. Comrade Bhan Singh Bhaura.
5. Shri Brish Bhan.
6. Chaudhri Darshan Singh.
7. Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjeet.
8. Pandit Mohan Lal.

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(5) Committee on Government Assurances

[*Nominated on the* 18*th May*, 1967, *under Rules* 261]

1. Jathedar Mohan Singh.
2. Chaudhri Balbir Singh.
3. Dr. Bhagat Singh.
4. Sardar Dalip Singh Tapiala.
5. Shri Harbans Lal Khanna.
6. Capt. Rattan Singh.
7. Miss Sarla Prasher.
8. Sardar Sardar Singh Kohli.
9. Sardar Sikandar Singh.

The Speaker has appointed Jathedar Mohan Singh as Chairman of the Committee under rule 262 (1).

Note.—Chaudhri Balbir Singh, M.L.A. withdrew his name from the Committee *vide* his letter dated 30th June, 1967.

(6) Committee on Subordinate Legislation

[*Nominated on the* 13*th May*, 1967 *under Rule* 265-*B* (1) *and* (2)]

1. Shri Lal Chand Suberwal,—*Chairman*
2. Dr. Gurcharan Singh.
3. Shri Gurmail Singh.
4. Sardar Harbhajan Singh.
5. Sardar Jasdev Singh Samrala.
6. Sardar Karnail Singh (Pakka Kalan)
7. Sardar Nachhattar Singh.
8. The Advocate General.

(7) Library Committee

[*Nominated on* 18*th May, 1967 under Rule* 266]

*1. Sardar Harcharan Singh Hudiara,—*Chairman.*
2. Sardar Amrik Singh.
3. Shri Kapur Chand Jain.
4. Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill.
5. Sardar Narinder Singh.
6. Comrade Phuman Singh.

**Note.*—Resigned from the Chairmanship of the Committee with effect from 12th July, 1967.

(8) Committee on Petitions

[*Nominated on the* 18*th May*, 1967, *under Rule* 293 (1)]

1. Dr. Jagjit Singh Chohan (Deputy Speaker), *Ex-Officio* Chairman.
2. Bhagat Guran Dass Hans.
3. Sardar Gardhara Singh.
4. Shri Chhajju Ram.
5. Sardar Hardit Singh of Nathana.

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II. ELECTED BY THE SABHA

On the 5th April, 1967, the Public Accounts Committee
(Under Rule 250)

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

1. Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjeet,—*Chairman.*
2. Sardar Amar Singh Dosanjh.
3. Sardar Bakhtawar Singh.
4. Sardar Baldev Singh.
5. Comrade Bhan Singh Bhaura.
*6. Sardar Gurmit Singh.
7. Sardar Natha Singh.
8. Acharya Prithvi Singh 'Azad'.
9. Sri A. Visnwa Nathan.

*Sardar Gurmit Singh resigned from the membership of the Committee on his appointment as Minister of State, Punjab, on the 5th May, 1967. In his place Shri Manmohan Kalia was elected as member on the 22nd May, 1967.

The Punjab Vidhan Parishad having concurred in the motion carried by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha, nominated the following members to associate with the Public Accounts Committee:—

1. Master Hari Singh.
2. Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura.
3. Sardar Rajinder Singh.

On the 5th April, 1967, the Committee on Estimates
(Under Rule 252)

COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES

**1. Tikka Jagtar Singh,— *Chairman* (Up to 4th May, 1967).
**2. Shri Balramji Dass Tandon, Chairman (From 12th May,1967).
**3. Sardar Balwant Singh.
4. Chaudhri Darshan Singh.
5. Sardar Harbhagwan Singh.
6. Sardar Jagir Singh Dard.
7. Shri Ram Parkash Dass.
8. Shri Satpal Kapur.
9. Sardar Surjit Singh.

**Lieut. Bhag Singh and Comrade Jangir Singh 'Joga' were elected on the 22nd May, 1967 in place of Tikka Jagtar Singh and Sardar Balwant Singh, who ceased to be Members of the Committee on the 5th May, 1967 on their appointment, respectively, as Deputy Minister and Minister, Punjab. Shri BalramjiDass Tandon was appointed as Chairman of the Committee with effect from the 12th May, 1957 in place of Tikka Jagtar Singh.

The Punjab Vidhan Parishad having concurred in the motion carried by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha, nominated the following members to associate

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with the Committee on Estimates:—

1. Chaudhri Kartar Singh.
2. Sardar Ram Dayal Singh.
3. Shrimati Sita Devi.

Governor's Address

The Governor addressed members of both the Houses assembled together on Tuesday, the 21st March, 1967, at 3-30 p.m.

The Speaker laid a copy of the Governor's Address before the Sabha on the 22nd March, 1967.

The motion of thanks on the Address was moved by Shri Balramji Dass Tandon, and seconded by Comrade Jangir Singh Joga, on the 3rd April, 1967.

The Motion was discussed on —

The 3rd April, 1967	.. For 221 minutes (Treasury 108 minutes and Opposition 113 minutes)
The 4th April, 1967	.. For 225 minutes (Treasury 83 minutes and Opposition 142 minutes)
The 5th April, 1967	.. For 184 minutes (Treasury 73 minutes and Opposition 111 minutes)

Twenty-nine members took part in the discussion, 13 from the Treasury Benches (including the Chief Minister) and 16 from the Opposition Benches, speaking for 264 minutes and 366 minutes, respectively.

Two amendments from the Opposition were moved to the motion. One amendment was carried and the other was declared redundant. The motion, as amended, was carried on the 5th April, 1967.

It was communicated by the Speaker to the Governor on the 6th April, 1967.

References

References to the deaths of the following were made by the Chief Minister and the Leader of the Opposition on the dates mentioned against each:—

Name of the deceased	*Date on which reference was made*
1. Dr. Gopi Chand Bhargava, Ex-Chief Minister, Punjab 2. Dr. Atma Singh, Ex-M.L.A. 3. Captain Keshub Chander, Arya Samaj and Jan Sangh Leader.	22nd March, 1967

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Name of the deceased	*Date on which reference was made*
4. Sardar Boota Singh, Ex-Deputy Speaker, Punjab Vidhan Sabha	.. 8th May, 1967.
5. Munshi Ahmed Din	9th May, 1967.
6. Seth Sudarshan, Ex. M.L.A.	

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed. All the members stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased.

Messages of condolences and sympathy on behalf of the Vidhan Sabha were sent as under.

	Name of deceased	*Name of next of kin/ authority*
1.	Dr. Gopi Chand Bhargava, Ex. Chief Minister, Punjab	Dr. Fateh Chand Bhargava, Sector 10, Chandigarh
2.	Dr. Atma Singh, Ex. M.L.A.	The Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar
3.	Captain Keshub Chander, Arya Samaj and Jan Sangh Leader.	The Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar
4.	Sardar Boota Singh, Ex-Deputy Speaker, Punjab Vidhan Sabha.	The Deputy Commissioner, Karnal.
5.	Munshi Ahmed Din	The Deputy Commissioner, Delhi.
6	Seth Sudarshan, Ex ML.A.	Seth Raj Kumar Sudarshan, 20- East Nizam-U-Din, New Delhi

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FINANCIAL BUSINESS

I. Supplementary Estimates for the year 1966-67.

(i) Supplementary Estimates for the year 1966-67, were presented to the Sabha on the 22nd March, 1967, (morning sitting) and discussed and voted upon on the 27th March, 1967.

There were 10 demands in all, totalling a sum of Rs 1,65,35,200.

In accordance with the past practice a general discussion on all the Supplementary Demands was permitted. One member from the Opposition participated in the Debate, speaking for 5 minutes. All the demands were, one by one, put to vote and carried.

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(ii) *The Punjab Appropriation Bill,* 1967.—The Punjab Appropriation Bill, 1967 (Bill No. 1-PLA of 1967), in respect of the Supplementary Demands voted by the Sabha on the 27th March, 1967, was introduced the same day. It was before the Sabha for 7 minutes.

The Minister for Public Works and Education participated in the Debate speaking for 5 minutes.

The Bill was passed.

II. *The vote on Account 1967-68* **(For three months, i. e., from 1st April, to 30th June, 1967.)**

(i) The Vote on Account 1967-68 (for three months from 1st April to 30th June, 1967), was presented to the Sabha on the 28th March, 1967 and discussed and voted upon on the 29th March, 1967.

There were 50 demands in all totalling a sum of Rs 58,24,98,560.

General discussion on all the Demands for Grants on Account was permitted. Five members from the Treasury Benches (including the Public Works and Education Minister and the Finance Minister) and three from the Opposition participated in the Debate, speaking for 102 minutes and 87 minutes, respectively. In consultation with the House, the Demands were put to vote of the House in groups and carried.

(ii) *The Punjab Appropriation (Vote on Account) Bill,* 1967.—The Punjab Appropriation (Vote on Account) Bill, 1967 (Bill No. 2-PLA of 1967) in respect of the Vote on Account for three months from 1st April, to 30th June, 1967 was introduced on the 30th March, 1967.

It was before the Sabha for 203 minutes.

Four Members each from the Treasury Benches (including the Revenue and Development Minister, the Chief Minister and the Finance Minister) and the Opposition participated in the Debate speaking for 113 minutes and 86 minutes, respectively.

The Bill was passed.

III. Budget Estimates for the year 1967-68

The Budget Estimates for the year 1967-68 were presented to the House by the Finance Minister on the 28th March, 1967.

(i) *General Discussion.*—The General discussion on the Budget was held on the—

8th May .. For 167 minutes (Treasury 69 minutes and Opposition 98 minutes).

9th May .. For 183 minutes (Treasury 182 minutes and Opposition 1 minute).

10th May .. For 182 minutes (Treasury 113 minutes and Opposition 69 minutes).

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12 th May .. for 140 minutes (Treasury 83 minutes, Opposition 42 minutes and an Independent Member 15 minutes)

The total time taken by the Treasury Benches 447 minutes, by Opposition 210 minutes and by an Independent Member 15 minutes. The total mumber of members who participated in the discussion was 25 (16 from the Treasury Benches including the Deputy Finance Minister and Finance Minister, 8 from the Opposition Benches and an Independent member).

(ii) *Demands for grants.*—There were in all 50 demands for Grants totalling a sum of Rs 2,35,45,66,160.

Demands Nos. 9, 12, 19, 42, 26, 27, 28, 44, 45, 22, 43, 24, 16, 17 and18 were specifically discussed in Groups and voted upon separately except Demands Nos. 17 and 18 which were put to the Sabha on 23rd May, 1967 and carried after guillotine. The rest of the Demands numbering 35 were put together and carried. For details see statement at page 21 *Infra.*

(iii) *The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill,* 1967.—The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1967 (Bill No. 10-PLA of 1967) in respect of the demands voted by the Sabha on the 23rd May, 1967, was introduced on the 24th May, 1967.

It was before the House for 280 minutes. six members from the Treasury Benches (including Finance Minister), 4 members from the Opposition and an Independent member participted in the debate, speaking for 129, 134, and 12 minutes respectively.

The Bill was passed.

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Detailed statement showing the number of amendments moved and number of Speeches made in respect of Demand/ Groups of Demands and the dates on which they were discussed

Serial No.	Demand No.	Subject	Date on which discussed	Number of speeches			Time taken in minutes			Amendments proposed			Amendments	
				Try.	Opp.	Ind.	Try.	Opp.	Ind.	Try.	Opp.	Ind.	with-drawn	Lost
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
1.	9	19—General Administration ..	15-5-67 &	11	8	1	240	184	18	1	4	..	1	4
	12	23—Police ..	16-5-67											
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	42	95—Capital Outlay on Schemes of Agri-.. culture Improvement and Research ..								.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..
	26	42—Multipurpose River Schemes ..								..	..	..	..	..
	27	43—Irrigation, Navigation, Embankment .. and Drainage Works (Commercial) .. 44—Irrigation, Navigation, Embankment.. and Drainage Works (Non-commercial)	17-5-67	6	6	..	109	89	..	..	1	..	..	1
	28	Charges on Irrigation Establishment..								..	..	..	..	..
	44	98—Capital Outlay on Multipurpose .. River Scheme ..								..	..	..	..	..
	45	99—Capital Outlay on Irrigation, Naviga-.. tion, Embankment and Drainage Works.. (Commercial) ..								..	..	..	..	..
3.	22	35—Industries ..												
	43	96—Capital Outlay on Industrial and .. Economic Development— ..	19-5-67	8	4	..	134	75	..	..	..	..	..	..
	24	38—Labour and Employment ..												
4.	16	28—Education	22-5-67	5	5	1	102	87	17	..	..	..	..	..
5.	17	29—Medical ..	23-5-67	4	4	..	60	45	..	..	..	..	..	..
	18	30—Public Health .												

N.B.—Rest of the Demands for Grants were also disposed of on the 23rd May, 1967, after Guillotine—

LEGISLATION

The Sabha transacted legislative business on the—

27th March,
30th March, and
24th May, 1967.

It passed three Appropriation Bills (*See* Table I).

There were Seven original official Bills which were not introduced and stood lapsed on the prorogation of the Vidhan Sabha (*See* Table II).

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TABLE I

Sr. No.	Title of the Bill	Minister introducing	Date of introduction	Date of consideration	Number of speeches			Time taken in minutes			Amendments			Total time taken for disposal in minutes including the time taken for stating the motion	Date of passing	Date of transmission to Parishad	Date when received back from the Parishad	Remarks
					Try.	Opp.	Ind.	Try.	Opp.	Ind.	Try.	Opp.	Ind.					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
1.	The Punjab Appropriation Bill, 1967	Finance Minister	27-3-1967	27-3-1967	1	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	7	27-3-1967	27-3-1967	29-3-1967	
2.	The Punjab Appropriation (Vote on Account) Bill, 1967	Finance Minister	30-3-1967	30-3-1967	4	4	..	113	86	6	..	..	..	23	30-3-1967	30-3-1967	31-3-1967	
3.	The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1967	Finance Minister	24-5-1967	24-5-1967	6	4	1	129	134	12	..	..	..	280	24-5-1967	25-5-1967	3-6-1967	

TABLE II

OFFICIAL BILLS RECEIVED BUT NOT INTRODUCED

1. The Pepsu Townships Development Board (Amendment) Bill, 1967.
2. The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1967.
3. The Punjab Professions, Trades, Callings and Employment Taxation (Repealing) Bill, 1967.
4. The Land Acquisition (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1967.
5. The Pepsu Occupancy Tenants (Vesting of Proprietary Rights) Amendment Bill, 1967.
6. The East Punjab War Awards (Amendment) Bill, 1967.
7. The Punjab Land Revenue (Amendment) Bill, 1967.

SYNOPSIS OF BILLS PASSED BY THE PUNJAB VIDHAN SABHA DURING ITS BUDGET SESSION, 1967.

1. **The Punjab Appropriation Bill, 1967. (Introduced on 27th March, 1967; passed on 27th March, 1967).**

This Bill provides for the appropriation from and out of the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab of sums required to meet the Supplementary Grants made by he Vidhan Sabha and expenditure charged on the Consolidated Fund of the State for the financial year 1966-67.

2. **The Punjab Appropriation (Vote on Account) Bill, 1967. (Introduced on 30th March, 1967; passed on 30th March, 1967).**

This Bill provides for the appropriation from and out of the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab of sums required to meet the grants made by the Vidhna Sabha and expenditure charged on the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab for a part of the financial year 1967-68.

3. **The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1967. (Introduced on 24th May, 1967, passed on 24th May, 1967).**

This Bill provides for the appropriation from and out of the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab of the sums required to meet the grants made by the Vidhan Sabha and expenditure charged on the Consolidated Fund of the State for the financial year 1967-68.

RESOLUTIONS (NON OFFICIAL)

1. Number of Notices received	Treasury Benches	..	72	
	Opposition Benches	..	59	133
	Unattached	..	2	
2. Number admitted	Treasury Benches	..	46	
	Opposition Benches	..	47	95
	Unattached	..	2	
3. Number disallowed	Treasury Benches		Nil	
	Opposition Benches		5	

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4.	Number Referred Back	Treasury Benches	.. 4	
5.	Number renewed		.. Nil	
6.	Number of Resolutions not dealt with because of the decision that not more than one resolution of a Member shall be admitted for one non-official day	Treasury Benches	.. 27	
		Opposition Benches	.. 2	
7.	Total number of resolutions for Ballot	Treasury Benches	.. 46	95
		Opposition Benches	.. 47	
		Unattached	.. 2	
8.	Number of Ballots held		.. 5	
9.	Dates on which Ballots held	29-3-1967; 1-4-1967; 5-5-1967; 12-5-1967; and 24-5-1967.		
10.	Dates on which business other than Government Business was transacted	31-3-1967; 11-5-1967 and 18-5-1967.		

Note.—In accordance with the decision of the House accepting the recommendation of the Business Advisory Committee, Non-official Business was transacted on Friday the 31st March, 1967, instead of 30th March, 1967; 6th April, 1967, could not be utilised for transacting non-official business due to uproar in the Sabha resulting in its adjournment *sine-die*. On 25th May, 1967 "No-Confidence Motion" against the Ministry was discussed in accordance with the decision of the Speaker announced by him in the Sabha on the 24th May, 1967 so the ballot held for that day could not be utilised.

RESOLUTIONS MOVED, DISCUSSED AND CARRIED

1. On Friday, the 31st March, 1967, Shri Mohan Lal, M.L.A., moved the resolution that—

> "This House recommends with a view to ensuring fair remunerative price to the producer, and fair distribution and availability at reasonable rates to the consumer of all foodgrains, the Government should take immediate steps to resort to State Trading in foodgraints."

The resolution was discussed on the 31st March, 1967 and 11th May, 1967 and thus remained before the House for 361 minutes. Eleven Members from the Treasury Benches, including the Minister for Public Works and Education and the Minister for Development and Local Government and seven Members from the Opposition Benches participated in the debate for 195 minutes and 166 minutes, respectively.

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The amendment to the resolution given notice of by Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjit, M.L.A., was moved, discussed along with the resolution on the 11th March, 1967, put to the vote of the House and carried.

The resolution, as amended—

> "This House recommends with a view to ensuring fair remunerative price to the producer, and fair distribution and availability at reasonable rates to the consumer, of all foodgrains, the Government should take immediate steps to resort to State Trading in foodgrains in accordance with the policy laid down in Governor's Address"

was put to the vote of the House and carried.

2. On Thursday, the 18th March, 1967, Acharya Prithvi Singh Azad, M.L.A., moved the following resolution—

> "In view of the fact that Chandigarh and such of its surrounding areas as form part of the Union Territory at present, are Punjabi-speaking areas, this House recommends to the Government to take effective steps for the merger of Chandigarh and the surrounding areas in Punjab"

The resolution was discussed on the 18th March, 1967 and thus remained before the House for 212 minutes. Eight Members from the Treasury Benches including the Chief Minister and five Members from the Opposition Benches participated in the debate for 93 minutes and 119 minutes, respectively.

The amendment to the resolution given notice of by Comrade Bhan Singh Bhaura, M.L.A., was moved, discussed along with the resolution, put to the vote of the House and carried.

The resolution, as amended—

> "In view of the fact that entire erstwhile Kharar tehsil including Chandigarh, are Punjabi speaking areas, this House recommends to the Government to take effective steps for their inclusion in Punjab"

was put to the vote of the House and carried.

No-Confidence Motion

The motion "that the House expresses its want of confidence in the Punjab Ministry as a whole" given notice of by Shri Prabodh Chandra, M.L.A., on the 24th May, 1967, having been held in order, leave to move the same was granted by the House the same day.

It was moved by Shri Prabodh Chandra, M.L.A. on the 25th May, 1967, and was considered by the House for two days i., e., 25th and 26th May, 1967. Nine members from the Opposition and 10 members (including the Chief Minister, the Revenue Minister and a Minister of State.)

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from the Treasury Benches took part in the discussion of the motion speaking for 252 minutes and 190 minutes respectively.

Shri Prabodh Chandra, the mover, in reply, spoke for 5 minutes.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and declared lost.

NAMING/WITHDRAWAL OF A MEMBER FROM THE HOUSE—

On the 9th May, 1967, when the Speaker referred to the adjournment motion given notice of by Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill, M.L.A., the Honourable Member got up and began to speak and continued speaking despite warnings by the Speaker to stop making a speech.

The Speaker named the Honourable Member and asked him to withdraw from the House for the day for persistently obstructing the proceedings. He further ordered that whatever the Member had said would not form part of the proceedings. Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill withdrew from the House.

Later on, on a request from the Leader of the Opposition that Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill was to address the House on the Budget and that he might be allowed to come back in the House, the Speaker agreed provided the honourable Member expressed his regret for his conduct and assured the House that he would maintain its dignity in future. The Honourable Member returned but expressed no regret. On his refusal the Speaker ordered him to leave the House. The Member refused. But when the Speaker ordered the Marshal to take him out, the entire Opposition staged a walk-out.

PAPERS PRESENTED/LAID

The following papers were presented to/laid before the Sabha.

Sr. No.	By whom presented/ laid	Date on which presented/laid	Subject
1.	Speaker ..	22-3-1967	Governor's Address under Rule 18 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly
2.	Secretary ..	Ditto	Statement showing the Bills which had been passed by the Punjab State Legislature during its Budget Session, 1966 and which had since been assented to by the Governor.
3.	Revenue Minister ..	Ditto	The Punjab Warehouses (Amendment) Rules, 1966 as required under section 34 (3) of the Punjab Warehouses Act, 1957.
4.	Ditto	Ditto	The Third Annual Report of the Punjab Agricultural University for the year 1964-65 as required under section 34 of the Punjab Agricultural University Act, 1961.

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1	2	3	4
5.	Chief Minister	22-3-1967	The Delimitation Commission Order No. 13 regarding the Delimitation of Parliamentary and Assembly Constituencies in the State of Punjab as required under section 10 (3) of the Delimitation Commission Act, 1962.
6.	Finance Minister	Ditto	The Supplementary Estimates for the year 1966-67.
7.	Finance Minister	28-3-1967	The Budget for the year 1967-68, along with the Vote on Account (for three months from 1st April to 30th June, 1967).
8.	Chief Minister	29-3-1967	The Punjab Anatomy Rules, 1966, as required under section 10 (3) of the Punjab Anatomy Act, 1963.
9.	Chief Minister	30-3-1967	The Election Commission's Order No. 13A, dated the 2nd February, 1967 relating to corrections to the Delimitation Commission's Order No. 13, dated the 23rd November, 1966, regarding the Delimitation of Parliamentary and Assembly Constituencies in the State of Punjab as required under section 11 (2) of the Delimitation Commission Act, 1962.
10.	Ditto	3-4-1967	The Annual Statements of Accounts of the Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 1961-62, 1962-63 and 1963-64 together with the Audit Reports thereon as required under section 69 (5) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.
11.	Revenue and Development Minister	5-4-1967	The Punjab Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads Non-officials members (Payment of Allowances((First Amendment) Rules, 1966, as required under Section 115 (4) of the Punjab Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads Act, 1961.
12.	Public Works and Education Minister	8-5-1967	The Annual Statements of Accounts of the Punjab State Electricity Board, Patiala for the years 1964-65 and 1965-66 together with the audit reports thereon as required under section 69 (5) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.
13.	Ditto	Ditto	The Annual Administration Report of the Punjab State Electricity Board, Patiala, for the year 1965-66 as required under section 75 (1A) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.
14.	Development and Local Government Minister	Ditto	The Punjab Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads (Leave) Rules, 1967, as required under section 115(4) of the Punjab Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads Act, 1961.

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1	2	3	4
15.	Secretary	8-5-1967	Statement showing the Bills which had been passed by the Punjab State Legislature during Budget Session, 1967 and assented to by the Governor.
16.	Public Works and Education Minister	10-5-1967	Eight Notifications issued under various sections of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1939, as required under section 133 (3) of the said Act.
17.	Ditto	Ditto	The Financial Review on the working of the Pepsu Road Transport Corporation, Patiala during the year 1964-65 as required under section 33(4) of the Road Transport Corporation Act, 1950.
18.	Ditto	Ditto	The Administration Report of the Mandi-Kulu Road Transport Corporation, Mandi, H.P., for the year 1963-64, as required under section 35 (3) of the Road Transport Corporation Act, 1940.
19.	Ditto	12-5-1967	The Annual Financial statement (Budget Estimates) of the Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 1967-68 as required under section 61(3) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.
20.	Finance Minister	Ditto	The Annual Reports of the working and Affairs of the Punjab State Small Industries Corporation Ltd., for the years 1963-64 and 1964-65 as required under section 639 (2) of the Companies Act, 1956.
21.	Ditto	17-5-1967	The Thirteenth Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Financial Corporation for the year ended on the 31st March, 1966, as required under Section 38 (3) of the Financial Corporation Act, 1951.
22.	Ditto	19-5-1967	The Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1965-66 and the Audit Report 1967.
23.	Development and Local Government Minister	26-5-1967	Report of the Study Team on Panchayati Raj in Punjab.

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REPORTS PRESENTED/LAID

Sr. No.	By whom presented	Date on which presented	Subject
		Business Advisory Committee	
1.	Speaker	22-3-1967 (After noon sitting)	Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
2.	Speaker	8-5-1967	Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
3.	Speaker	18-5-1967	Third Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
		Rules Committee	
1.	Speaker	22-5-1967	First Report of the Rules Committee.

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ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

Notices of 9 adjournment Motions were received on different dates from different Members. All were disallowed. The following were, however, mentioned in the House.

Sr. No.	Date of Motion	Date when taken up	Member(s) giving notice	Subject matter	Decision
1	27-3-1967	27-3-1967	Comrade Sat Pal Kapur, M.L.A.	Regarding "the current rains in the State having damaged the crops substantially creating financial loss to the farmers, the House should discuss to give adequate relief to the farmers by (a) stoppage of recovery of Taccavi loans (b) remission of Land Revenue."	Ruled out of order on the ground that this matter could be raised during the discussion on Governor's Address or during the general discussion of the Budget and that according to the previous practice, adjournment Motions were not admitted during the Budget Session as ample opportunities were available to Members for discussing such matters.
2	28-3-1967	29-3-1967	Miss Sarla Prasher, M.L.A.	Regarding "the rape of a Lady Health Visitor of village Dhulka, Amritsar District, by certain dacoits."	Ruled out of order on the ground that according to the practice adjournment Motions were not admitted during the Budget Session as such matters could be raised during the discussion on the Budget. The Chief Minister, however made some remarks. 2. The Chief Minister also made a statement in this connection on the 3rd April, 1967.

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Sr. No.	Date of Motion	Date when taken up	Member(s) giving notice	Subject matter	Decision
3	29-3-1967	29-3-1967	Sardar Gian Singh Rarewala, M.L.A.	Regarding "attack by about ten thousand persons on the sacred Gurdwara Baghmari, Calcutta and burning thereof. Two copies of the Holy Granth Sahib were also burnt during this attack . The sacred Nishan Sahib was also burnt. The rooms attached to the Gurdwara have also been burnt away. Besides this, forty to fifty buses and trucks belonging to the Sikhs of that ilaqa have also been burnt. The sikhs defended their sacred Gurdwara as also their persons and property. This resulted in firing by the police. Consequently four sikhs were seriously injured. The Granthi of the Gurdwara (S. Hira Singh) as also the Treasurer of the Gurdwara were assaulted. Because of this huge loss of property and damage to the holy shrine, the sikhs of the ilaqa have observed hartal. Taking into consideration the importance of this incident, many Members of the Lok Sabha are stated to have gone over to Calcutta."	Ruled out of order on the ground that this matter related to another State. The Speaker observed that the hon. Member might discuss it with the Chief Minister and request him to take up the matter with the Union Government and the Bengal Government. The Chief Minister informed the House of the action he had taken in the matter. 2. On the 30th March, 1967, the Speaker permitted Sardar Harcharan Singh Hudiara to raise an urgent matter of public importance relating to the serious happenings at Calcutta. The Chief Minister made a statement in this connection and the action taken by him in the matter.
4	8-5-1967	8-5-1967	Shri Prabodh Chandra, M.L.A.	Regarding the "beating of Sardar Baldev Singh, M.L.A., within	The Speaker disallowed it on the ground that according to

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				the Assembly building and failure of the Government and the Speaker to give protection to the Members".	past practice adjournment motions were not allowed during the Budget Session as ample opportunities were available for raising such matters during the general discussion of the Budget. (In this connection please refer to serial No. 5 of Questions of Privilege at page 27 *infra* and Speaker's observations at Page 51-52/*infra*,
5	8-5-1967	9-5-1967	Comrade Bhan Singh Bhaura, M.L.A.	Regarding dismantling of the Memorial of martyrs of the Phagwara Bomb case by the local Police	Ruled out of order on the ground that adjournment motions were not allowed during the Budget Session as ample opportunities were available for raising this matter during the general discussion of the Budget.
6	25-5-1967	26-5-1967	Comrade Satpal Kapur, M.L.A.	Regarding firing by the police on 24-5-1967 on the workers of Bahadurgarh Factory, Patiala, etc.	Ruled out of order on the ground that the matter related to the ordinary administration of law.

QUESTIONS OF PRIVILEGE

Sr. No.	Date	Member (s) giving notice	Subject matter	Remarks
1.	27-3-1967	Pandit Mohan Lal, M.L.A.	"That the Finace Minister while at Ferozepore on 24th March, 1967, made a statement to the Press that no fresh taxes are being levied in Punjab in the coming Budget. He further added that no further relief in taxes was proposed to be given than what had been annnounced so far by the Government.	The Speaker observed that two points were involved in the notice namely.— (1) that the Finance Minister had made some statements which were tantamount to a disclosure of the Budget; and (2) that important statements should be made to the Vidhan Sabha. So far as (1) was concerned, it was not known what the Finance Minister was going to say in his Budget and therefore there could be no disclosure of the budget as alleged. So far as (2) was concerned, propriety required that important statements should be made in the House. There was, however, no breach involved.
2.	3-4-1967	Shri Prabodh Chandra, M.L.A.	Regarding letter addressed to the Leader of the House for appointment of a three-Member Committee to go into the allegation against S. Lachhman Singh Gill.	The member did not move his motion. Instead he gave a personal explanation.
3.	4-4 1967	Shri Satpal Kapur, M.L.A.	Regarding the alleged wrong statement made by the Chief Minister on the 30th March, 1967, about the arrest of culprits by the police in a dacoity committed at village Mehman, police station Jhulkan, district Patiala.	The Speaker refused to give his consent to the Motion in view of the observations made by the Chief Minister, in this connection.
4.	4-4-1967	Shri Prabodh Chandra, M.L.A.	Regarding the alleged intentional misleading of the House by the Chief Minister by accusing the Congress for the Calcutta disturbances.	The Speaker refused to give his consent to the Motion. He, however, observed that all that the Chief Minister had said was that he had been informed on the telephone by some one to that effect but he could not vouch for the authenticity of that report.

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Sr. No.	Date	Member(s) giving notice	Subject matter	Remarks
5.	5-5-1967	Several Members from the Opposition and from the Treasury Benches	Alleged man-handling of Sardar Baldev Singh and Sardar Gurmit Singh, etc.	The Speaker referred the entire matter to the Committee of Privileges.
	Note.—In this connection please refer to serial No. 4 of Adjournment Motions at Page 24-25 *ante* and Speaker's observations at Page 50—52 *infra*.			
6.	Notice meant for 5-5-1967	Shri A. Vishwa-Nathan	Regarding statement by the Leader of the Opposition that the Speaker had told him that the House would be adjourned only for a week.	Filed—Not taken up in the House.
7.	10-5-1967	Sardar Balwant Singh (Excise and Taxation Minister)	Regarding allegations made by an hon. Member against him.	1. The Speaker observed that he would examine the matter and deferred his ruling. 2. A letter was addressed to Sardar Balwant Singh, Excise and Taxation Minister, intimating that the hon. Speaker did not give his consent to move the Motion.
8.	11-5-1967	Comrade Bhan Singh Bhaura, M.L.A.	Regarding the remarks made by Sardar Darbara Singh, M.L.A., while speaking on the budget against some members that they are giving secrets of Government to outsiders.	The Speaker observed that a reply thereto had been sent to the hon. Member.
9.	11-5-1967	Shri Prabodh Chandra, M.L.A.	Regarding failure of the Government to take the House into confidence regarding fixation of the price of wheat.	Not referred to in the House. However, the Speaker did not give his consent to the Motion. The hon. Member was informed through a letter that the Government did not appear to have made any statement involving even the question of propriety.
10.	15-5-1967	Shri Sat Pal Kapur, M.L.A.	Regarding the decision of the Government to abolish its share of the betterment levy.	Not referred to in the House. However, the hon. Member was informed through a letter that it was a matter of properiety—not of privilege.

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Sr. No.	Date	Member(s) giving notice	Subject matter	Remarks
11.	18-5-1967	Referred to in the House by the hon. Speaker	Regarding publishing of certain expunged remarks in Hind Samachar	1. The Speaker informed the House that the Editor "Hind Samachar" had in contravention of the orders of the Speaker expunging certain objectionable remarks made by Shri Prabodh Chandra, published them in his newspaper and he would, therefore, like to refer the matter to the Privileges Committee. On a suggestion made by the Chief Minister, the Speaker agreed to refer the matter to the Press Gallery Committee for report by Monday, the 22nd May, 1967. 2. On 23rd May, 1967, the Speaker informed the House that he had consulted the Press Gallery Committee in regard to this matter but they had not been able to say how and by whom this contravention of the orders of the Speaker was committed. He therefore, decided to refer the matter to the Commitee of Privileges.
12.	25-5-1967	Chaudhri Darshan Singh, M.L.A.	Regarding the laying of 'Report of the Study Team on Panchayat Raj in Punjab, on the Table of the Upper House prior to its having been laid in the Vidhan Sabha.	The Speaker refused to give his consent on the ground that it did not involve any breach of privilege. He, however, observed that it involved a matter of propriety and suggested that Government should arrange to lay such reports simultaneously on the Table of both the Houses.

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OTHER MOTIONS

Sr. No.	Minister/Member moving	Moved on	Discussed on	Subject matter	Decision/Remarks
1.	Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjeet, M.L.A.	22-3-1967 (Afternoon sitting)	22-3-1967 (Afternoon sitting)	Agreement with the recommendations contained in the report of the Business Advisory Committee.	Carried.
2.	Shri Balramji Dass Tandon, M.L.A.	3-4-1967	3rd, 4th and 5th April, 1967	Motion of thanks for the Address delivered by the Governor on the 21st March, 1967.	Carried as amended, on 5th April, 1967.
3.	Chief Minister	6-4-1967	6-4-1967	Motion under rule 16 regarding adjournment of the House *sine die*.	Carried.
4.	Finance Minister	8-5-1967	8-5-1967	Agreement with the recommendations contained in the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee.	Carried as amended.
5.	Finance Minister	8-5-1967	8-5-1967	Recomendations to the Punjab Vidhan Parishad regarding nomination of three M.L.Cs. each to associate with the Public Accounts Committee and the Committee on Estimates of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha for the year 1967-68.	Carried.
6.	Chief Minister	18-5-1967	18-5-1967	Agreement with the recommendations contained in the Third Report of the Business Advisory Committee.	Carried.
7.	Finance Minister	26-5-1967	26-5-1967	Motion under rule 16 regarding adjournment of the House *sine die*.	Carried.

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CALL ATTENTION NOTICES UNDER RULE 73

In all 148 notices calling attention to matters of public importance were received. Only 76 notices were admitted as detailed below in the serial order in which they were received. The rest were disallowed by the Honourable Speaker in his Chamber on one ground or the other.

Sr. No.	Call Attention Notice No.	Member/Members Calling Attention	Date	Subject matter	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	2	Shri Prabodh Chandra, M.L.A.	22-3-1967	Failure of City Police Batala to apprehend the culprits who insulted Sardar Natha Singh, M.L.A., at Gandhi Chowk Batala, on the evening of 17th March despite the written report of the hon. Member to the City Police Batala.	Copies of the statement were received on 6th April, 1967 and sent to Members on 14th April, 1967.
2.	7	Sarvshri Rattan Singh, Darshan Singh Chaudhri, Gurmit Singh Mit, Mohinder Singh Gill, Shiv Chand, Kirpal Singh, Baloo Ram, Bhag Singh, Balwant Singh, Gurcharan Singh, Jagir Singh Dard and Darshan Singh, M.L.As.	22-3-1967	Alleged replacement of National Flag by the Jan Sangh Flag on the car of the Finance Minister at Circuit House Amritsar, etc.	The Chief Minister made a verbal statement and the Finance Minister gave personal explanation.
3.	14	Chaudhri Sunder Singh, M.L.A.	27-3-1967	Recent heavy rains and hail-stroms in tehsil Pathankot, Gurdaspur District, and the consequent heavy loss suffered by the Kisans to their standing crops especially in villages of Ghazi Baruan, Kashi Baruan, Adam Baruan, Basaoo Barwan, Jharoli, Jainpur, Pathana, Kilpur, etc.	The Revenue and Development Minister laid a statement on the Table of the House on 4th April, 1967.

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4.	21	Comrade Phuman Singh, M.L.A.	27-3-1967	Non-supply of atta since beginning of March, 1967, to depots in Fazilka and Jalalabad areas of Ferozepore District.	The Chief Minister laid a statement on the Table of the House on 3rd April, 1967.
5.	10	Comrades Jangir Singh Joga and Bhan Singh Bhaura, M.L.As.	29-3-1967	Failure to ply buses by "The Patiala Engineering Transport Company Private Ltd. Rampura Phul, on Rampura Phul-Jaitu and Kot Kapura routes *via* Bhairupa and Salbatpure etc.	The Chief Minister made a statement on 31st March, 1967.
6.	22	Comrade Bhan Singh Bhaura, M.L.A.	29-3-1967	Announcement of the Government to abolish the department of B.D.Os. especially Gramsewaks and Gramsewakas, etc., which had caused frustration and disappointment among these employees.	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table of the House on 8th May, 1967.
7.	24	Sardar Balwant Singh, M.L.A.	29-3-1967	Action taken by the Government on the decision of the Estimates Committee of this House recommending the termination of contract entered into by the Punjab Government with the Birla Farm.	Copies of the statement received on 26th April, 1967 and sent to the Members on 27th April, 1967
8.	28	Comrades Satyapal Dang, Jangir Singh Joga, Bhan Singh Bhaura, Phuman Singh and Munsha Singh, M.L.A.s.	30-3-1967	Non-payment of salaries to the Traffic staff including constables, S.Is. and Inspectors, etc.	The Chief Minister laid a statement on the Table of the House on 31st March, 1967.
9.	30	Ditto	30-3-1967	The fact that during the night between the 20th and 21st March, 1967, or thereabout three crimes one murder of a doctor and two robberies had taken place in villages Ghuman, Madiala and another village all nearly on the same road and under the same police post.	The Chief Minister laid a statement on the Table of the House on 3rd April, 1967.

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10.	31	Sardar Kirpal Singh Dhil ·n, M.L.A.	30-3-1967	Rising of the water level of the Black Bein at Kanjli Bridge in Kapurthala District resulting in acute water logging of thousands of acres of fertile land.	The Chief Minister laid a statement on the Table of the House on 3rd April, 1967.
11.	32	Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill, M.L.A.	30-3-1967	Certain villages of Ferozepore Assembly constituency having been hit by hailstorm during the recent heavy rain as a result of which crops of the peasants have been destroyed.	Copies of the statement were received on 5th April, 1967 and sent to the Members on 14th April, 1967.
12.	34	Sardar Dalip Singh, M.L.A.	31-3-1967	Heavy damage caused to crops by recent rains and floods in Amritsar District in the areas between river Ravi and Nala Sakki.	The Chief Minister laid a statement on the Table of the House on 22-5-67.
13.	35	Sardar Tirath Singh, M.L.A.	31-3-1967	Steps proposed to be taken by the Government for the inclusion of Chandigarh in Punjab.	The Chief Minister laid a statement on the Table of the House on 3rd April, 1967.
14.	36	Comrade Sat Pal Kapur, M.L.A.	31-3-1967	Situation arising out of the decision of stike by technical employees of the Electricty Board.	Copies of the statement were received on 6th April, 1967 and sent to Members on 14th April, 1967.

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15.	37	Ditto	31-3-1967	Heavy damage to the standing crops of wheat & gram, etc., due to recent heavy rains and hailstorm in the State.	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table of the House on 10th May, 1967.
16.	39	Comrades Satyapal Dang and Bhan Singh Bhaura, M.L.As.	31-3-1967	Recent spurt in prices of indigenous wheat and atta.	The Chief Minister Laid a statement on the Table of the House on 22nd May, 1967.
17.	41	Comrade Jangir Singh Joga, Satyapal Dang, Bhan Singh Bhaura and Munsha Singh, M.L.As.	4-4-1967	Reduction in the quota of sugar being allowed to the consumers in the State to 1 kilo per head per month.	Copies of the statement were received on 14-8-67 and sent to Members on 17-8-67.
18.	42	Comrades Jangir Singh Joga, Satyapal Dang, Phuman Singh, Bhan Singh Bhaura and Munsha Singh, M.L.As.	4-4-1967	Seven day's strike of Temporary Engineers of P.W.D. Irrigation Department starting from 3rd April, 1967.	The Minister for Public works and Education made a statement.
19.	44	Shri Prabodh Chandra, M.L.A.	4-4-1967	Recent kidnapping of a married women in the presence of her husband at Patiala on 2nd April, 1967.	Copies of the statement were received on 28th April, 1967 and sent to Members on 29th April, 1967.
20.	45	Comrade Sat Pal Kapur, M.L.A.	4-4-1967	Ditto	Ditto
21.	46	Comrade Bhan Singh Bhaura, M.L.A.	4-4-1967	Delay in not declaring the final result of the P.C.S. and Allied Services Examinations conducted in 1965.	The Chief Minister laid a statement on the Table of the House on 12th May, 1967.
22.	47	Pandit Mohan Lal, M.L.A.	4-4-1967	Withdrawal, with immediate effect by the Government of the exemption granted under the Central Sales Tax Act, etc.	Copies of the statement were received on 25th April, 1967 and sent to the Members on 27th April, 1967.
23.	50	Sardar Balwant Singh, M.L.A.	5-4-1967	The threatened strike by the technical Services Union of the Punjab Electricity Board.	Not taken up as the Member was not present in the House.

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1	2	3	4	5	6
24	51	Chaudhri Darshan Singh, M.LA.	5-4-1967	The public statement made by the Revenue Minister earmarking the boundary of the present Punjab for Food-Zone.	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table of the House on 10th May, 1967.
25	53	Sardar Baldev Singh, M.L.A.	5-4-1967	Termination of the services of 36 employees of the Punjab State Warehousing Corporation by its Managing Director.	Not taken up as the Member was not present in the House.
26.	59	Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjeet, M.L.A.	8-5-1967	Death of a devoted revolutionary Comrade Ajit Singh Manikpuri in Civil Hospital, Jullundur	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table of the House on 10th May, 1967.
27.	61	Shri A. Vishwa Nathan, M.L.A.	8-5-1967	Alleged act of sabotage by certain persons during the strike of employees of the Punjab Electricity Board.	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table of the House on 9th May, 1967.
28.	62	Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill, M.L.A.	8-5-1967	Committing of self immolation by Bhai Anand Singh in Gurdwara Bhadurpur, district Amritsar.	Ditto
29.	63	Ditto	8-5-1967	Failure of Government to fix reasonable and remunerative prices of foodgrains despite large arrivals thereof in the Markets.	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table of the House on 10th May, 1967.
30.	54	Shri A. Vishwa Nathan, M.L.A.	9-5-1967	Hardship caused to the Ludhiana City result from the delay in sanctioning the budget proposals sent by the Municipality.	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table of the House on 18th May, 1967.

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31.	55	Sardar Sikander Singh, M.L.A.	9-5-1967	Failure of Punjab Government to secure a decision of the Central Government on the appeals of the Government employees with domicile in Punjab but allocated to other States.	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table of the House on 10th May, 1967.
32.	56	Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill, M.L.A.	9-5-1967	Looting by dacoits on 2nd April, 1967 of a petrol pump, Octroi Post and one truck in Talwandi Bhai Mandi in Ferozepore district.	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table of the House on 9th May, 1967.
33.	64	Sardar Gian Singh Rarewala, M.L.A.	9-5-1967	Disappearance of Dr. Amarjit Singh of Patiala	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the the Table of the House on 26th May, 1967.
34.	69	Chaudhri Darshan Singh, M.L.A.	9-5-1967	Arrest of Dr. Shanti Parkash, M.L.A.	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table of the House on 19th May, 1967.
35.	70	Sardar Sikander Singh, M.L.A.	9-5-1967	Scarcity of sugar in rural areas of Gurdaspur, etc.	Copies of the Statement were received on 6-9-67 and supplied to Members on 8-9-67.
36.	71	Shri Harbans Lal Khanna, M.L.A.	9-5-1967	Hunger Strike resorted to by the Private Teachers Association of Private Institutions.	The Development and Local Government Minister laid a copy of the Statement on the Table of the House on 23rd May, 1967.
37.	72	Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill, M.L.A.	9-5-1967	Statement by a Minister of Punjab Government that the Development Department is going to be abolished.	Not taken up as the Member was not present in the House.
38.	65	Sardar Sardar Singh Kohli, M.L.A.	10-5-1967	Denial of passport to Panthic Leader Master Tara Singh	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table of the House on 19th May, 1967.

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1	2	3	4	5	6
39.	73	Comrade Munsha Singh, M.L.A.	10-5-1967	High-handedness of the police in demolishing the memorial to the martyrs of the Phagwara Bomb Case.	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table of the House on 19th May, 1967.
40.	76	Sardar Dalip Singh Tapiala, M.L.A.	11-5-1967	Serious situation caused by the shortage of sugar throughout the State.	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table of the House on 12th May, 1967.
41.	79	Chaudhri Balbir Singh, M.L.A.	11-5-1967	Attack on employees of Panchayat Samiti, Valtoha by a Member and the President of the Samiti.	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table of the House on 16th May, 1967.
42.	81	Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill, M.L.A.	11-5-1967	Statement made by a Minister to abolish the institutions of B.D. and P.O.	Ditto
43.	82	Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjeet, M.L.A.	11-5-1967	Lathicharge by the police on the lady sweepers at Pathankot on 10th May, 1967.	The Chief Minister laid a statement on the Table of the House on 22nd May, 1967.
44.	83	Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill, M.L.A.	12-5-1967	Future of Chandigarh, etc.	The Chief Minister made a verbal statement.
45.	84	Sardar Dalip Singh Tapiala, M.L.A.	12-5-1967	Recent theft of tube well equipment in several villages under the Moga Police Station.	The Chief Minister laid a statement on the Table of the House on 22nd May, 1967.
46.	85	Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjit, M.L.A.	12-5-1967	Serious shortage of country and imported wheat at consumer's stores and fair price shops in the Jullundur District.	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table of the House on 15th May, 1967.

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47.	86	Comrade Bhan Singh Bhaura, M.L.A.	12-5-1967	Bringing goondas infront of the bridge connecting the Secretariat with the Vidhan Sabha for creating disturbances, etc.	Copies of the statement were received on 19th June, 1967 and sent to the Members on 21st June, 1967.
48.	87	Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill, M.L.A.	12-5-1967	Catching fire of Gurdwara and consequent burning of 5 volumes of Guru Granth Sahib in village Nawan Langena Patti Bhaurian, Ferozepore district.	The Development and Local Government Minister laid a statement on the Table of the House on 23rd May, 1967.
49.	88	Comrade Phuman Singh, M.L.A.	12-5-1967	Rising spiral of prices, etc.	The Chief Minister laid a statement on the Table of of the House on 22nd May, 1967.
50.	93	Comrade Sat Pal Kapur, M.L.A.	15-5-196 7	Cancellation of the Lease Deed of Birla farm as recommended by the Estimates Committee.	Not taken up as the member was not present in the House.
51.	94	Pandit Mohan Lal, M.L.A.	16-5-1967	Detention by Amritsar Police of Sardar Jai Inder Singh, Ex-M.L.A., even after the orders of the competent Magistrate for his release on bail.	Copies of the statement were received on 30th June, 1967 and sent to Members on 1st July, 1967.
52.	95	Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill, M.L.A.	16-5-1967	Non-Implementation of the Labour Laws by the Labour Department relating to the Working Journalists, etc.	The Chief Minister laid a statement on the Table of the House on 22nd May, 1967.
53.	96	Giani Kudan Singh Patang, M.L.A.	16-5-1967	Inordinate delay in the disbursement of scholarships to Scheduled Caste students in Schools and Colleges.	The Development and Local Government Minister laid a statement on the Table of the House on 23rd May, 1967.

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54.	99	Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill, M.L.A.	16-5-1967	Cancellation of the Lease Deed of Birla Seed Farm	The Chief Minister laid a statement on the Table of the House on 22nd May, 1967.
55.	100	Comrades Jangir Singh Joga, Bhan Singh Bhaura and Munsha Singh, M.L.As.	17-6-1967	Tool Down Strike by Engineers of the Public Works Department from 22nd May, 1967.	The Development and Local Government Minister laid a statement on the Table of the House on 23rd May, 1967.
56.	102	Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill, M.L.A.	17-5-1967	Catching fire of 4 houses in Mohalla Guru Nanakpura in Bhatinda City	Copies of the statement were received on 26th June, 1967 and sent to the Members on 27th June, 1967.
57.	104	Dr. Gurcharan Singh, M.L.A.	17-5-1967	Collection of P.T.I. fund, Admission fee and Building Fund from the Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes students in schools and colleges in the State.	The Chief Minister laid a statement on the Table of the House on 22nd May, 1967.
58.	108	Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill, M.L.A.	18-5-1967	High prices of articles of daily use such as sugar, ghee, dals etc.	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table of the House on 26th May, 1967.
59.	109	Sardar Shangara Singh, M.L.A.	18-5-1967	Suspension of the auction of evacuee lands among the Scheduled Castes all of a sudden.	Not taken up as the Member was not present in the House.

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60.	115	Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill, M.L.A.	22-5-1967	Failure of the Government to appoint an Accredition Committee on the pattern of those appointed by the Centre and other State Governments.	Copies of the statement were received on 12-9-67 and sent to Members on 14-9-67.
61.	117	Sardar Shangara Singh, M.L.A.	22-5-1967	Sudden suspension of auction of the evacuee land by the Government among the Scheduled Castes.	Copies of the statement were received on 23rd June, 1967 and sent to Members on 26th June, 1967.
62.	120	Comrade Phuman Singh, M.L.A.	22-5-1967	Recovery of taccavis and other loans by the Government despite the destruction of Rabi and Kharif crops in Tehsil Fazilka due to rain and hail-storm.	Copies of the statement were received on 26-8-67 and sent to the Members on 30-8-67.
63.	121	Sardar Sikander Singh, M.L.A.	22-5-1967	Entry of Police in Gurdwara Manji Sahib, Amritsar	Copies of the statement were received on 19th June, 1967 and sent to Members on 21st June, 1967.
64.	122	Comrades Phuman Singh and Bhan Singh Bhaura, M.L.As.	23-5-1967	Declaration of the lock out by the management of Dhariwal Woollen Mills, Dhariwal, district Gurdaspur for an indefinite period.	The Labour and Parliamentry Affairs Minister laid a statement on the Table of the House on 25th May, 1967.
65.	123	Ditto	23-5-1967	Situation created by the cut in quota of sugar, imported wheat, etc. by the Central Government.	Copies of the statement were received on 14-8-67 and sent to Members on 17-867.
66.	124	Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjit, M.L.A.	23-5-1967	Hunger strike by Science masters in front of the Old Legislators Hostel, Chandigarh, against the failure of the Department to redress their grievances.	The Labour and Parliamentary Affairs Minister laid a statement on the Table of the House on 25th May, 1967.

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1	2	3	4	5	6
67.	125	Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjit, M.L.A.	23-5-1967	Serious situation caused by the pen-cum-tool down strike by more than five hundered Engineers of Irrigation, Building and Roads and Public Health Section.	Copies of the statement were received on 27th June, 1967 and sent to members on 28-6-67.
68.	126	Sardar Gian Singh Rarewala, M.L.A.	23-5-1967	Forced closure of the New Egerton Woollen Mills, Dhariwal	The Labour and Parliamentary Affairs Minister laid a statement on the Table of the House on 25th May, 1967.
69.	127	Ditto	23-5-1967	Withdrawal of previous orders regarding submission of documents for registration in Gurmukhi script.	The Speaker asked the Minister concerned to make a statement,
70.	129	Chaudhri Satya Dev, M.L.A.	25-5-1967	Rehabilitation of residents of those 26 villages of Fazilka Sector which came under the possession of Pakistan during India-Pakistan Aggression in 1965.	Copies of the statement were received on 16th June, 1967 and sent to Members on 19th June, 1967.
71.	132	Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill, M.L.A.	25-5-1967	Firing by the police of Saddar Police Station, Ferozepore on the night of 18th May, 1967 in village Kawarian wala Khuh.	Copies of the statement were received on 18-8-67 and sent to Members on 21-8-67.

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72.	137	Mahant Ram Parkash Dass, M.L.A.	25-5-1967	Indiscriminate arrest of many persons in Talwara and other places for violation of five mile belt area near the boundary of Punjab and Himachal for carriage of foodgrains therein.	Copies of the statement were received on 7-11-67 and sent to Members on 9-11-67.
73.	141	Sardar Gurdev Singh, M.L.A.	25-5-1967	Criminal assult by S.H.O. Baretta on Shrimati Jasvir Kaur wife of Shri Tek Singh, village Khuda Lakla, Thana Baretta.	The Speaker asked the Minister concerned to make a statement.
74.	142	Sardar Jagir Singh Dard, M.L.A.	25-5-1967	Theft committed on the night of 11th and 12th February, 1967, in the house of Shri Trakki Lal son of Shri Talu Ram, Raikot, district Ludhiana.	Not taken up as the Member was not present in the House.
75.	145	Comrade Jangir Singh Joga, M.L.A.	26-5-1967	Lathi charge and firing by Police on striking workers of Goetze Factory, Bahadurgarh	Copies of the statement were received on 16th June, 1967 and sent to Members on 19th June, 1967.
76.	147	Sardar Sardar Singh Kohli, M.L.A.	26-5-1967	Indiscriminate firing by the Police at Patiala on the workers of the Bahadurgarh Factory	Copies of the statement were received on 16th June, 1967 and sent to Members on 19th June. 1967.

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Serial No.	Date	Made by	Subject Matter
1.	30-3-1967	Chief Minister	†Regarding serious happenings at Calcutta and the action taken by the Chief Minister in the matter.
2.	31-3-1967	Chief Minister	Regarding the dissolution of the Committee of three legislators announced on 30th March, 1967 to go into the allegations made by Shri Prabodh Chandra against the Minister for Public Works and Education, S. Lachhman Singh Gill.
3.	31-3-1967	Chief Minister	Regarding the appointment of the State Vigilance Committee consisting of five legislators.
4.	3-4-1967	Chief Minister	Regarding assault on a young Lady Health Visitor in village Dhoolka.

Comparative statement of speeches made and time taken thereon

(March—May Session, 1967)

NUMBER OF SPEECHES MADE BY				TIME TAKEN BY			
Treasury Benches				*Treasury Benches*			
Members (excluding Ministers)	Ministers	Members of the Opposition	Independents	Members (excluding Ministers)	Ministers	Members of the Opposition	Independents
				H.M.	H. M.	H. M.	H.M.
88	29	91	4	25.04	12.14	32.17	1.02
41.51%	13.68%	42.92%	1.89%	35.50%	17.32%	45.72%	1.46%

Notes.—(1) Observations/Statements/Rulings etc. by the Chair and the time taken thereon *are not* included in the above statement.

(2) Question hour has been *excluded* from the statement.

(3) Time taken on divisions, Adjournment Motions, Call Attention Notices, Privilege Motions, Points of Order, Motions in respect of legislation, Personal Explanations, etc., is also excluded from the statement.

*For other Statements on Call-Attention Notice s please refer to pages 30—41 *ante*.

†Kindly see Adjournment Motion (Serial No. 3) at Page 24 ante.

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Figures relating to Questions

1.	Total number of sittings of the Sabha ..	29
2.	Number of questions (Starred and Un-starred) received ..	694
3.	Number of Short-Notice Questions received ..	13
4.	Total number of sittings at which the question hour was dispensed with ..	1
5.	Number of Members from whom notices were received ..	54
6.	Total number of questions to which oral answers were given ..	192
7.	Largest number of questions orally answered on any one day ..	23
8.	Least number of questions orally answered on any one day ..	2
9.	Total number of starred questions converted into unstarred questions ..	..
10.	Total number of unstarred questions replied to ..	74
11.	Largest number of questions addressed to any one Minister (Public Works and Education Minister) ..	125
12.	Largest number of questions orally answered by any one Minister (Public Works and Education Minister) ..	80
13.	Total number of statements supplied to the Members in reply to their questions ..	78

(i) There was no Question Hour on the 5th April, 19th May and 24th May, 1967.

(ii) The Question Hour was dispensed with on the 30th March, 1967.

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QUESTIONS

The Question Hour was dispensed with on the 30th March, 1967. There was no Question Hour on the 5th April, 19th May and 24th May, 1967

STATEMENT

Questions	Number of notices received	Number admitted	Number dis-allowed	Number not put	Number answered	Number deemed to have been answered under Rules 45	Number of supple-mentaries put	Remarks
Starred ..	528	373	155	23	192 (Treasury .. 147 Opposition .. 45 Un-attached .. —	88 Treasury .. 67 Opposition .. 21 Un-attached .. —	786	1. 51 Starred Questions could not be included in any list of questions. 2. 19 Starred Questions were deleted from the lists of questions for the reasons that the Members in whose names these were admitted were appointed as Ministers.
Unstarred ..	166	112	54	..	74 (Treasury .. 33 Opposition .. 36 Un-attached 5	..	..	.. 38 Unstarred Questions could not be included in any lists of questions.
Short Notice	13	7	6		.. 3 .. Treasury .. 2 Opposition .. 1 Un-attached ..	..	..	.. 1. One Short Notice Question could not be replied to as the Member in whose name it was admitted was appointed as a Minister. 2. Replies in respect of 3 Short Notice Questions were not received from the Government till the end of the Session.

Statement showing the number of Starred Questions answered date-wise

Date	Treasury	Opposition	Un attached	Total
29th March, 1967 ..	6	..	..	6
31st March, 1967 ..	14	1	..	15
3rd April, 1967 ..	8	..	..	8
4th April, 1967 ..	6	..	..	6
8th May, 1967 ..	17	1	..	18
9th May, 1967 ..	9	8	..	17
10th May, 1967 ..	12	11	..	23
11th May, 1967 ..	11	5	..	16
12th May, 1967 ..	8	7	..	15
15th May, 1967 ..	6	3	..	9
16th May, 1967 ..	5	1	..	6
17th May, 1967 ..	6	..	..	6
18th May, 1967 ..	6	1	..	7
22nd May, 1967 ..	17	4	..	21
23rd May, 1967 ..	8	1	..	9
25th May, 1967 ..	6	2	..	8
26th May, 1967 ..	2	..	..	2
Total ..	147	45	..	192

Notes.—1. The Question Hour was dispensed with on the 30th March, 1967.

2. There was no Question Hour on the 5th April, 19th May, and 24th May, 1967

Statement showing the number of Starred Questions deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 date-wise

Date	Treasury	Opposition	Un-attached	Total
8th May, 1967 ..	39	9	..	48
11th May, 1967 ..	3	1	..	4
12th May, 1967 .	1	3	..	4
25th May, 1967 .	13	5	..	18
26th May, 1967 .	11	3	..	14
Total	67	21	..	88

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Statement showing the number of starred questions in the names of different ministers, datewise

Date	Chief Minister	Minister for Finance	Minister for Public Works and Education	Minister for Revenue and Development	Minister for Revenue	Minister for Labour and Welfare	Minister for Development and Local Government	Total
27th March, 1967 ..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
29th March, 1967 ..	1	1	6	..	..	1	..	9
30th March, 1967 ..	1	1	4	..	..	3	..	9
31st March, 1967 ..	1	..	2	3	..	3	..	9
3rd April, 1967 ..	3	..	2	4	..	2	..	11
4th April, 1967 ..	1	..	1	3	..	1	..	6
5th April, 1967 ..	3	..	3	1	..	2	..	9
6th April, 1967 ..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	5
5th May, 1967 ..	8	..	10	..	1	..	2	21
8th May, 1967 ..	2	5	9	..	3	..	3	22
9th May, 1967 ..	5	2	9	..	4	..	1	21
10th May, 1967 ..	3	..	17	..	1	..	3	24
11th May, 1967 ..	2	4	13	..	2	1	2	24
12th May, 1967 ..	7	4	7	..	1	..	1	20
15th May, 1967 ..	1	2	4	..	5	1	5	18
16th May, 1967 ..	3	..	2	..	2	1	..	8
17th May, 1967 ..	1	1	5	..	..	1	..	8
18th May, 1967 ..	5	..	1	..	1	..	..	7
19th May, 1967 ..	1	3	3	..	1	..	1	9
22nd May, 1967 ..	3	2	11	..	2	1	3	22
23rd May, 1967 ..	1	4	2	..	..	2	..	9
24th May, 1967	3	3	7	..	..	1	2	16
25th May, 1967 ..	3	3	3	..	..	3	..	12
26th May, 1967 ..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	3
Total ..	61	35	125	11	24	24	23	303

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Starred Questions postponed from various lists of starred questions were again included in the lists of postponed starred questions as detailed below

5th April, 1967 ..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
8th May, 1967 ..	1	..	3	..	1	3	1	9
22nd May, 1967 ..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
23rd May, 1967 ..	1	..	1	..	2	..	..	4
Total ..	2	..	4	..	4	4	1	15

Notes.—1. There was no Question Hour on the 5th April, 19th May and 24th May, 1967. Questions included in the list of questions for the 5th April were taken up on the 8th May; Questions included in the list of questions for the 19th May were taken up on the 22nd May and Questions included in the list of questions for the 24th May were taken up on the 25th May, 1967.

2. The Question Hour was dispensed with on the 30th March, 1967. Questions included in the list of questions for the 30th March were taken up on the 31st March, 1967.

WALK-OUTS

Serial No.	Date	Member (s) walking out	Occasion
1.	31-3-1967	Entire Opposition	On the refusal of the Chairman (Shri Lal Chand Suberwal) to agree to put the Motion by Shri Mohan Lal, M.L.A., that 'Question be now put' on the discussion of his non-official resolution.
2.	9-5-1967	Entire Opposition	When Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill, M.L.A., a Member of the Opposition, refused to express regret for his conduct, the Speaker ordered him to leave the House. Still when he refused to obey the Chair the Speaker ordered the Marshal to take him out. At this, the entire Opposition staged a walk-out.
3.	10-5-1967	Entire Opposition	On their contention that the Speaker had agreed to entrust the case relating to the alleged assault on Sardar Baldev Singh, M.L.A., on 5th May, 1967 if the Congress Party, so desired, to the police for investigation, having not been accepted.
4.	16-5-1967	Entire Opposition	On the refusal of the Speaker to extend the time of the sitting and to allow more Opposition Members to speak before the Chief Minister replied to the debate on the Demands for Grants in respect of General Administration and Police.

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DIVISIONS

Serial No.	Date	Recorded/ Not-recorded	Occasion	Result
1.	21-3-1967	Not recorded. But a count was made: Ayes : 52 Noes : 49	On a motion moved by the Chief Minister that Sardar Joginder Singh Mann, a Member of the Punjab Legislative Assembly, who is present in the House, do take the Chair as Speaker of the House.	The Motion was declared carried
2.	5-4-1967	Not recorded : But a count was made Ayes : 53 Noes : 49	On an amendment to the Motion of Thanks to the Governor's Address, given notice of by the Leader of the Opposition.	The amendment declared carried.
3.	11-5-1967	Recorded : Ayes : 57 Noes : 39	On the amendment moved by Comrade Harkishan Singh 'Surjeet', M. L. A. to the non-official resolution of Shri Mohan Lal, M.L.A. (a member of the Opposition) regarding Sate-trading in food-grains.	The amendment declared carried.
4.	26-5-1967	Not recorded But a count was made Ayes : 46 Noes : 57	On a motion moved by Shri Prabodh Chandra, M.L.A. "that this House expresses its want of confidence in the Ministry as a whole."	The Motion was declared lost.

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UNPARLIAMENTARY/UNDESIRABLE EXPRESSIONS

Word/Expression	Occasion	Date
ਝੂਠ/ਝੂਠੇ	1. When used in respect of the statement made by the Leader of the House	30-3-1967
	2. When used with reference to an Honourable Member	4-4-1967
	3. When used with reference to a remark made by an Honourable Member	18-5-1967
ਅਜ ਤੋਂ ਪਹਿਲਾਂ ਜਿਹੜਾ ਮੈਂਬਰ ਇਸ ਪਾਰਟੀ ਦਾ ਹਿੱਸਾ ਸੀ ਉਸ ਨੂੰ ਪਰਚੇਜ਼ ਕਰਕੇ, ਰਿਸ਼ਵਤ ਦੇ ਕੇ ਡਿਪਟੀ ਮਨਿਸਟਰ ਦੀ.... ਲੈ ਗਏ ਹਨ ।	When used in relation to an Honourable Member of the House	5-4-1967
Ex-Chief Minister	When used for the present Chief Minister.	6-4-1967
ਕਮੀਨਾ	When used in respect of an observation made by an Honourable Member	5-5-1967
ਚੁਰਾ ਕੇ ਲੈ ਗਏ ਹਨ	When used in respect of a Member of the House	8-5-1967
लग्व और बेहूदा	When used in respect of the remarks made by the Chief Minister	17-5-1967

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Observations made by the Speaker on the 8th May, 1967, regarding incidents of alleged manhandling of Members of the House

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I was most pained at the incident that occurred within the premises of the Vidhan Bhavan on the 5th. Some Honourable members of this House were, unfortunately, involved. Whether this incident took place outside the main entrance or inside is of very little consequence. The important thing is that this incident happened and I take this opportunity to condemn it in the strongest terms possible. I want to convey to you all my condemnation of this incident on the 5th, but the House would not let me. Incidents of this nature bring us discredit not only in our own eyes, but in the eyes of every one and no amount of words are really adequate to express condemnation of such incidents.

I had made adequate arrangements to prevent unauthorised persons from entering this building after I had received intimation from the Leader of the Opposition. I had gone round the building in the morning and the Leader of the Opposition saw me himself at the main entrance. I had posted double the number of men at the various points and also had taken the help of the police authorities at Chandigarh. The Deputy Commissioner and Senior Superintendent of Police of Chandigarh also saw these arrangements in the morning and were present outside.

From to-day, the security arrangements have been further strengthened. The passes are being issued from a place about a hundred yards away from the building. The number of staff at the various entrances has again been strengthened and they will be assisted by the police on duty. At various points on the ramp coming up, Watch and Ward Assistants have been posted. The issue of passes has been restricted and each member will be entitled to only two passes and no more. No crowds would be allowed to be collected between the bridge and the outer wall of the building. Every one trying to come into the premises will be checked. Of course, Members would not be, in any way, harassed, but I hope that they will co-operate with me in making these arrangements successful.

I again feel myself that the incident that took place is very bad and I condemn it from the core of my heart.

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I agree with the Leader of the House and I have discussed this matter with him in great details. I have categorically condemend this whole incident and have expressed regrets over it without any reservation. I honestly feel that this has been a very unhappy incident which will not be allowed to be repeated again. I will never tolerate an affront to any Honourable Member of the House. I have no hesitation in admitting the seriousness of this happening. However, I would like to re-assure the House that recurrence of such an incident would not be allowed. Now all adequate measures for security have been taken in this respect .

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Secondly, it has been urged by the Honourable Members on the Opposition benches that this case should be referred to the police. I may tell them that I have not the slightest hesitation to do so but since it is going to become a precedent for future, it involves the dignity of the House. It would be better if all the details are thoroughly examined here in the first instance. Let the Members of the House decide among themselves whether they want the case to be referred to the Police. If so, I will have no objection to agreeing to it. But the matter has been referred to the Committee of Privileges for report and the Committee can take a decision within a day or two after collecting the necessary evidence whether this case should be referred to the police or the accused be punished by the House itself. The Members will be completely at liberty to arrive at any decision and I will have no objection to it. Even if the House decides here and now, after taking legal advice, that the case is to be referred to the police, I will have no objection to it, rather I would be the first person to refer it to the police. I would, therefore, request the House to have the matter decided in any manner they like. I am out to co-operate with them. I am prepared to help them to see that apart from the incident being condemned, the accused get condign punishment. I want to maintain the dignity of the House at all costs. I again assure the House that so long as I occupy this Chair, I will discharge my duties in close co-operation with both sides of the House. It is my fervent desire that we should try to enhance the prestige and dignity of this House. I am above partisan spirit and I assure the Members that I am neither attached to any party nor am I inclined to side with any party. However, if you are out to blame me even for small things, you are free to do so but I say it from the very core of my heart that I have no interests of any party, as such, in view. You have unanimously elected me as Speaker. I am here to serve you all alike and safeguard your privileges, I can protect your rights only with your co-operation. With these words, I hope that the assurance given by me would suffice and you can get the matter settled in any manner you like.

Note.— Please refer to Serial Nos. 4 of Adjournment Motions and 5 of Questions of Privilege at Pages 24, 25 & 27 ante respectively.

POINTS OF ORDER AND DECISION THEREON

1. Whether a Minister could base his reply to a question on presumption ?

The Speaker ruled that definite answers must be given.

(On 29th March, 1967, Shri Prabodh Chandra raised the above point of order)

2. Whether an Honourable Member could distribute in the House literature which did not relate to the business of the Sabha?

The Speaker ruled that this was not permissible without his consent. Anything to be distributed should be done with his prior approval.

(On the 18th May, 1967, Acharya Prithvi Singh Azad raised the above point of order)

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APPENDIX

BULLETINS

Containing brief record of the proceedings of the meetings of the Fourth Vidhan Sabha held during the March-April-May Session, 1967.

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Bulletin No. 1

Monday, the 20th March, 1967

(From 2-00 p.m. to 3-40 p.m.)

I. Announcement.

Secretary read out the orders of the Governor—

(i) Appointing Shri Lal Chand Suberwal, M.L.A., to perform the duties of the office of the Speaker till a Speaker is chosen.

(ii) Appointing Shri Lal Chand Suberwal, M.L.A., to be the person before whom every Member of the Vidhan Sabha shall before taking his/her seat make and subscribe oath/affirmation.

II. Oath or Affirmation by the Members.

Ninety-nine Members of the Sabha present in the House were, one by one, sworn in.

The Sabha then adjourned till 10-00 a.m. on Tuesday, the 21st March, 1967.

Bulletin No. 2

Tuesday, the 21st March, 1967.

(From 10-00 a.m. to 10-28 a.m.)

I. Oath or Affirmation by Members.

Two Members present in the House were sworn in.

II. Election of the Speaker

1. The Chief Minister moved—

That Sardar Joginder Singh Mann, a Member of the Punjab Legislative Assembly, who is present in the House, do take the Chair as Speaker of the Assembly.

This motion was seconded by Shri Ram Parkash Dass.

2. Shri Balbir Singh moved—

That Doctor Jagjit Singh, a Member of the Punjab Legislative Assembly, who is present in the House, do take the Chair as Speaker of the Assembly.

This motio s seconded by Sarvshri Bhajan Lal and Prabodh Chandra.

No other motion was made.

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At this stage Shri Prabodh Chandra raised a point of order that the nomination of Sardar Joginder Singh Mann proposed by the Chief Minister was constitutionally wrong. The Honourable Member performing the duties of the Speaker, was expressly appointed by Governor on the condition that his name would be proposed for the office of the Speaker. If the Acting Speaker was not to be elected as Speaker then the senior-most Member of the Assembly should have been appointed to administer the oath to the Members as has been the convention in the Parliament and other Legislatures.

The Acting Speaker observed that there was no express condition that his name would be proposed for the Speakership and that it was not necessary that only the senior-most Member should be appointed to administer oath.

Motion No. 1 was put to the House. It being challenged, voice vote was taken.

Members who were in favour of this motion were asked to rise in their seats and thereafter those who were against it.

(52 Members were for the motion and 49 against the motion).

Motion No. 1 was carried and Sardar Joginder Singh Mann was declared elected as Speaker. He was called upon to take the Chair which he did.

III. Congratulatory Speeches.

The Chief Minister and the Leader of the Opposition made congratulatory speeches. The Speaker made some observations.

The Sabha then adjourned till 10-00 a.m. on Wednesday, the 22nd March, 1967.

Bulletin No. 3

Wednesday, the 22nd March, 1967

(From 10-00 a.m. to 11-02 a.m.)

I. Announcement.

Secretary read out the orders of the Governor—

Appointing the Speaker, Punjab Legislative Assembly to be the person before whom a member of the Punjab Legislative Assembly, who has not been sworn in as member of the Punjab Legislative Assembly by Shri Lal Chand Suberwal, M.L.A. shall, before taking his/her seat, make and subscribe the prescribed oath/affirmation.

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II. Oath or Affirmation by a Member,

One Member of the Sabha, present in the House, was sworn in.

III. Governor's Address.

The Speaker, in pursuance of Rule 18 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly, reported that the Governor had addressed Members of both the Houses of the State Legislature assembled together on the 21st March, 1967 under Article 176 (1) of the Constitution.

A copy of the Address was laid on the Table.

IV. Announcements,

(a) *By the Speaker*

(i) Penal of Chairman.

1. Shri Lal Chand Suberwal.
2. Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjit.
3. Shri Mohan Lal.
4. Sardar Surjit Singh.

(ii) Business Advisory Committee—

1. Speaker (*Ex-officio* Chairman)
2. Dr. Baldev Prakash (Finance Minister)
3. Shri Bishambar Nath
4. Shri Darbara Singh (Nur Mehal)
5. Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjit.
6. Shri Prabodh Chandra.

(b) *By the Secretary*—

Statement showing the Bills which were passed by the Punjab State Legislature during its Budget Session, 1966 and which had since been assented to by the Governor.

V Call-Attention Notices

1. Call attention notice given by Shri Prabodh Chandra (No. 1) regarding "failure of the Government to apprehend the culprits who seriously injured Sardar Harjinder Singh Behla M.L.A. at Chandigarh on the night of 13th by knocking him down under their car" was disallowed on the ground that the matter was the concern of the Administration of the Union Territory of Chandigarh. He however said that he was writing to the Chief Commissioner, Chandigarh on the subject and would inform the House of his reply.

The Chief Minister also made some observations assuring the House that any information received from the Union Government on the subject would be placed before it.

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2. On the Call Attention Notice given by Shri Prabodh Chandra (No. 2) regarding "failure of City Police Batala to apprehend the culprits who insulted Sardar Natha Singh, M.L.A. at Gandhi Chowk, Batala on the evening of the 17th despite the written report of the Honurable member to the City Police Batala the Speaker asked the Chief Minister to make a statement.

3. Call Attention Notice given by Shri Prabodh Chandra (No. 3) regarding "murder of three innocent persons at Ludhiana and the failure of the Government to apprehend the culprits after he had murdered one of the three" was disallowed on the ground that the matter was sub-Judice

4. Call Attention Notice given by Shri Sikander Singh (No. 4) regarding "the murder and dacoities committed by some persons on 16th night at Ghuman Mandhiala and Patti Athwalin Gurdaspur district and Dhandain in Amritsar district and the failure of the Police to apprehend the culprits" was disallowed on the ground that ample opportunities would be available for discussing this matter during the discussion on the Governor's Address and the Budget etc.

5. Call Attention Notices given by Sarvshri Satya Pal Dang, Jangir Singh and Bhan Singh Bhaura (No. 5) regarding "the culprits who have seriously injured Shri Harjinder Singh Bahla, a member of this House, disabling him from attending the House have not yet been traced" being similar to Call Attention Notice No. 1 was ruled out of order.

6. Call Attention Notice given by Sarvshri Satya Pal Dang, Jangir Singh and Bhan Singn Bhaura (No. 6) regarding "decision of the College teachers to boycott the University examinations because their demands have not been accepted" was ruled out of order on the ground that it related to an autonomous body over which the Government had no direct control.

7. On the Call Attention Notice given by Sarvshri Captain Rattan Singh, Darshan Singh, Gurmit Singh Mit, Moninder Singh Hans, Shiv Chand, Kirpal Sngh, Baloo Ram, Bhag Singh, Balwant Singn, Gurcharan Singh, Jagir Singh Dard and Darshan Singh (No. 7) regarding "replacement of National Flag by the Jan Sangh Flag on the Car of the Finance Minister....." the Chief Minister made a verbal statement and the Finance Minister gave personal explanation.

VI. Obituary References.

The Chief Minister made references to the death of the late —

1. Dr. Gopi Chand Bhargava, Ex-Chief Minister, Punjab;
2. Dr. Atma Singh; and
3. Capt. Keshub Chandra, Arya Samaj and Jan Sangh Leader.

Sardar Gian Singh Rerewala, Leader of the Opposition also made some observations.

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The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed in the House.

The House stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased.

VII. Papers laid on the Table

1. By the Revenue and Development Minister—

   (i) the Punjab Warehouses (Amendment) Rules, 1966, as required under sction 34(3) of the Punjab Warehouses Act, 1957.

   (ii) the Third Annual Report of the Punjab Agricultural University for the year 1964-65 as required under section 34 of the Punjab Agricultural University Act, 1961.

2. By the Chief Minister—

   the Delimitation Commission Order No. 13 regarding the Delimitation of Parliamentary and Assembly Constituencies in the State of Punjab as required under Section 10 (3) of the Delimitation Commission Act, 1962.

VIII. Financial Business.

The Minister for Finance presented the Supplementary Estimates for the year 1966-67.

The Sabha then adjourned till 2-00 p.m. on Wednesday, the 22nd March, 1967.

Bulletin No. 4

Wednesday, the 22nd March, 1967

(From 2-00 p.m. to 2.05 P.M.)

I. Report of the Business Advisory Committee.

The Speaker reported the time table fixed by the Business Advisory Committee in regard to various items of business.

The motion—

that this House agrees with the programme of business in the House upto the 6th April, as proposed by the Business Advisory Committee,

moved by Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjeet, was put and carried.

The Report was adopted.

The Sabha then adjourned till 2-00 p.m. on Monday, the 27th March, 1967.

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Bulletin No. 5

Monday, the 27th March, 1967,

(From 2-00 p.m. to 2-50 p.m.)

I. Questions

Th Speaker informed the House that the only one question which was on the Order paper had been postponed.

II. Adjournment Motion.

Adjournment motion given notice of by Shri Sat Pal Kapur regarding "the current rains in the State having damaged the crops substantially creating financial loss to the farmers, the House should discuss to give adequate relief to the farmers by (a) stoppage of recovery of Taccavi loans (b) remission of Land Revenue" was ruled out of order on the ground that this matter could be raised during the discussion on the Governor's Address or during the general discussion of the Budget and that according to the previous practice adjournment motions were not admitted during the Budget Session as ample opportunities would be available to Members for discussing such matters,

III Call-Attention Notices.

1. Call-Attention Notice given by Shri Sat Pal Kapur, (No. 8) regarding "the situation created due to the non-implementation of Kothari Commissions Grade to Teachers as announced by the Punjab Cabinet on the 14th February, 1967 and also not accepting the demands of college teachers of Government and Private Colleges resulting in threat of boycotting University work by them" was disallowed on the ground that the Member could raise this matter during the discussion on the Governor's Address or the Budget.

2. On the Call-Attenton Notice given by Shri Amrik Singh Randhawa (No. 9) regarding the incident "on or about the night between 21st/22nd March, 1967, in which two persons, armed with kirpans, forcibly entered into the house of a Lady Health Visitor in village Dhulka district Amritsar and, therefore, despite the resistances offered by the father of the girl (the Lady Health Visitor), they forcibly abducted her to another place and mercillessly raped her. The miscreants also attacked the father of the Lady Health Visitor and injured him mercillessly with kirpans. This daring incident has caused panic and concern in the minds of the people of this ilaqa while the Police have not succeeded in making any arrests so far" was disallowed on the ground that the matter was obviously sub-judice.

3. Call Attention Notice given by Shri Sat Pal Kapur (No. 11) regarding the "mounting resentment amongst, 10,000 Government Employees posted at Patiala due to non-acceptance of their demands of 12½ per cent compensatory allowance to them. The employees have been demonstrating in support of their demands and now they are planning to adopt higher forms of action" was disallowed on the ground that the matter

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could be raised during the discussion on the Governor's Address or the Budget.

4. Call-Attention Notice given by Shri Sat Pal Kapur (No. 12) regarding " the situation created due to failure of Escorts and Goetze Factories Bahadurgarh (Patiala) to grant interim relief on the basis of award of National Engineering Wage Board to the Engineering workers. The Workers are agitating and are on chain hunger strike since last week" was ruled out on the ground that the matter had nothing to do with the Government as it concerned private organisations.

5. On the Call-Attention Notice given by Sarvshri Sat Pal Kapur, Phuman Singh and Jangir Singh (No. 13) regarding "the failure so far to trace the armed culprits responsible for raping one after another a young unmarried Health Visitor posted at Village Dhoolka in Jandiala Police Station in Amritsar District and for seriously injuring her father and cutting off his arms on 19th/20th March-night, 1967" was disallowed on t e ground that the matter was sub judice.

6. Call Attention Notice given by chaudhri Sundar Singh (No. 14) regarding " the recent heavy rains and hailstroms in tehsil Pathankot, Gurdaspur District, and the consequent heavy loss suffered by the kisans to their standing crops especially in the villages of Ghazi Baruan, Kashi Baruan, Adam Baruan, Bassaoo Barwan, Jharoli, Jainpur, Pathana, Kilpur etc. was admitted. The Speaker asked the Government to make a statement.

7. On the Call Attention Notice given by Shri Prabodh Chandra (No. 15) regarding "the Brutal attack on the lady health visitor at village Dhoolka, District Amritsar" the Speaker said that he had already dealt with the motion. It was out of order as the matter was sub-judice.

8. Call-Attention Notices given by Shri Prabodh Chandra (No. 16) regarding "the dacoity at village Mehman, district Patiala where both husband and wife were killed", (No. 17) regarding "the forcible abduction of a married woman in broad day light at Sangrur after seriously injuring her husband" and (No. 18) regarding "the murder of a youngman at village Ratinda, Police Station Banga and failure of the Government to apprehend the culprits" were disallowed on the ground that the matters could be raised during the discussion on the Budget.

9. Call-Attention Notice given by Shri Prabodh Chandra (No. 19) regarding "the provocative speech delivered by the Chief Minis[illegible] at Khatkar Kalan on 23rd March, threatening Congressmen that if the did not desist from their efforts to add M.L.As. to their party, they will ve to face serious consequences" was ruled out of order on the ground at it was against the Chief Minister and for that other remedies like moving of a No Confidence Motion under the rules were available.

10. On the Call-Attention Notice given by Shri Sat Pal Kapur (No. 20) regarding "a dacoity in village Mehma, Police Station Julka (tehsil and district Patiala), resulting in the murder of two persons on 22nd March, in the evening. No arrest of the culprits were made so far"

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the Speaker observed that it had already been disallowed. The matter could be raised during the discussion on the Budget.

11. Call-Attention Notice given by Comrade Phuman Singh (No. 21) regarding "non supply of atta since beginning of March, 1967 to depots in Fazilka and Jalalabad areas of Ferozepore District. As this has resulted in severe hardships for a large number of people and had led to wide-spread discontent" was admitted. The Speaker asked the Minister concerned to make a statement.

IV. Question of Privilege.

The Speaker did not give his consent to the moving of the privilege motion given notice of by Pandit Mohan Lal (No. 1) to the effect "that the Finance Minister, while at Ferozepore on 24th March, 1967, made a statement to the Press that no fresh taxes are being levied in Punjab in the coming Budget. He further added that no further relief in taxes was proposed to be given that had been announced so far by the Government."

The Speaker observed that two points were involved in the notice namely—

1. that the Finance Minister had made some statements which were tentamount to a discussion of the Budget; and

2. that important statements should be made to the Vidhan Sabha.

So far as (1) was concerned, it was not known what the Finance Minister was going to say in his budget and therefore there could be no discloure of the budget as alleged. So far as (2) was concerned propriety required that important statements should be made in the House. There was however, no breach involved.

V. Point of Order.

At this stage Pandit Mohan Lal rising on a point of order suggested that before giving his ruling, the Speaker should be pleased to hear the view point of the Member seeking to raise a question of Privilege. The Speaker agreeing to the suggestion assured the Members that in future he would give them an opportunity for the purpose in his Chamber.

VI. Observation made by the Speaker.

The Speaker observed—

that during the sitting there were three items of business before the House.—

1. Discussion of Supplementary Estimates;
2. Discussion of the Appropriation Bill; and
3. Election of the Deputy Speaker.

The Business Advisory Committee had desired that discussion of the Supplementary Estimates and the discussion of the Appropriation Bill

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should take place on the same day. Therefore, he would allot time upto 4-15 p.m. for the discussion of the Supplementary Estimates. The Guillotin would be applied at 4-00 p.m. There after the Appropriation Bill would be discussed. The Guillotin in relating to the Appropriation Bill would apply at 6-00 P.M. After all the stages had been covered and the bill passed the House would take up the next item, namely the Election of the Deputy Speaker.

VII. Supplementary Estimates for 1966-67.

1. Discussion on the Estimates of the expenditure charged on the Revenue of the State.

The Speaker asked the Members that those who wished to raise a discussion on the charged items, might do so.

No Member rose to speak.

2. Demands for Supplementary Grants

The Demands and cut motions given notice of by the Members in respect of the Demands were deemed to have been read and moved. In accordance with the past practice a general discussion on all the Supplementary Demands was permitted and the Members participating in the discussion were asked to mention the particular demand they were going to discuss.

One Member from the Opposition spoke for five minutes.

The Demands were then one by one put and carried.

VIII. The Punjab Appropriation Bill, 1967.

The Bill was introduced by the Finance Minister who moved that it be taken into consideration at once.

The Minister for Public Works and Education spoke for five minutes.

The motion that the Bill be taken into consideration at once, was put and carried.

All the clauses of the Bill were carried and the Bill was passed.

IX. Election of the Deputy Speaker

Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjeet moved—

that Dr. Jagjit Singh, be the Deputy Speaker of the Assembly.

The Motion was seconded by Shri Balbir Singh and Shri Lal Chand Suberwal.

No other Member having been proposed Dr. Jagjit Singh was declared elected as Deputy Speaker.

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The Speaker made some congratulatory remarks.

The Sabha then adjourned till 9-00 a. m. on Tuesday, the 28th March, 1967.

'Bulletin No. 6

Tuesday, the 28th March, 1967

(From 9-00 a.m. to 9-55 a.m.)

Presentation of Budget for the year 1967-68 with the vote on Account

The Finance Minister presented the Budget Estimates for the year 1967-68 along with the "Vote on Account" for the first three months of the year.

The Sabha then adjourned till 9-00 a.m. on Wendesday, the 29th March, 1967.

Bulletin No. 7

Wednesday, the 29th March, 1967.

(From 9-00 a.m. to 1-00 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred—		
Total No. on the Order paper	...	9
Answered	...	6
Postponed	...	3
No. of Supplementaries	...	32
(b) Unstarred		Nil

II. Adjournment Motions—

Adjournment Motion given notice of the by Miss Sarla Prashar (No. 2) regarding "the rape of a Lady Health Visitor of village Dhulka, Amritsar, district by certain decoits" was ruled out of order on the ground that according to practice adjournment motions are not admitted during the Budget Session as such matters can be raised during the discussion on the Budget. The Chief Minister made some remarks.

2. Adjournment motion given notice by Sardar Gian Singh Rarewala (No.3) about "attack by about ten thousands persons on the sacred Gurdwara Baghmari, Calcutta, and burning thereof. Two copies of the holy Granth Sahib were also burnt during this attack. The sacred Nishan Sahib was also burnt. The rooms attached to the Gurdwara have also been burnt away. Besides this, forty to fifty buses and trucks, belonging

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to the Sikhs of that *ilaqa* have also been burnt. The Sikhs defended their sacred Gurdwara as also their persons and property. This resulted in firing by the Police. Consequently four Sikhs were seriously injured. The Granthi of the Gurdwara (S. Hira Singh) as also the Treasurer of the Gurdwara were assaulted. Because of this huge loss of property and damage to the holy shrine, the Sikhs of the *ilaqa* have observed Hartal. Taking into consideration the importance of this incident, many Members of the Lok Sabha are stated to have gone over to Calcutta". This was ruled out of order on the ground that this matter related to an other State. The Speaker observed that the hon. Member might discuss it with the Chief Minister and request him to take up the matter with the Union Government and the Bengal Government.

The Chief Minister informed the House, of the action he had taken in the matter.

III. Call Attention Notices

1. Call-Attention Notice (No. 10) give by Sarvshri Jangir Singh Joga and Bhan Singh Bhaura was regarding the failure to ply buses by "The Patiala Engineering Transport Company Private Ltd. Rampura Phull" on Rampura Phul-Jaitu and Kot Kapura Routes *via* Bhairpura and Salbatpure etc. was admitted.

The Speaker asked the Government to ascertain the position and inform the House.

2. Call-Attention Notice given by Shri Bhan Singh Bhaura (No. 22) was regarding the announcement of the Government to abolish the department of B.D.O's especially Gramsewaks and Gramsewakas etc. which had caused frustration and disappointment among these employees.
This was admitted.

3. Call attention notice given by Sarvshri Balwant Sihgh and Jai Muni (No. 23) regarding the total destruction caused by hailstrom in the sixteen villages of Dorangla Block etc. was disallowed as a similar motion on the subject had already been admitted.

4. The Call-Attention Notice given by Sardar Balwant Singh (No. 24) regarding the action taken by the Government on the decision of the Estimates Committee of this House recommending the termination of contract entered into by the Punjab Government with the Birla Farm was admitted and the Minister concerned was asked to make a statement.

5. Call-Attention Notices given by Shri Sat Pal Kapur Nos. 25, 26 and 27 were disallowed as these were in substance notices of adjournment motions.

IV. Papers Laid on the Table

By the Chief Minister—

The Punjab Anatomy Rules, 1966, as required under Section 10 (8) of the Punjab Anatomy Act, 1963.

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V. Demands for Grants on Account for April to June, 1967.

(a) Discussion on the Demands for Grants on Account —

The Speaker permitted a general discussion on all the Demands for Grants on account together which were deemed to have been read and moved and asked the Members participating in the discussion to mention the demand which they were going to discuss.

(b) Guillotine and time for discussion

He observed that guillotine would be applied half an hour before the hour of interruption and that keeping in view the time at their disposal, both the Treasury benches as well as the Opposition benches would each get one hour and 25 minutes for discussion and the Finance Minister 30 minutes for reply to the debate.

Three Members from the Treasury benches and 3 from the Opposition, took part in the discussion speaking for 38 and 87 minutes respectively.

The Minister for Public Works and Education spoke for 37 minutes.

The Minister for Finance by way of reply spoke for 27 minutes.

VI. Voting of the Demands for Grant on Account

At 12-58 p.m. guillotine was applied. The Speaker in consultation with the House, decided to put all the demands together to the Vote of the House.

Demands Nos. 1 to 8, 9 to 20, 21 to 31 and 32 to 50 were put and carried.

The Deputy Speaker was in chair from 11-15 a.m. to 12-12- p.m.

The Sabha then adjourned till 9-00 a.m. on Thursday, the 30th March, 1967.

Bulletin No. 8

Thursday, the 30th March, 1967.

(From 9-00 a.m. to 1.05 p.m.)

I. Questions

The Speaker permitted Shri Harcharan Singh Hudiara to raise an urgent matter of public importance relating to the serious happenings at Calcutta. But on an objection raised by several members of the Opposition that according to Rules of procedure the first hour of a sitting was available for oral answers to questions only, he, in consultation with the House, dispensed with the question hour.

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II. Statement by the Chief Minister

The Chief Minister made a verbal statement on the serious happenings at Calcutta and the action taken by him in the matter.

III. Call-Attention Notices

1. Call-Attention Notice (No. 28) given by Sarvshri Satyapal Dang, Jangir Singh Joga, Bhan Singh Bhaura, Phuman Singh and Munsha Singh regarding non-payment of salaries to the Traffic Staff including constables, S.I.'s and Inspectors etc. was admitted and the Minister concerned was asked to make a statement.

2. Call-Attention Notice (No. 29) given by Sarvshri Satyapal Dang, Phuman Singh, Jangir Singh, Bhan Singh Bhaura and Munsha Singh, regarding the decision of the Engineers of Irrigation Department to go on 7 days' strike with effect from 3rd April, 1967 to be followed by an indefinite strike etc. was disallowed as the Finance Minister had already given an assurance on 29th March, 1967 in this connection.

3. Call-Attention Notice (No. 30) given by Sarvshri Satyapal Dang, Jangir Singh Joga, Bhan Singh Bhaura, Phuman Singh and Munsha Singh regarding the fact that during the night between 20th and 21st March, 1967 or thereabout three crimes—one murder of a doctor and two robberies-had taken place in village Ghuman, Madiala and another village all nearly on the same road and under the same Police post etc. was admitted.

4. Call-Attention Notice (No. 31) given by Shri Kirpal Singh Dhillon, regarding the rising of the water level of the Black Bein at Kanjli Bridge in Kapurthala District resulting in acute water logging of thousands of Acres of fertile land etc. was admitted.

5. Call-Attention Notice (No. 32) given by Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill, regarding certain villages of Ferozepore Cantt. Assembly constituency having been hit by hailstrom during the recent rain as a result of which the crops of the peasants have been destroyed etc. was admitted.

The Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect of these admitted motions.

6. Call-Attention Notice (No. 33) given by Shri Mohinder Singh, regarding the use of the Punjabi language in the proceedings of the Vidhan Sabha and in the budget documents etc. was disallowed on the ground that it was concerned with the proceedings of the House which was within the purview of the Speaker, and that the languages used were permitted by the Constitution and the relevant acts.

IV. Papers laid on the Table.

By the Chief Minister—

The Election Commission's Order No. 13-A, dated the 2nd February, 1967, relating to corrections to the Delimitation Commission's Order No. 13

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dated the 23rd November, 1966, regarding the Delimitation of Parliamentary and Assembly Constituencies in the State of Punjab as required under Section 11 (2) of the Delimitation Commission Act, 1962.

V. Announcement.

By the Secretary [under Rule 2 of the Punjab State Legislature (Communications) Rules, 1959]—

That the Punjab Appropriation Bill, 1967, passed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on the 27th March, 1967, and transmitted to the Punjab Vidhan Parishad for its recommendations the same day, had been agreed to by the said Vidhan Parishad without any recommendation on the 29th March, 1967.

VI. Legislative Business.

The Punjab Appropriation (Vote on Account) Bill, 1967 .

The Bill was introduced by the Finance Minister who moved that it be taken into consideration at once.

VII. Guillotine and time for Discussion.

The Speaker informed the House that guillotine would be applied at 1-00 p.m. and keeping in view the time at their disposal, both the Treasury benches as well as the Opposition benches would each get one and a half hour for discussion and the Finance Minister the rest of the time for reply to the debate.

Four Members from the Opposition and one from the Treasury benches took part in the discussion speaking for 86 and 26 minutes respectively.

The Minister for Public Works and Education spoke for 4 minutes by way of personal explanation.

The Minister for Revenue and Development and the Chief Minister spoke for 30 and 37 minutes respectively.

The Minister for Finance, by way of reply to the debate spoke for 20 minutes.

The motion that the Bill be taken into consideration at once was put and carried. All the clauses of the Bill were, one by one, carried and the Bill was passed.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 10-25 a.m. to 1-05 p.m.

The Sabha then adjourned till 9-00 a.m. on Friday, the 31st March, 1967.

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Bulletin No. 9

Friday the 31st March, 1967

(From 9-00 am.. to 1-30 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred—

Lists of questions for 30th March, 1967 and 31st March, 1967 were taken up.

Total No. of questions on the Order paper.	Answered	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
18	15	3	62

(b) Unstarred—Nil

(c) Short Notice Question—1

II. Call-attention Notices

The Speaker informed the House that only those Call-Attention Notices would be mentioned in the House which had been admitted. The Members whose notices had been disallowed, had already been informed.

1. Call-Attention Notice (No. 34) given by Sardar Dalip Singh regarding heavy damage caused to crops by recent rains and floods in Amritsar District in the areas between river Ravi and Nalha Sakki etc. was admitted.

2. Call-Attention Notice (No. 35) given by Sardar Tirth Singh regarding the steps proposed to be taken by the Government for the inclusion of Chandigarh in the Punjab.

3. Call-Attention Notice (No. 36) given by Shri Sat Pal Kapur regarding the situation arising out of the decision of strike by technical employees of the Electricity Board, was admitted.

4. Call-Attention Notice (No. 37) given by Shri Sat Pal Kapur regarding heavy damage to the standing crops of wheat and grams etc. due to the recent heavy rains and hail-storm in the State etc, was admitted.

5. Call-Attention Notice (No.39) given by Sarvshir Satyapal Dang and Bhan Singh Bhaura regarding the recent spurt in prices of indigenous wheat and atta was admitted.

The Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect of these admitted motions.

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III. (a) Statement Laid on the Table.

By the Chief Minister—

On the Call-Attention Notice (No. 28) regarding "non-payment of salaries to the Traffic Staff including constables, S.I.'s and Inspectors etc."

(b) Statement made by the Chief Minister

On the Call-Attention Notice (No. 10) regarding, "the Patiala Engineering Transport Company Private Ltd. Rampura Phul on Rampura Phul-Jaitu and Kot Kapura Routes *via* Bhairupa and Salabatpure etc."

IV. Announcements

By the Speaker—

(a) Nomination of Members of the House Committee under Rule 267.

1. Dr. Jagjit Singh—Deputy Speaker, Ex-officio.
2. Sardar Karnail Singh (Pukkakalan).
3. Sardar Gurmail Singh.
4. Sardar Gurbachan Singh (Rupar).

The Speaker desired that a Lady Member be asked to attend meetings as a special invitee.

(b) By the Secretary—

That the Punjab Appropriation (Vote on Account) Bill, 1967, passed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on the 30th March, 1967 and transmitted to the Punjab Vidhan Parishad for its recommendations, had been agreed to by the said Vidhan Parishad without any recommendation the same day.

V. Resolutions

Shri Mohan Lal, a Member of the Opposition, while moving the Resolution—

> "That this House recommends with a view to ensuring fair remunerative price to the producer, and fair distribution and availability at reasonable rates to the consumer of all food-grains, the Government should take immediate steps to resort to State Trading in food-grains."

spoke for 36 minutes.

Four Members from the Opposition and six Members from the Treasury benches took part in the discussion speaking for 74 and 87 minutes respectively.

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VI Statements by the Chief Minister

(i) Regarding the dissolution of the Committee of three Legislators announced on 30th March, 1967 to go into the allegations made by Shri Prabodh Chandra against the Minister for Public Works and Education, Sardar Lachhman Singh Gill.

(ii) Regarding the appointment of the State Vigilance Committee consisting of five Legislators.

VII. Observations by the Speaker

The Speaker observed that in view of the formation of the State Vigilance Committee, it would be better, if the Members, before making any allegations against each other consulted him so that allegations without substance be avoided.

VIII. Walk-out

The entire Opposition staged a walk-out, when the Chairman (Shri Lal Chand Suberwal) did not agree to put the motion moved by Shri Mohan Lal, that question be now put.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 10-06 a.m. to 11-57 a.m. and then Shri Lal Chand Suberwal from 12-54 p.m. to 1-30 p.m.

The Sabha then adjourned till 2-00 p.m. on Monday, the 3rd April, 1967.

Bulletin No 10

Monday, the 3rd April, 1967

(From 2-00 p.m. to 6-30 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred—

Total number of questions on the order paper	Answered	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries.
11	8	3	44

(b) Unstarred .. Nil.

II. Personal explanation by a Member.

Shri Prabodh Chandra, a Member of the Opposition, gave his personal explanation in regard to what he said was Minister's incomplete reference to the reasons given in his letter, while dissolving the Committee appointed to go into the allegations made by him against a minister.

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III. Statement laid on the Table

By the Chief Minister—

On the Call-Attention Notices—

(i) (No. 21) regarding non-supply of atta since beginning of March, 1967 to depots in Fazilka and Jalalabad areas of district Ferozepore etc.

(ii) (No. 30) regarding three crimes of murder and robberies committed in villages Ghumman, Madiala etc. during the night between the 20th and 21st March, 1967.

(iii) (No. 31) regarding the rising of water level of the Black Bein at Kanjli Bridge in Kapurthala District etc.

(iv) (No. 35) regarding steps proposed to be taken by Government for the inclusion of Chandigarh in the Punjab.

IV. Statement made by the Chief Minister.

The Chief Minister made a statement regarding assault on a young Lady Health Visitor in village Dhoolka.

V. Papers laid on the Table

By the Chief Minister—

The Annual Statements of Accounts of the Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 1961-62, 1962-63 and 1963-64 together with the Audit Reports thereon as required under Section 69 (5) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.

VI Discussion on Governor's Address

Shri Balramji Dass Tandon while moving the motion—

That an Address be presented to the Governor in the following terms :—

"That the Members of the Vidhan Sabha assembled in this Session are deeply grateful to the Governor for the Address which he has been pleased to deliver to both the Houses of the State Legislature assembled together on the 21st March, 1967."

spoke for 50 minutes.

Comrade Jangir Singh Joga seconded the motion with a speech lasting 19 minutes.

VII. Point of Order

Jathedar Jangir Singh Phaguwalia raised a point of order suggesting that Budget documents be supplied in the Punjabi Language alone, and the

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lists of questions be also supplied one day in advance. Several Members made some remarks on the speech.

The Deputy Speaker assured the members that a detailed statement would be made on the subject after due consultations with the honcurable Speaker and various parties in the House.

Four Members from the Opposition and 2 members from the Treasury Benches took part in the discussion on the Governor's Address speaking for 113 and 34 minutes, respectively.

Sardar Karnail Singh Jathedar, a Member from the Treasury Benches had spoken for 5 minutes and was still in possession of the House, when it adjourned.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 3-38 p. m. to 6-30 p.m.

The Sabha then adjourned till 2-00 P.M. on Tuesday, the 4th April, 1967.

Bulletin No. 11

Tuesday, the 4th April, 1967

(From 2-00 p.m. to 6-30 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) *Starred—*

Total number of questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
6	6	..	26

(b) *Unstarred* .. Nil

The Questions lasted for 28 minutes.

II. Questions of Privileges

1. On the question of privilege sought to be raised by Shri Satpal Kapur regarding the alleged wrong statement made by the Chief Minister on the 30th March, 1967 about the arrest of culprits by the Police in a dacoity committed at village Mehman, Police Station Jhulkan, district Patiala, the Chief Minister made a few observations.

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The Speaker refused to give his consent to the motion in view of these observations.

2. On the Question of Privilege sought to be raised by Shri Prabodh Chandra regarding the alleged intentional misleading of the House by the Chief Minister by accusing the Congress for the Calcutta disturbances the Speaker observed that all that the Chief Minister had said was that he had been informed on the telephone by some one to that effect but he could not vouch for the authenticity of that report.

The Speaker refused to give his consent to the motion.

Shri Prabodh Chandra made a few observations also.

III. Call-Attention Notices

1. Call-Attention Notice (No. 41) given by Sarvshri Jangir Singh Joga, Satyapal Dang, Bhan Singh Bhaura and Munsha Singh regarding reduction in the quota of sugar being allowed to the consumers in the State to 1 Kilo per head per month was admitted.

2. On the Call Attention Notice (No. 42) given by Sarvshri Jangir Singh Joga, Satyapal Dang, Phuman Singh, Bhan Singh Bhaura and Munsha Singh regarding the seven days' strike of Temporary Engineers of P.W.D. Irrigation Department starting from 3rd April, 1967 the Minister for Public Works and Education made a statement.

3. Call-Attention Notice (No. 43) given by Chaudhri Darshan Singh was disallowed on the ground that it was based on a press statement.

4. Call-Attention Notices (Nos. 44 and 45) given by Shri Prabodh Chandra and Shri Satpal Kapur regarding recent kidnapping of a married woman in the presence of her husband at Patiala on 2nd April, 1967 were admitted as one notice.

5. Call-Attention Notice (No. 46) given by Shri Bhan Singh Bhaura regarding the delay in not declaring the final result of the P.C.S. and Allied Services Examinations conducted in 1965, was admitted.

6. Call-Attention Notice (No. 47) given by Shri Mohan Lal regarding withdrawal, with immediate effect, by the Government of the exemption granted under the Central Sales Tax Act etc. was admitted.

The Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect of these admitted motions.

IV. By the Minister for Revenue and Development

On the Call-Attention Notice (No. 14) regarding serious damage caused to the standing crops due to heavy rains and hail-storms in tehsil Pathankot, district Gurdaspur etc.

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V. Discussion on Governor's Address

Sardar Karnail Singh Jathedar, a Member of the Treasury Benches, who was in possession of the House when it adjourned on the 3rd April, 1967, resumed his speech and spoke for 5 minutes.

One amendment to the Motion given notice of by Sardar Darshan Singh was deemed to have been read and moved.

Six Members from the Opposition and 4 from the Treasury Benches took part in the discussion speaking for 142 and 78 minutes respectively.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 3-27 p.m. to 4-55 p.m. and from 5-40 p.m. to 6-30 p.m. and Shri Mohan Lal a Member of the Panel of Chairmen, from 4-55 p.m. to 5-40 p.m.

The Sabha then adjourned till 1-00 P.M. on Wednesday, the 5th April, 1967.

Bulletin No. 12

Wednesday, the 5th April, 1967

(From 1-00 p.m. to 4-44 p.m.)

I. Call-Attention Notices

1. Call Attention Notices (Nos. 50 and 53) given by Sarvshri Balwant Singh and Baldev Singh, respectively, were not taken up as the Members concerned were not present.

2. Call-Attention Notice (No. 51) given by Chaudhri Darshan Singh regarding the Public statement made by the Revenue Minister earmarking the boundary of the present Punjab for Food Zone, was admitted.

The Minister concerned was asked to make a statement.

II. Papers laid on the Table

By the Minister for Revenue and Development—

> "The Punjab Panchyat Samitis and Zila Parishads Non-Official Members (Payment of Allownces) (First Amendment) Rules, 1966, as required under Section 115 (4) of the Punjab Panchayat Samities and Zila Parishads Act, 1961."

III. Personal Explanation by a Member

Sardar Harkishan Singh Surjeet gave his personal explanation refuting the charge levelled by a Member of the Opposition that he had seen or had been shown the Government files relating to the Betterment levy.

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IV Resumption of Discussion on the Governor's Address

Six Members from the Opposition and 3 Members from the Treasury Benches took part in the discussion on the Governor's Address speaking for 111 and 32 minutes, respectively.

The Chief Minister while replying to the debate spoke for 41 minutes.

Out of the two amendments to the motion, amendment No. 1 given by the Leader of the Opposition, was put to the Vote of the House. The opinion of the Speaker being challenged, the Members were made to rise in their places and declared carried (53 : 49).

The other amendment was declared redundant in view of its being covered by amendment No. 1.

At this stage there was loud noise and constant thumping of the tables by the Opposition. Several Members of the Opposition raised points of order demanding the resignation of the Government on the ground that the Opposition amendment to the Motion of Thanks having been carried.

The Motion, as amended, was put to the House and carried.

The Sabha then adjourned till 9-00 a.m. on Thursday, the 6th April, 1967.

Bulletin No. 13

Thursday, the 6th April, 1967

(From 9-00 a.m. to 10-27 a.m.)

I. Points of Order

Before the Questions were taken up Shri Prabodh Chandra raised a Point of Order that in view of the Government's defeat on 5th April, 1967 in the voting on an amendment to the Motion of Thanks the Government should resign as the Oppostion did not recognise it.

There was great thumping of tables and noise in the House by the Opposition.

Shri Balramji Das Tandon rising on a Point of Order suggested that since the first hour of the sitting was available for oral answers to questions only, other matters be taken up after the Question Hour.

There was again thumping of tables by the Opposition and nothing was audible in the House.

The Speaker appealed to both sides of the House to maintain order and decorum in the House and discuss the matter in a cool and calm

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manner. He observed that his duty was to conduct the business of the House and not demand resignation of the Government. He asked the Opposition to co-operate with him in conducting the business according to the Agenda

Several Members from the Opposition including Sarvshri Prabodh Chandra, Mohan Lal, Prem Singh and others raised Points of Order.

Similarly Sarvshri Balbir Singh, Sardar Singh, Lal Chand Suberwal and others from the Treasury Benches raised Points of Order.

The Chief Minister stated briefly that the question of Government's resignation did not arise as voting on the amendment did not involve any rejection of the Policy of the Government.

II. Short Adjournment of the House

The Opposition again started thumping the tables and there was a lot of noise in the House.

The Speaker thereupon adjourned the House for half an hour at 9-48 a.m.

When the House re-assembled at 10-18 a.m. Shri Darshan Singh from the Opposition again raised the Point of Order questioning the constitutional and legal position of the Government, and again there was noise in the House.

III. Motion under Rule 16

The Motion moved by the Chief Minister —

"That this House at its rising to-day shall adjourn *sine die*." was carried.

The Sabha then adjourned *sine-die*.

Bulletin No 14

Friday, the 5th May, 1967

(From 2-00 p.m. to 4-22 p.m.)

As soon as the House met, various Points of Order were raised which led to grave disorder in the House. Therefore, the Speaker adjourned the House at 2-15 p.m. for half an hour.

When the House re-assembled at 2-45 p.m.' statements were made by certain honourable Members about their having been mishandled by outsiders within the precincts of the Vidhan Bhavan. Points of Privilege and Points of Order were raised and challenges were thrown and accepted by Members. This again led to grave disorder. The Speaker again adjourned the House at 3-09 p.m. for half an hour.

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When the House re-assembled at 3-39 p.m., a Minister of State wanted to speak, but there was an excess of noise in the House and shouting. Sarvshri Prabodh Chandra, Mohan Lal, Darshan Singh and Darbara Singh suggested that Leaders of both the parties should meet to devise ways and means to end a repetition of the kind of incident that had happened within the premises of the Vidhan Bhavan. The Chief Minister made a statement condemning the incident.

The Speaker referred the entire matter to the Committee of Privileges.

There was again a lot of noise and thumping of tables resulting in grave disorder. The Speaker, therefore, adjourned the House at 4-22 p.m. till 2-00 p.m. on Monday, the 8th May, 1967.

The Sabha then adjourned till 2-00 p.m. on Monday, the 8th May, 1967.

Bulletin No 15

Monday, the 8th May, 1967

(From 2-00 P.M. to 6-28 P.M.)

Before questions were taken up Shri Prabodh Chandra enquired whether the Honourable Speaker or the Government would make a statement on the incident of the 5th May.

The Speaker made a statement regretting and condemning the incidents. He explained the steps taken by him for ensuring safety of the Members and preventing the recurrence of such incidents in future. He appealed to the Members of the Opposition to accept his assurance and allow the normal proceedings to be carried on.

I. Questions

The questions started with the lists of postponed Starred Questions for the 5th April, and 8th May, 1967 and thereafter the lists of Starred Questions for the 5th and 6th April, and 5th and 8th May, 1967.

(a) Starred—

Total number of questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
76	18	1	33

The remaining Starred Questions were deemed to have been answered and replies thereto were laid on the Table of the House under Rule 45.

(b) Un-starred — 36

II. Obituary References

The Chief Minister made refernces to the death of Sardar Boota Singh, Ex-Deputy Speaker, Punjab Vidhan Sabha. The Leader of the Opposition also made observations. The Speaker associated himself

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with the sentiments expressed and directed that a resolution of condolence be conveyed to the family of the deceased.

The House stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased

III. Adjournment Motion

The Speaker disallowed the adjournment motion given notice of by Shri Prabodh Chandra regarding the beating of Sardar Baldev Singh, M.L.A., within the Assembly Building and failure of the Government and the Speaker to give protection to the Member on the ground that according to past practice adjournment motions were not allowed during the Budget Session as ample opportunities were available for raising such matters during the General Discussion of the Budget.

IV. Call-Attention Notices

(i) Call-Attention Notice (No. 59) given by Comrade Harkishen Singh Surjeet regarding death of a devoted revolutionary Comrade Ajit Singh Manikpuri in Civil Hospital, Jullundur, was admitted.

(ii) Call-Attention Notice (No. 61) given by Shri A. Vishwa Nathan regarding the alleged act of sabotage by certain persons during the strike of employees of the Punjab Electricity Board, was admitted.

(iii) Call Attention Notice (No. 62) given by Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill regarding committing of self immolation by Bhai Anand Singh in Gurdwara Bhadurpur, district Amritsar, was admitted.

(iv) Call-Attention Notice (No. 63) given by Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill regarding failure of Government to fix reasonable and remunerative prices of foodgrains despite large arrivals thereof in the Markets, was admitted.

The Speaker asked the Ministers concerned to make statements. He informed the House that the remaining Call-Attention Notices would be taken up tomorrow.

V. Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee

The Speaker presented the report of the Business Advisory Committee setting down the programme of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha for its sittings commencing on the 5th May, 1967. He observed that the programme would be shifted by one day in view of the fact that no business could be transacted on the 5th May.

The Motion moved by the Finance Minister--

> "That this House agrees with the recommendations contained in the Second Report of Business Advisory Committee".

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was carried as amended on an amendment moved by a Member of the Opposition and accepted by the House.

VI. Papers laid on the Table

(a) By the Chief Parliamentary Secretary—

Statement by the Development and Local Government Minister in connection with Call-Attention Notice No. 22, dated 29th March, 1967.

(b) By the Minister of Education and Irrigation and Power—

(i) Annual Statements of Accounts of the Punjab Electricity Board, Patiala for the years 1964-65 and 1965-66, together with the audit reports thereon as required under Section 69 (5) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.

(ii) The annual Administration Report of the Punjab State Electricity Board, Patiala, for the year 1965-66, as required under section 75 (1-A) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.

(c) By the Development and Local Government Minister—

The Punjab Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads (Leave) Rules, 1967, as required under section 115 (4) of the Punjab Panchayat Samities and Zila Parishads Act, 1961.

VII. Motion regarding Nomination of three M.L.C.s each on the Public Accounts Committee and Estimates Committee.

The Motion moved by the Finance Minister—

"That this House recommends to the Punjab Vidhan Parishad that they do agree to nominate three Members from the Vidhan Parishad to associate with the Public Accounts Committee and three members to associate with the Committee on Estimates of the Vidhan Sabha for the year 1967-68 and to communicate to this House the names of the Members so nominated by the Vidhan Parishad."

was put and carried.

VIII. Announcements.

By the Speaker—

(1) Committees of Privileges—

1. Shri Lal Chand Suberwal.
2. Comrade Bhan Singh Bhaura.
3. Sardar Darbara Singh Nurmahal.

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4. Dr. Gurdev Singh.

5. Sardar Harbhajan Singh.

6. Sardar Harcharan Singh Brar.

7. Pandit Mohan Lal.

8. Chaudhri Sunden Singh.

9. Sardar Surjeet Singh.

10. Sri A. Vishwa Nathan.

The Speaker nominated Shri Lal Chand Suberwal as Chairman of the Committee.

(2) By the Secretary.—

A Statement showing the Bills which had been passed by the Punjab State Legislature during the Budget Session 1966 and assented to by the Governor.

IX. General Discussion of the Budget for 1967-68.

Two Members from the Opposition and two from the Treasury Benches took part in the discussion speaking for 98 and 79 minutes respectively.

X. Personal Explanations.

1. By Sardar Balwant Singh, Minister—
In regard to allegations read out by Shri Mohan Lal from a letter, a copy of which had been received by him from Sardar Atma Singh.

2. By Shri Bhajan Lal regarding his joining the Congress Party.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 3-27 p.m. to 5-08 p.m. and Shri Lal Chand Suberwal a Member of the Panel of Chairmen, from 5-08 p.m. to 6-28 p.m.

The Sabha then adjourned till 2-00 p.m. on Tuesday, the 9th May, 1967.

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Bulletin No. 16

Tuesday, the 9th May, 1967

(From 2-00 P.M. to 6-30 P.M.)

I. Questions.

(a) Starred.—

The Questions started with supplementaries to Starred Question No. 53 appearing at page 3 in the list of Starred Questions for the 5th April, 1967 and thereafter with the list of Starred Questions for the 9th May, 1967.

Total number of questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
21	17	1	3	50

(b) Unstarred.—Nil.

II. Obituary References

The Chief Minister made references to the deaths of Munshi Ahmed Din and Seth Sudarshan, Ex-M.L.A. The Leader of the Opposition also made some observations. The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed and directed that the Resolutions of condolence be conveyed to the families of the deceased.

The House stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased.

III Naming of a Member.

When the Speaker referred to the adjournment motion given notice of by Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill, the Honourable Memer got up and began to speak and continued speaking despite warnings by the Speaker to stop making a speech.

The Speaker named the Member and asked him to withdraw from the House for the day for persistently obstructing the proceedings. He further ordered that whatever the Member had said, would not form part of the proceedings.

Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill withdrew from the House.

IV. Adjournment Motion.

Adjournment motion given notice of by Comrade Bhan Singh Bhaura regarding dismantling of the memorial of martyrs of the Phagwara

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Bomb Case by the local Police, was disallowed on the ground that adjournment motions were not allowed during the Budget Session as ample opportunities were available for raising this matter during the general discussion of the Budget.

V. Call-Attention Notices

(i) Call-Attention Notice (No. 54) given by Sri A. Vishwa Nathan regarding the great hardship caused to the Ludhiana City resulting from the delay in sanctioning the budget proposals sent by the Municipality, was admitted.

(ii) Call-Attention Notice (No. 55) given by Sadar Sikander Singh regarding failure of the Punjab Government to secure a decision of the Central Government on the appeals of the Government employees with domicile in Punjab but allocated to other States, was admitted.

(iii) Call-Attention Notice (No. 64) given by Sardar Gian Singh Rarewala regarding disappearance of Dr. Amarjit Singh of Patiala, was admitted.

(iv) Call Attention Notice (No. 69) given by Chaudhri Darshan Singh regarding arrest of Dr. Shanti Parkash, M.L.A., was admitted.

(v) Call-Attention Notice (No. 70) given by Sardar Sikander Singh regarding scarcity of sugar in the rural areas of Gurdaspur etc., was admitted.

(vi) Call-Attention Notice (No. 71) given by Shri Harbans Lal Khanna regarding hunger-strike resorted to by the Private Teachers Association of Private Association, was admitted.

The Speaker asked the Minister's concerned to make statements. He informed the House that the remaining Call-Attention Notices/Privilege Motions would be taken up tomorrow.

VI. Walk-out.

On a request from the Leader of the Opposition that Shri Mohinder Singn Gill was to address the House on the Budget and that he might be allowed to come back in the House, the Speaker agreed provided the honourable Member expressed his regret for his conduct and assured the House that he would maintain its dignity in future. Tne honourable Member returned, but expressed no regret. On his refusal the Speaker ordered him to leave the House. The Member refused. But when the Speaker ordered the Marshal to take him out, the entire Opposition staged a walkout.

VII. Papers Laid on the Table.

By the Chief Parliamentary Secretary—

1. A Statement by the Chief Minister on Call-Attention Notice No. 56 dated 6th April, 1967.

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2. A Statement by the Public Works and Education Minister regarding Call-Attention Notice No. 61, dated the 5th May, 1967.

3. A Statement by the Chief Minister on a Call-Attention Notice No. 62 dated the 5th May, 1967.

VIII. Leave of Absence.

The Speaker read out the relevant extracts from the application sent by Sardar Harjinder Singh Behla requesting for leave of absence from the sittings of current session of the Vidhan Sabha on account of his prolonged illness. Leave asked for was granted by the Sabha.

IX. Resumption of General Discussion on the Budget for 1967-68.

One Member from the Opposition and eight Members from the Treasury Benches took part in the discussion speaking for one minute and 158 minutes, respectively.

Deputy Minister for Finance spoke for 24 minutes.

X. Point of Order.

Chaudhri Balbir Singh raised a point of order that during the General Discussion of the Budget, all the Heads of Departments should be present for taking down notes pertaining to their Departments with a view to removing complaints ventilated by the Members in their speeches.

The Finance Minister assured the Member that immediate instructions will be issued accordingly.

Shri Lal Chand Suberwal and Sardar Surjeet Singh Members of the Panel of Chairmen occupied the Chair from 4.12 p.m. to 4-18 p.m. and 4-18 p.m. to 6-30 p.m. respectively.

The Sabha then adjourned till 2-00 P.M. on Wednesday, the 10th May, 1967.

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Bulletin No. 17

Wednesday the 10th May, 1967

(From 2-00 p.m. to 6-30 p.m.)

I. Questions.

(a) Starred.—

The Questions started with asking of supplementaries to Starred Question No. 91 at page 7 in the list of Starred Questions for the 9th May, 1967 and thereafter the regular list of Starred Questions for the 10th, May, 1967.

Total number of questions on the Order paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
24	22	1	1	56

(b) Unstarred— 3

II. Call-Attention Notices.

1. Call-Attention Notice (No. 65) given by Sardar Sardar Singh regarding denial of passport to Panthic Leader Master Tara Singh, was admitted.

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 73) given by Comrade Munsha Singh regarding high-handedness of the police in demolishing the memorial to the martys of the Phagwara Bomb Case, was admitted.

The Speaker asked the Ministers concerned to make statements.

III. Question of Privilege.

On a question of Privilege sought to be raised by Sardar Balwant Singh, Minister, regarding allegations made by an Honourable Member against him, the Speaker observed that he would examine the matter and deferred his ruling. Shri Mohan Lal made a few observations explaining his position.

IV. Point of Order.

The Leader of the Opposition, Sardar Gian Singh Rarewala raised a point of order that the Rules Committee had not so far been constituted.

The Speaker observed that he had been waiting for the names to be supplied by the Leader of the Opposition for nomination to the

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various Committees. As soon as he received tne names he constituted the Rules Committee. He announced the names of Members of the Committee, viz.—

1. The Speaker—*Ex-officio Chairman*.
2. Dr. Baldev Parkash, Finance Minister.
3. Sardar Lachhman Singh Gill, Public Works and Education Minister.
4. Comrade Bhan Singh Bhaura.
5. Shri Brish Bhan.
6. Chaudhri Darshan Singh.
7. Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjeet.
8. Pandit Mohan Lal.

V. Walk-Out

The Leader of the Opposition arising on a point of order requested that the case relating to the assault on Sardar Baldev Singh, M.L.A., on the 5th May, 1967 be entrusted to tne police for investigation. He referred to the letters he had addressed to the Speaker in this connection. Sarvshri Prabodh Chandra, Mohan Lal and Darshan Singh supported this view and stated that the Speaker had assured that the matter would be handed over to the police if the Congress Party so desired.

The Speaker observed that the matter had been referred to the Privileges Committee as what he had said was that he would refer the case to the police if the House suggested this course consistent with its dignity.

The Chief Minister, the Finance Minister and Shri Lal Chand Suberwal made observations saying that the House being supreme, the matter which stood rightly referred to the Privileges Committees, be examined by that Committee and not handed over to the police for investigation.

During the period there was a lot of noise in the House and thumping of desks by both sides of the House.

Shri Prabodh Chandra insisted that the Speaker should adjourn the House for a short time to examine the record to see if he had given any assurance that the matter would be referred to the police if the Opposition Party so desived.

The Chief Minister opposed the proposed adjournment, and requested the normal proceedings to be carried on and in the meantime the record could be consulted.

Shri Prabodh Chandra did not agree and then the entire Opposition staged a walk-out.

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VI. Papers laid on the Table

By the Minister for Public Works and Education—

(i) The eighth notification issued under various sections of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1939, as required under section 133 (3) of the said Act.

(ii) The Financial Reveiw on the working of the Pepsu Road Transport Corporation, Patiala during the year 1964-65, as required under section 33 (4) of the Road Transport Corporation Act, 1950.

(iii) The Administration Report of the Mandi-Kulu Road Transport Corporation, Mandi, H.P. for the year 1963-64, as required under section 35 (3) of Road Transport Corporation Act, 1950.

2. By the Chief Parliamentary Secretary.—

Statements relating to the Call-Attention Notice Nos. 37, 51, 55, 59 and 63.

VII. Resumption of General Discussion on the Budget for 1967-68.

Chaudhri Balbir Singh who was still in possession of the House when it adjourned on the 9th May, 1967, resumed his speech and spoke for 50 minutes.

Two Members from the Opposition and two from the Treasury Benches took part in the General discussion on the Budget for 69 and 63 minutes, respectively.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 4-13 p.m. to 5-35 p.m. and Shri Lal Chand Suberwal, a Member of the Panel of Chairmen, from 5-35 to 6-30 p.m.

The Sabha then adjourned till 2-00 p.m. on Thursday, the 11th May, 1967.

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Bulletin No. 18

Thursday, the 11th May, 1967

(From 2-00 p.m. to 6-35 p.m.)

I. Questions.

(a) Starred—

Total number of Questions on order paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
24	16	3	1	72

The remaining four questions were deemed to have been answered and replies thereto were laid on the Table of the House under Rule 45.

(b) Unstarred.— 4

II. Questions of Privileges.

In regard to the Question of Privilege sought to be raised by Comrade Bhan Singh Bhaura the Speaker observed that a reply thereto had been sent to the honourable Member.

III. Call-Attention Notices.

1. Call-Attention Notice (No. 76) given by Sardar Dalip Singh Tapiala regarding serious situation caused by the shortage of sugar throughout the State, was admitted.

2. Call-Attention Notice (79) by Chaudhri Balbir Singh regarding attack on employees of Panchayat Samiti Valtoha by a Member and the President of the Samiti was admitted.

3. Call-Attention Notice (No. 81) given by Shri Mohinder Singh Gill regarding statement made by a Minister to abolish the institutions of B.D. and P.O. was admitted.

4. Call Attention Notice (No. 82) given by Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjeet regarding the Lathi-charge by the Police on the Lady Sweepers at Pathankot on 10th May, 1967, was admitted.

The Speaker asked the Ministers concerned to make statements.

IV. Questions to be asked on the statements given by Ministers on Call-Attention Notices.

The Speaker observed that according to practice each Member giving notice of a Call-Attention Notice is entitled to ask a question on the

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statement when laid on the table by the Minister concerned and that the Member should give advance notice of his intention to ask the question after the statement had been laid on the Table.

V. Point of Order.

When the Speaker asked the House to resume discussion on the resolution on the Agenda, Shri Balbir Singh raised a point of order that since the House had already taken a decision on the issue of State Trading on a Vote on the motion of Thanks to Governor's Address the discussion on the resolution could not be resumed. After Shri Mohan Lal Chaudhri Darshan Singh, the Finance Minister and other Members had made observations, the Speaker , after consulting the record, ruled out the point of order. He held that the House had not given any decision on the matter.

VI. Resolution.

The discussion on the resolution which had been moved by Shri Mohan Lal on 31st March, 1967 that—

> "This House recommends with a view to ensuring fair remunerative price to the producer, and fair distribution and availability at reasonable rates to the consumer, of all food grains, the Government should take immediate steps to resort to State Trading in food-grains"

was resumed.

Two Members from the Opposition and two from the Treasury Benches took part in the discussion speaking for 37 and 13 minutes, respectively.

Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjit, a Member of the Treasury Benches, while moving amendment to the resolution that—

That the following be added at the end of the Resolution—

"in accordance with the policy laid down in Governor's Address".

spoke for 18 minutes.

The Public Works and Education Minister and the Development and Local Government Minister spoke for 54 and 23 minutes, respectively.

Shri Mohan Lal, a member from the Opposition, in reply to the debate, spoke for 19 minutes.

The amendment to the resolution was put to the Vote of the House. The opinion of the Speaker having been challenged, it was put again, Again his opinion was challenged. Members were directed to the lobbies.

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Noes	:	39

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The amendment was declared carried.

The resolution, as amended, was then put and carried.

The Deputy Speaker and Shri Lal Chand Suberwal, a member of the Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 6-05 p.m. to 6-10 p.m. and 5-10 p.m. to 6-05 p.m., respectively.

The Sabha then adjourned till 10-30 a.m. Friday, the 12th May, 1967.

Bulletin No. 19

Friday, the 12th May, 1967

(From 10-30 a.m. to 2-30 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred:—

Total Number of questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
20	15	1	69

The remaining four questions were deemed to have been answered and replies there to were laid on the Table of the House under Rule 45.

(b) Unstarred,— 3

II. Call-Attention Notices.

1. One Call-attention Notice (No. 83) given by Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill regarding future of Chandigarh etc., the Chief Minister made a verbal statement.

Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill was allowed to ask one question on the statement.

2. Call-Attention Notice (No. 84) given by Sardar Dalip Singh Tapiala regarding the recent theft of tube-well equipment in several villages under the Moga Police Station, was admitted.

3. Call-Attention Notice (No. 85) given by Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjit regarding serious shortage of country and imported wheat at consumers' stores and fair price shops in the Jullundur District, was admitted.

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4. Call-Attention Notice (No. 86) given by Comrade Bhan Singh Bhaura regarding bringing goondas in front of the bridge connecting the Secretariat with the Vidhan Sabha for creating disturbance etc., was admitted.

5. Call-Attention Notice (No. 87) given by Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill regarding catching fire of Gurdwara and consequent burning of 5 volumes of Guru Granth Sahib, in village Nawan Langeana, Patti Bhauriana, Ferozepore District, was admitted.

6. Call-Attention Notice (No. 88) given by Comrade Phuman Singh regarding rising spiral of prices etc., was admitted.

The Deputy Speaker asked the Ministers concerned to make statements.

III. Papers laid on the Table.

(i) By the Public Works and Education Minister—

The Annual Financial Statement (Budget Estimates) of the Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 1967-68, as required under section 61 (3) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.

(ii) By the Finance Minister—

The Annual Reports on the working and affairs of the Punjab State Small Industries Corporation Ltd. for the years 1963-64 and 1964-65, as required under section 639 (2) of the Companies Act, 1956.

(iii) By the Chief Minister—

A statement on the Call-Attention Notice (No. 46) dated the 4th April, 1967, given by Comrade Bhan Singh Bhaura regarding delay in not declaring the final result of the P.C.S. and allied services examination held in 1965.

(iv) By the Chief Parliamentary Secretary—

A statement on the Call-Attention Notice (No. 76, dated the 11th May, 1967 given by Comrade Dalip Singh Tapiala regarding shortage of sugar throughout the State.

IV. Point of Order.

Shri Balramji Dass Tandon, raised a point of order that in view of the increasing number of irrelevant points of order raised by the Members the previous practice of issuing a weekly bulletin containing the names of Members of the House with the number of points of orders declared as "No Point of Order" by the Chair be revived as this would have a salutary effect in presuading the members not to raise irrelevant points of order.

The Deputy Speaker observed that he would consult the office in the matter.

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V. Resumption of General Discussion of the Budget for 1967-68.

Three Members from the Opposition and 2 from the Treasury Benches and I Independent took part in the discussion speaking for 42, 32 and 15 minutes, respectively.

The Finance Minister while replying to the debate spoke for 51 minutes.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 11-32 a.m. to 2-05 p.m. and 2-20 p.m. to 2-30 p.m., and Shri Lal Chand Suberwal, a Member of the Panel of Chairmen from 2-05 p.m. to 2-20 p.m.

The Sabha then adjourned till 2-00 p.m. on Monday, the 15th May, 1967.

Bulletin No. 20

Monday, the 15th May, 1967

(From 2-00 p.m. to 6-30 p.m.)

I. Questions.

(a) Starred.—

Total Number of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
18	9	5	4	35

(b) Unstarred.— 8

The Questions lasted for 30 minutes.

II. Call-Attention Notices.

Call-Attention Notice (No. 93) given by Comrade Sat Pal Kapur was not taken up as the Member was not present in the House.

III. Question asked on a Statement by a Minister on a Call-Attention Notice.

The Chief Minister answered a question asked by Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill on the statement laid on the Table by the Chief Minister on a Call-Attention Notice No. 62.

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IV. Papers laid on the Table of the House.

By the Chief Parliamentary Secretary—

A statement on the Call-Attention Notice (No. 85), dated the 12th May, 1967, given by Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjit regarding shortage of Country and imported wheat at Consumers' Stores and Fair Price Shops at Jullundur.

V. Demands for Grants

It was decided that the Demand Nos. 9 and 12 be moved and discussed together and voted on separately. Cut motions to both the demands were deemed to have been read and moved.

The Chief Minister moved—

Demand No. 9 that a sum not exceeding Rs. 2,14,71,000 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in the course of payment for the year 1967-68 (excluding the amount of Rs. 71,57,000 already voted on account) in respect of charges under head 19—General Administration.

Demand No. 12 that a sum not exceeding Rs. 5,79,63,050 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in the course of payment for the year 1967-68 (excluding the amount of Rs. 1,98,21,000 already voted on account) in respect of charges under head 23—Police.

VI. Personal Explanations.

1. By Shri Bishambar Nath Makkar, Deputy Finance Minister refuting charge levelled against him by Shri Prabodh Chandra.

2. By Shri Prabodh Chandra in regard to certain remarks made against him by Shri A. Vishwa Nathan.

3. By Shri A. Vishwa Nathan regarding certain remarks made by Shri Prabodh Chandra about him.

4. By Shri Baloo Ram regarding certain allegations made by Comrade Sat Pal Kapur against him regarding the Birla Seed Farm.

Six Members from the Opposition and six from the Treasury Benches took part in the discussion and spoke for 119 and 96 minutes, respectively. Comrade Hardit Singh Bhathal, a member of the Treasury Benches was still in possession of the House when it adjourned.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 4-00 p.m. to 4-44 p.m. and from 5-06 p.m. to 6-30 p.m. and Sardar Surjeet Singh, a Member of the Panel of Chairmen, from 4-44 p.m. to 5-06 p.m.

The Sabha then adjourned till 9-00 a.m. Tuesday, the 16th May 1967.

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Bulletin No. 21

Tuesday, the 16th May, 1967

(From 9-00 a.m. to 1-22 p.m.)

I. Questions.

(a) Starred

Total No. of Questions on the Order paper	Answered	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
8	6	2	27

The questions lasted for 25 minutes.

(b) Unstarred—2.

II. Call-Attention Notices.

1. Call-Attention Notice (No. 94) given by Shri Mohan Lal regarding detention by the Amritsar Police of Sardar Jai Inder Singh Ex-M.L.A. even after the orders of the Competent Magistrate for his release on bail, was admitted.

2. Call-Attention Notice (No. 95) given by Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill regarding non-implementation of the Labour Laws by the Labour Department relating to the Working Journalists etc. was admitted.

3. Call-Attention Notice (No. 96) given by Giani Kundan Singh Patang regarding inordinate delay in the disbursement of scholarships to Scheduled Castes students in schools and colleges, was admitted.

4. Call-Attention Notice (No. 99) given by Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill regarding the cancellation of the lease deed of Birla Seed Farm, was admitted.

The Speaker asked the Ministers concerned to make statements.

III. Point of order.

Shri Balramji Das Tandon raised a point of order that special arrangements be made immediately for providing seating accommodation to the visitors coming to meet the Members and Ministers and see the proceedings of House as they had to wait outside in the Sun. He also suggested deputing of some officials for promptly attending to the messages sent by them.

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Comrade Bhan Singh Bhaura rising on a point of order requested that the police beasked to treat the visitors politely and properly.

The Speaker assured the House that proper arrangements be made in this connection.

IV. Papers Laid on the Table.

By the Chief Parliamentary Secretary—

1. A statement on the Call-Attention Notice (No. 79) given by Chaudhri Balbir Singh regarding attack on employees of Panchayat Samiti Valtoha by a Member and the President of the Samiti.

2. A statement on the Call-Attention Notice (No. 81) given by Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill regarding abolition of the institution of B.D. and P.O. in the Development Department.

V. Demands for Grants.

Discussion on the motions.—

Demand No. 9 that a sum not exceeding Rs. 2,14,71,000 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in the course of payment for the year 1967-68 (excluding the amount of Rs. 71,57,000 already voted on account) in respect of charges under head 19—General Administration.

Demand No. 12 that a sum not exceeding Rs. 5,79,71,000 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in the course of payment for the year 1967-68 (excluding the amount of Rs. 1,93,21,000 already voted on account) in respect of charges under head 23—Police.

which had been moved by the Chief Minister on the 15th May, 1967, and the Cut Motions thereon was resumed.

Comrade Hardit Singh Bhathal, who was in possession of the House when it adjourned on 15th May, 1967, resuming his speech, spoke for 8 minutes.

Two Members from the Opposition and 3 from the Treasury Benches took part in the discussion and spoke for 65 and 63 minutes respectively. One Independent Member spoke for 18 minutes.

VI. Walk Out.

When the Chief Minister was called upon to speak Shri Mohan Lal and other Members of the Opposition got up and requested to Speaker to allow them to speak before the Chief Minister gave his reply to the debate.

They also suggested that the time of the sitting be extended to accommodate them which the Speaker informed them could not be done in view of the scheduled sitting of the other House.

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At this the entire Opposition staged a walk out.

The Chief Minister in reply to the debates spoke for 73 minutes.

Two Cut Motions to demand No. 9 were put and lost. The demand was carried.

One Cut Motion to demand No. 12 which had been moved by Members of the Treasury Benches was by leave of the House withdrawn; two were put and lost. Demand No. 12 was put and carried separately.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 10-34 a.m. to 11-06 a.m. and Sardar Surjit Singh, a Member of the Panel of Chairmen, from 11-06 a.m. to 11-55 a.m.

The Sabha then adjourned till 9-00 a.m. Wednesday, the 17th May, 1967.

Bulletin No. 22

Wednesday, the 17th May, 1967.

(From 9-00 a.m. to 1-12 p.m.)

I. Questions.

(a) Starred—

Total No. of questions on the Order paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
8	6	1	1	31

Questions lasted for 30 minutes.

(b) Unstarred. Nil—

II. Call-Attention Notices.

1. Call-Attention Notice (No. 100) given by Comade Jangir Singh Joga, Bhan Singh Bhaura and Munsha Singh regarding Tool Down Strike by Engineers of the Pubic Works Department from 22nd May, 1967 etc., was admitted.

2. Call-Attention Notice (No. 102) given by Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill regarding catching fire of 4 houses in Mohalla Guru Nanakpura in Bhatinda City etc. was admitted.

3. Call-Attention Notice (No. 104) given by Dr. Gurcharan Singh regarding collection of P.T.I. fund, Admission Fee and Building Fund from the Scheduled Caste and Backward Class students in Schools and Colleges in the State, was admitted.

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The Speaker asked the Ministers concerned to make statements.

The Speaker permitted Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill to put one question in regard to his Call-Attention Notice No. 81 the statement regarding which had been laid on the Table of the House.

III. Papers laid on the Table of the House.

By the Finance Minister—

The Thirteenth Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Financial Corporation for the year ended on the 31st March, 1966 as required under Section 38 (3) of the Financial Corporation Act, 1951.

IV. Personal Explanations.

1. By Shri Prabodh Chandra;
2. By Shri Sat Pal Kapur;
3. By Shri Baldev Singh;

regarding certain remarks made about them by the Chief Minister in his speech on the 16th May, 1967.

V. Demands for Grants.

It was decided that Demands Nos. 19, 42, 26, 27, 28, 44 and 45 be discussed together and voted separately.

All the Demands No. 19 (31— Agriculture); No. 42 (95— Capital Outlay of Schemes of Agricultural Improvement and Research); No. 26 (42— Multipurpose River Schemes); No. 27 [43— Irrigation, Navigation, Embankment and Drainage Works (Commercial); 44—Irrigation, Navigation, Embankment and Drainage Works (Non-Commercial); No. 28 (Charges on Irrigation Establishment); No. 44 (98—Capital Outlay on Multipurpose River Schemes) and No. 45 (99—Capital Outlay on Irrigation Navigation, Embankment and Drainage Works (Commercial)" and the Cut Motions thereto were deemed to have been read and moved.

The Speaker directed that the Members, while speaking, should indicate the demand on which they wanted to speak.

Six Members from the Opposition and four from the Treasury Benches took part in the Discussion speaking for 89 and 56 minutes respectively.

The Revenue Minister and the Public Works and Education Minister in reply to the debate, spoke for 33 and 20 minutes respectivley.

Cut Motion to Demand No. 19 which had been moved by a Member of the Opposition, was withdrawn by leave of the House and the Demand was put and carried separately.

Demands Nos. 42 and 26 were put and carried separately.

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Cut Motion to Demand No. 27 was put and lost. Demand No. 27 was put and carried separately.

Demands Nos. 28, 44 and 45 were put and carried separately.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 10-55 a.m. to 11-39 a.m. and Shri Mohan Lal, a Member of the Panel of Chairmen from 11-39 A.M. to 12-10 P. M.

The Sabha then adjourned till 9-00 a.m. Thursday, the 18th May, 1967.

Bulletin No. 23

Thursday, the 18th May, 1967

(From 9-00 a.m. to 1-30 p.m.)

I. Questions.

(a) Starred–

Total No. of Questions on the order paper	Answered	No. of Supplementaries
7	7	45

Questions lasted for 40 minutes.

(b) Unstarred— Nil.

II. Call-Attention Notices.

1. Call-Attention Notice (No. 108) given by Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill regarding the high prices of articles of daily use as sugar, gur, ghee and Dalls etc., was admitted.

The Speaker asked the Minister concerned to make a statement.

2. Call-Attention Notice (No. 109) was not taken up as the Member was not present in the House.

III. Papers Laid on the Table.

By the Chief Parliamentary Secretary—

On Call-Attention Notice (No. 54) given by Shri A. Vishwa Nathn regarding delay by Government in sanctioning the Budget Proposals sent by the Municipal Committee, Ludhiana, in January 1967.

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IV. Announcements.

By the Speaker—

(*i*) *Committee on Petitions—.*

1. Dr. Jagjit Singh, Chohan, Deputy Speaker, (*Ex-officio* Chairman).
2. Bhagat Guran Das Hans.
3. Sardar Gardhara Singh.
4. Shri Chhajju Ram.
5. Sardar Hardit Singh of Nathana.

(*ii*) *Library Committee*

1. Sardar Harcharan Singh Hudiara.
2. Sardar Amrik Singh.
3. Shri Kapur Chand Jain.
4. Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill.
5. Sardar Narinder Singh.
6. Commrade Phuman Singh.

Sardar Harcharan Singh Hudiara was appointed Chariman of the Committee.

(*iii*) *Committee on Government Assurances.*

1. Jathedar Mohan Singh.
2. Chaudhri Balbir Singh.
3. Dr. Bhagat Singh.
4. Comrade Dalip Singh Tapiala.
5. Shri Harbans Lal Khanna.
6. Captain Rattan Singh.
7. Miss Sarla Prasher
8. Sardar Sardar Singh Kohli.
9. Sardar Sikander Singh.

Jathedar Mohan Singh was appointed Chairman of the Committee.

Chaudhri Balbir Singh withdrew his name from the Committee. The Speaker asked the Members to write to him resigning from the Committee.

(*iv*) *Committee on Subordinate Legislation.*

1. Shri Lal Chand Suberwal.
2. Sardar Gurcharan Singh (Dr.).
3. Shri Gurmail Singh.
4. Sardar Harbhajan Singh.
5. Sardar Jasdev Singh Samrala.
6. Sardar Karnail Singh Pacca.
7. Sardar Nachhattar Singh.
8. The Advocate-General.

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Shri Lal Chand Suberwal was appointed Chairman of the Committee.

V. Third Report of the Business Advisory Committee.

The Speaker presented the Third Report of the Business Advisory Committee setting out the time-table for the meetings of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha fixed for the 19th and 24th May, 1967.

The Motion moved by the Chief Minister—

> "that this House agrees with the recommendations contained in the Third Report of the Business Advisory Committee."

was carried.

VI. Question of Privilege.

The Speaker informed the House that the Editor 'Hind Samachar' had in contravention of the orders of the Speaker expunging certain objectionable remarks made by Shri Prabodh Chandra, has published them in his newspaper, and he would, therefore, like to refer the matter to the Privileges Committee.

On a suggestion made by the Chief Minister, the Speaker agreed to refer the matter to the Press Gallery Committee for report by Monday, the 22nd May, 1967.

VII. Resolution.

Acharya Prithvi Singh Azad while moving the Resolution—

> "In view of the fact that Chandigarh and such of its surrounding areas as form part of the Union Territory at present, are Punjabi-speaking areas, this House recommends to the Government to take effective steps for the merger of Chandigarh and the surrounding areas in Punjab."

spoke for 40 minutes.

Amendment to the Resolution that—

(i) In line 1, between the words "that" and "Chandigarh" the words "entire erstwhile Kharar tehsil including" be inserted.

(ii) In lines 1 to 3, the words "and ..... present" be omitted.

(iii) In lines 5-6, for the words "the ..... areas" the words "their inclusion" be substituted.

was moved by Comrade Bhan Singh Bhaura with a speech lasting for 13 minutes.

Four Members from the Opposition and six from the Treasury Benches spoke for 67 and 53 minutes, respectively.

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The Chief Minister spoke for 27 minutes.

VIII. Extension of Time.

On a suggestion made by the House the Speaker extended the time till the resolution under discussion was disposed of.

Acharya Prithvi Singh Azad in reply to the debate spoke for 12 minutes.

The amendment to the resolution was put and carried.

The Resolution, as amended, was put and carried.

Shri Mohan Lal, a Member of the Panel of Chairmen occupied the Chair from 11-10 a.m. to 12-55 p.m.

The Sabha then adjourned till 7-00 a.m. Friday, the 19th May, 1967.

'Bulletin No. 24'

Friday, the 19th May, 1967

(From 7-00 a.m. to 10-24 a.m.)

I. Announcement.

By the Secretary—

That the Punjab Vidhan Parishad at its meeting held on the 16th May, 1967 had concurred in the motion carried in the sitting of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on the 8th May, 1967, about nominating Members of the Vidhan Parishad to associate with the Public Accounts Committee and the Estimates Committee for the year 1967-68.

The Vidhan Parishad had nominated the following Members to associate with the said Committees:—

(*i*) *Public Accounts Committee.*

1. Sardar Rajinder Singh.
2. Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura.
3. Master Hari Singh.

(*ii*) *Committee on Estimates*

1. Shrimati Sita Devi.
2. Sardar Ram Dayal Singh.
3. Chaudhri Kartar Singh.

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II. Papers/Statements laid on the Table.

1. By the Finance Minister—

   The Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1965-66 and the Audit Report 1967.

2. By the Chief Parliamentary Secretary—

   (i) On Call-Attention Notice (No. 65, dated the 10th May, 1967) given by Sardar Sardar Singh Kohli iregarding denial of passport to Panthic Leader, Master Tara Singh.

   (ii) On Call-Attention Notice (No. 69, dated the 9th May, 1967) given by Chaudhri Darshan Singh regarding arrest of Dr. Shanti Parkash, M.L.A.

   (iii) On Call-Attention Notice (No. 73, dated the 10th May, 1967), given by Comrade Munsha Singh regarding highhandedness of the Police in demolishing the memorial to the martyrs of the Phagwara Bomb Case.

III. Demands for Grants.

It was decided that the Demands Nos. 22, 43 and 24 be discussed together but voted separately.

All the three Demands No. 22 (35—Industries); Demands No. 43 (96—Capital Outlay on Industrial and Economic Development) and Demand No. 24 (38—Labour and Employment) were deemed to have been read and moved.

The Speaker directed that the Members while speaking should indicate the demands on which they wanted to speak.

Four Members from the Opposition and six from the Treasury Benches took part in the discussion and spoke for 75 and 97 minutes respectively.

The Minister for Labour and Welfare and the Finance Minister spoke for 12 and 25 minutes respectively.

Demands Nos. 22, 43 and 24 were one by one put and carried.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 9-00 a.m. to 10-05 a.m.

The Sabha then adjourned till 2-00 p.m. on Monday, the 22nd May, 1967.

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Bulletin No. 25

Monday, the 22nd May, 1967

(From 2-00 p.m. to 6-27 p.m.)

I. Questions.

(a) Starred.

Asking of questions began with list of postponed Starred Questions for the 22nd May, 1967 and thereafter the list of Starred Questions for the 19th May, 1967 followed by the list of Starred Questions for the 22nd May, 1967 was taken up.

Total No. of questions on the order paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
32	21	9	2	64

The Speaker agreed to the supplementaries to Starred Question No. 305 being asked on the next day.

(b) Unstarred— 14.

II. Call Attention Notices.

1. Call-Attention Notice (No. 115) given by Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill regarding the failure of the Government to appoint an Accreditation Committee on the pattern of those appointed by the Centre and other State Governments, was admitted.

2. Call-Attention Notice (No. 117) given by Sardar Shangara Singh regarding the sudden suspension of auction of the evacuee land by the Government among the Scheduled Castes, was admitted.

3. Call-Attention Notice (No. 120) given by Comrade Phuman Singh regarding the recovery of taccavis and other loans by the Government despite the destruction of Rabi and Kharif crops in Tehsil Fazilka due to rain and hailstrom, was admitted.

4. Call-Attention Notice (No. 121) given by Sardar Sikander Singh regarding the entry of Police in Gurdwara Manji Sahib, Amritsar etc. was admitted.

The Speaker asked the Ministers concerned to make statements.

III. Papers Laid on the Table.

By the Chief Minister—

1. On Call-Attention Notice (No. 34, dated the 31st March, 1967) given by Sardar Dalip Singh Tapiala regarding damage

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caused to crops by recent rains and floods in Amritsar District in the areas between Ravi and Nalha Sakki etc.

2. On Call-Attention Notice (No. 39 dated the 31st March, 1967) given by Sarvshri Satyapal Dang and Bhan Singh Bhaura regarding the recent spurt in prices of indigenous wheat and atta.

3. On Call-Attention Notice (No. 82, dated the 11th May, 1967) given by Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjit regarding the Lathi charge by the Police on the Lady Sweepers in Pathankot on the 10th May, 1967.

4. On Call-Attention Notice (No. 84, dated the 12th May, 1967) given by Sardar Dalip Singh Tapiala regarding recent theft of tube-well equipments in several villages under the Moga Police Station.

5. On Call-Attention Notice (No. 88, dated the 12th May, 1967) given by Comrade Phuman Singh regarding rising spiral of prices etc.

6. On Call-Attention Notice (No. 95, dated the 16th May, 1967) given by Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill regarding non implementation of the Labour Laws by the Labour Department relating to the Working Journalists etc.

7. On Call-Attention Notice (No. 99, dated the 16th May, 1967) given by Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill regarding the cancellation of the lease deed of Birla Seed Farm.

8. On Call-Attention Notice (No. 104, dated the 17th May, 1967) given by Dr. Gurcharan Singh regarding collection of P.T.I. fund, Admission Fee and Building Fund from the Scheduled Castes and Backward Class students in schools and colleges in the State.

IV. Questions asked on the Statements made by the Ministers on Call Attention Notices.

Sardar Sardar Singh Kohli and Chaudhri Darshan Singh were each asked to put a question each on the statement made by the Minister concerned on the Call-Attention Notices No. 65 and 69, respectively. The former did not want to put a question while the latter was absent from the House.

V. Presentation of the First Report of the Rules Committee.

The Speaker while presenting the First Report of the Rules Committee informed the House that the recommendations of the Committee would remain laid on the Table for three days and that any Member could give notice of an amendment to the recommendations. If no amendment was received the suggestions of the Rules Committee would be notified.

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VI. Demands for Grant.

The Public Works and Education Minister moved—

Demand No. 16 "that a sum not exceeding Rs.13,11,80,100 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in the course of payment for the year 1967-68 (Excluding Rs. 4,37,26,700 already voted on account) in respect of-charges under head 28—Education.'

Five Members from the Opposition and four from the Treasury Benches and one Independent Member took part in the discussion speaking for 87, 67 and 17 minutes, respectively.

The Public Works and Education Minister while replying to the Debate spoke for 35 minutes.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 3-30 p.m. to 4-35 P.M. and Shri Mohan Lal, a Member of the Panel of Chairman, from 4-35 p.m. to 6-15 p.m.

The Sabha then adjourned till 2-00 p.m. on Tuesday, the 23rd May, 1967.

Bulletin No. 26

Tuesday, the 23rd May, 1967

(From 2-00 p.m. to 5-04 p.m.)

I. Questions.

(a) Starred—

Supplementaries to Starred Question No. 305 printed at page 7 in the list of Starred Questions for the 22nd May, 1967 were allowed by the Chair but no Honourable Member rose to put and thereafter list of postponed Starred Questions for the 23rd May, 1967 followed by the list of Starred Questions and Short Notice Questions for the same day, was taken up.

Total No. of questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
13	9	1	3	62

(b) Unstarred— Nil.

(c) Short Notice Questions — 2

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II. Point of Order.

Shri Prabodh Chandra raised a point of order that deletion of three bills from the list of Business for the 23rd May, 1967 as stated in the corrigendum issued by the Secretariat should not be permitted and that the Government should stick to the original programme of introducing all the bills.

The Speaker observed that he could not compel the Government to do so.

The Finance Minister stated that Government had decided not to introduce any Bill to-day as they wanted to give further consideration to the matter.

III. Question of Privilege.

The Speaker informed the House that he had consulted the Press Gallery Committee in regard to the Publication of expunged proceedings of the House by the 'Hind Samachar' but they had not been able to report how and by whom this contravention of the orders of the Speaker was committed. He had therefore decided to refer the matter to the Committee of Privileges.

IV. Call-Attention Notices.

1. Call-Attention Notice (No. 122) given by Comrades Phuman Singh and Bhan Singh Bhaura regarding declaration of the lock out by the management of the Dhariwal Woollen Mills, Dhariwal, district Gurdaspur for indefinite period was admitted.

2. Call-Attention Notice (No. 123) given by Comrade Phuman Singh and Bhan Singh Bhaura regarding situation created by the cut in Quota of Sugar, Imported Wheat etc. by the Central Governmnt, was admitted.

3. Call-Attention Notice (No. 124) given by Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjit regarding hunger strike by science masters in front of the Old Legislators Hostel, Chandigarh against the failure of the Department to redress their grievances, was admitted.

4. Call-Attention Notice (No. 125) given by Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjit regarding the serious situation caused by the pen-cum-tool down strike by more than five hundred Engineers of Irrigation, Building and Road and Public Health section, was admitted.

5. Call Attention Notice (No. 126) given by Sardar Gian Singh Rarewala regarding forced closure of the New Egerton Woollen Mills, Dhariwal, was admitted.

6. Call Attention Notice (No. 127) given by Sardar Gian Singh Rarewala regarding the withdrawal of previous orders

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regarding submission of documents for registration in Gurmukhi script, was admitted.

The Speaker asked the Miniters concerned to make statements. He, however, observed that since Call-Attention Notices Nos. 122 and 126 were on the subject only one statement be made.

V. Statements Laid on the Table.

By the Development and Local Government Minister—

1. On Call-Attention Notice (No. 71, dated the 9th May, 1967) given by Shri Harbans Lal Khanna regarding hunger strike resorted to by the Private Teachers Association of Private Association.

2. On Call-Attention Notice (No. 87, dated the 12th May, 1967) given by Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill regarding catching fire of Gurdwara and consequent burning of 5 volumes of Guru Granth Sahib, in village Nawan Langeana, Patti Bhaurian, Ferozepur District.

3. On Call-Attention Notice (No. 96, dated the 16th May, 1967) given by Giani Kundan Singh Patang regarding inordinate delay in the disbursement of scholarships to Scheduled Castes students in schools and colleges.

4. On Call-Attention Notice (No. 100, dated the 17th May, 1967) given by Comrades Jangir Singh Joga, Bhan Singh Bhaura and Munsha Singh regarding tool down strike by Engineers of the Public Works Department from 22nd May, 1967.

VI. Questions to be asked by a member on a Statement on a Call-Attention Notice

Chaudhri Darshan Singh was allowed to ask a question on the statement made by the Minister on Call Attention Notice No. 69 dated the 9th May, 1967, on the next day.

VII. Legislative Business.

No bills were moved for leave.

VIII. Demands for Grants

It was decided that the Demands No. 17 (29—Medical) and No. 18 (30—Public Health) be discussed together but voted on separately and these were deemed to have been read and moved.

The Speaker informed the House that Guillotine would be applied at 5-00 P.M.

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Four Members from the Opposition and three from the Treasury Benches took part in the discussion speaking for 45 and 38 minutes respectively.

The Finance Minister by way of reply spoke for 22 minutes.

At 5-00 p.m. the Guillotine was applied.

Demand Nos. 17 and 18 were put and carried separately.

On the suggestion on the House Demands Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 23, 25, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 46, 47, 48, 49 and 50 were put together and carried.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 4-15 p.m. to 4-50 p.m.

The Sabha then adjourned till 2-00 p.m. on Wednesday, the 24th May, 1967.

Bulletin No 27

Wednesday, the 24th May, 1967

(From 2-00 p.m. to 7-35 p.m.)

I. Question to be asked by a Member on the Statement of a Minister on a Call Attention Notice.

Chaudhri Darshan Singh was allowed to ask a question on the statement by the Chief Minister on Call Attention Notice No. 69.

II. Notice of Motions

The Speaker informed the House that he had received notices of the following motions:—

1. By the Finance Minister—

   "that the House at its rising this day shall stand adjourned *sine die*."

2. By Shri Prabodh Chandra—

   "that this House expresses its want of confidence in the Punjab Ministry as a whole".

The Chief Minister withdrew the motion for adjournment of the House *sine die* in order to give an opportunity to the Opposition to move their No Confidence Motion against the Ministry.

III. No Confidence Motion.

The Speaker read out the motion and requested the Members in favour of leave being granted to rise in their places. As 43 Members rose, the Speaker intimated that the leave was granted and that the motion would be taken up to-morrow.

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At this Sarvshri Prabodh Chandra, Mohan Lal and Captain Rattan Singh raised points of order stressing the desirability of alloting at least three days for the discussion of the No Confidence Motion.

The Chief Minister, the Finance Minister and the Public Works and Education Minister suggested that only one day be allotted for discussing this Motion as the discussion on the Appropriation Bill covered much to be said on the No-Confidence Motion.

The Speaker observed that he would consult the Leader of the House and the Leader of the Opposition in his Chamber on the subject and then allot time for discussing the No Confidence Motion.

IV. The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1967.

The Bill was introduced by the Finance Minister who moved that it be taken into consideration at once.

It was decided to apply the Guillotine at 7-30 P.M.

Four Members from the Opposition, five Members from the Treasury Benches and one Independent Member took part in the discussion speaking for 134, 94 and 12 minutes respectively.

The Finance Minister by way of reply spoke for 35 minutes.

V. Personal Explanation.

Sardar Harbhagwan Singh gave a personal explanation in respect of certain remarks made against him by Giani Bakhtwar Singh.

VI. Guillotine.

At 7-30 P.M. the Guillotine was applied.

The Motion–

"that the Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill be taken into consideration at once" was put and carried.

Clause 2 was put and carried.

On suggestion made by the House Clause 3, the Schedule, Clause 1 and the title were put together and carried.

The Motion that the Bill be passed was put and carried.

VII. Announcement.

The Speaker informed the House that No Confidence Motion against the Ministry as a whole, admitted earlier would be discussed on the 25th and 26th May, 1967.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 3-50 p.m. to 4-25 p.m. and Sarvshri Surjeet Singh and Lal Chand Suberwal, members of the

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Panel of Chairmen, from 3-04 p.m. to 3-50 p.m.; 5-57 p.m. to 6-30 p.m. and 4-25 p.m. to 5-57 p.m. respectively.

The Sabha then adjourned till 2-00 P.M. on Thursday, the 25th May, 1967.

Bulletin No. 28

Thursday, the 25th May, 1967

(From 2-00 p.m. to 6-30 p.m.)

1. **Questions.**

(a) Starred—

Total No. of Questions on the order paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
28	8	1	1	52

The Speaker agreed to the supplementaries to Starred Question No. 311 being asked on the next day.

The remaining questions were deemed to have been answered and replies thereto were laid on the Table of the House under Rule 45.

(b) Unstarred — 3.

II. Question of Privilege.

On the Question of Privilege sought to be raised by Chaudhri Darshan Singh regarding laying of 'Report of the Study Team on Panchayat Raj in Punjab' on the table of the Upper Hous prior to its having been laid in the Vidhan Sabha, the Speaker refused to give his consent on the ground that it did not involve any breach of privilege. He, however, observed that it involved a matter of propriety and suggested that Government should arrange to lay such reports simultaneously on the Table of both the Houses.

III. Call-Attention Notices.

1. Call Attention Notice (No. 129) given by Chaudhri Satya Dev, regarding rehabilitation of residents of those 26 villges of Fazilka Sector which came under the possession of Pakistan during India—Pakistan Aggression in 1965, was admitted.

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 132) given by Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill regarding firing by the Police of Saddar Police Station, Ferozepore on the night of 18th May, 1967 in village Kawarian Wala Khuh, was admitted.

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3. Call-Attention Notice (No. 137) given by Mahant Ram Prakash Dass, regarding indiscriminate arrest of many persons in Talwara and other places for violation of five mile belt area near the boundary of Punjab and Himachal for carriage of foodgrains therein, was admitted.

4. Call Attention Notice (No. 141) given by Sardar Gurdev Singh regarding criminal assault by S.H.O. Baretta on Shrimati Jasvir Kaur, wife of Shri Tek Singh, village Khuda Lakla, Thana Baretta, was admitted.

The Speaker asked the Ministers concerned to make statements.

IV. Statements laid on the Table

By the Minister for Labour and Parliamentary Affairs.—

1. On Call-Attention Notice (No. 122 and 126, dated the 23rd May, 1967) given by Comrades Phuman Singh, Bhan Singh Bhaura and Sardar Gian Singh Rarewala, respectively regarding the declaration of lock-out by the management and forced closure of the Dhariwal Woollen Mills, Dhariwal, district Gurdaspur.

2. On Call-Attention Notice (No. 124, dated the 23rd May, 1967) given by Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjit regarding the hunger strike started by science masters in front of the Old Legislators' Hostel, Chandigarh against the failure of the Department to redress their grievances.

V. No Confidence Motion.

Before the commencement of the discussion on the motion, the Speaker appealed to the Members that while discussing the No Confidence Motion they should avoid personal attacks and try to maintain proper decorum and cordial atmosphere in the House.

Shri Prabodh Chandra while moving the motion—

"that this House expresses want of Confidence in the Punjab Ministry as a whole."

spoke for 51 minutes.

Three Members from the Opposition and two from the Treasury Benches including the Public Works and Eduction Minister took part in the discussion speaking for 127 and 66 minutes, respectively.

VI. Personal Explanation.

By the Public Works and Education Minister—

The Public Works and Education Minister gave his personal explanation about certain remarks made against him by Captain Rattan Singh.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 4-36 p.m. to 5-00 p.m. and 5-27 p.m. to 5-45 p.m. and Shri Lal Cnand Suberwal a Member of the Panel of Chairmen from 5-00 p.m. to 5-27 p.m.

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The Sabha then adjourned till 11-00 a.m. on Friday, the 26th May, 1967.

Bulletin No. 29

Friday, the 26th May, 1967

(From 11-00 a.m. to 3-23 p.m.)

I. Questions.

(a) Starred—

Asking of question began with the supplementaries to Starred Question No. 311 appearing at page 3 of the list of Starred Questions for the 24th May, 1967 and thereafter list of Starred Questions for the 26th May, 1967, was taken up.

Total No. of Questions on the Order paper.	Answered	Not put	No.of Supplement-taries
3	2	1	26

The Questions lasted for 17 minutes.

(b) Unstarred — 1.

II. Question asked on a statement by a Minister on a Call Attention Notice.

Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjit was allowed to put a question on the statement made by the Public Works and Education Minister on Call Attention No. 75.

III. Adjournment Motion .

Adjournment Motion given notice by Shri Sat Pal Kapur regarding firing by the Police on 24th May, 1967 on the Workers of Bahadurgarh Factory Patiala, etc., was ruled out of order on the ground that the matter related to the ordinary administration of law.

IV. Call Attention Notices.

1. Call-Attention Notice (No. 145) given by Comrade Jangir Singh Joga regarding the Lathi Charge and firing by Police on striking workers of Goetze Factory, Bahadurgarh, was admitted.

2. Call-Attention Notice (No. 147) given by Sardar Sardar Singh Kohli regarding indiscriminate firing by the Police at Patiala on the workers of the Bahadurgarh Factory, was admitted.

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The speaker asked the Minister concerned to make statements.

V. Motion under Rule 16.

On the Motion moved by the Finance Minister—

> "that the House be adjourned *sine die* after the transaction of to-day's business."

Two Members from the Opposition made observations.

The Finance Minister made a few remarks.

The Motion was put and carried.

VI. Papers laid on the Table

1. By the Development and Local Government Minister—

"Report of the Study Team on Panchayat Raj in Punjab."

2. By the Chief Parliamentary Secretary—

(i) Statement on Call Attention Notice (No. 64, dated the 9th May, 1967) given by Sardar Gian Singh Rarewala regarding the disappearance of Dr. Amarjit Sigh of Patiala.

(ii) Statement on Call-Attention Notice (No. 108, dated the 18th May, 1967) given by Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill regarding the high prices of articles of daily use as sugar, gur, ghee and Dals etc.

VII. No Confidence Motion.

Discussion on the No Confidence Motion moved by Shri Prabodh Chandra on the 25th May, 1967—

> "that this House expresses its want of Confidence in the Punjab Ministry as a whole."

was resumed.

Five Members from the Opposition and five from the Treasury Benches took part in the discussion speaking for 74 and 71 minutes respectively.

A Minister of State and the Revenue Minister spoke for 6 and 20 minutes, respectively.

The Chief Minister spoke for 27 minutes.

Shri Prabodh Chandra, by way of reply, made a short speech lasting for 5 minutes.

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The Second (November-December, 1967) Session

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PREFACE

The following pages contain Resume of Business transacten by the Fourth Vtdhan Sabha during its Second Session held in November-December, 1967 together with the Bulletins issued daily after the adjournment of each sitting of the Sabha.

It is hoped that the publication would be found usefull by Members and others who may wish to know in detail what work was done each day by the Vidhan Sabha in the last Session.

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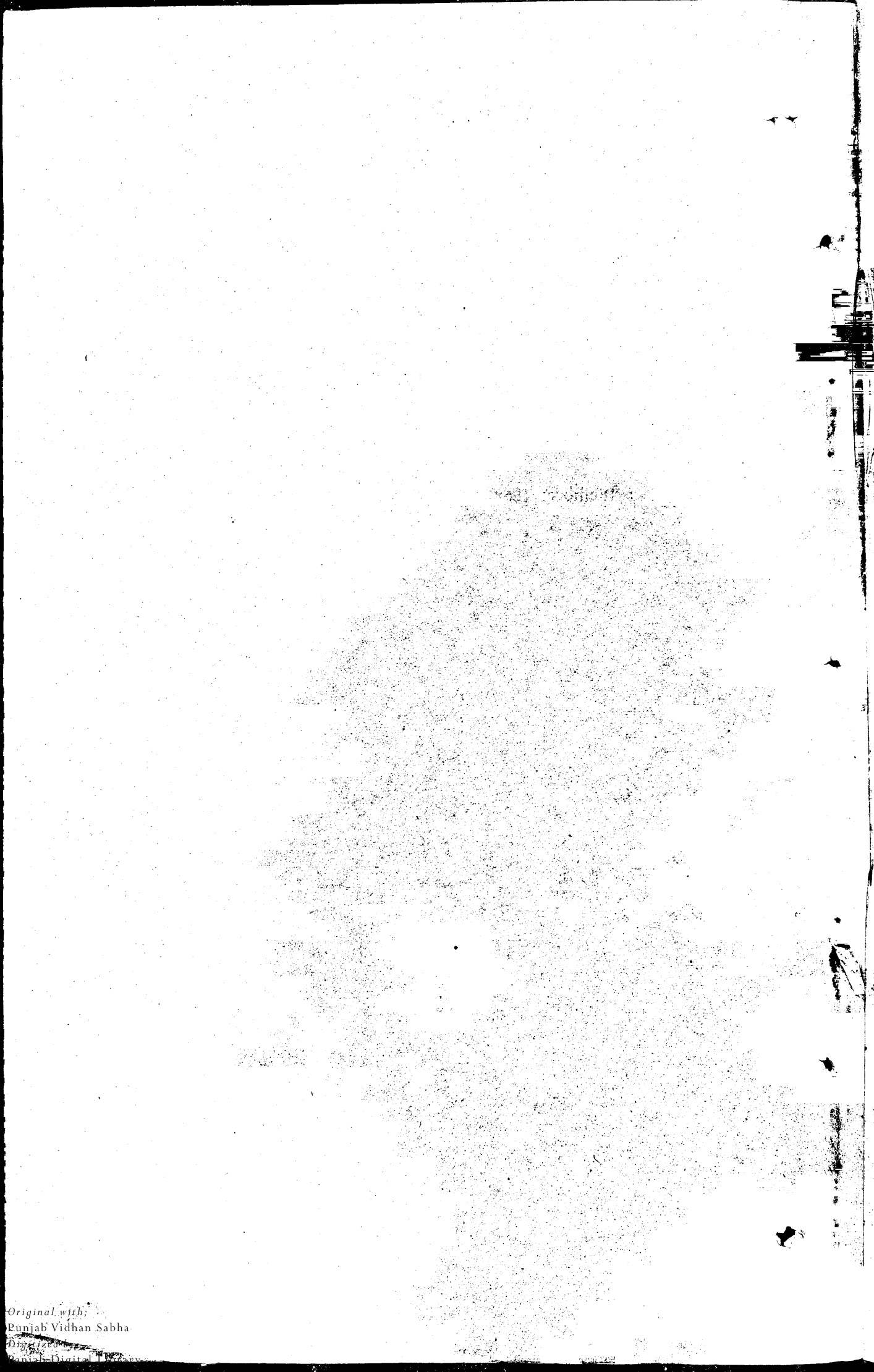
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SUMMONING, SITTINGS AND PROROGATION OF THE FOURTH VIDHAN SABHA DURING ITS SECOND SESSION HELD FROM THE 22ND NOVEMBER TO 19TH DECEMBER, 1967.

The Fourth Punjab Vidhan Sabha was summoned to meet for its 2nd (Winter) Session, 1967, in the Hall of the Punjab Vidhan Bhavan, Chandigarh, on Wednesday, the 22nd November, 1967, by an Order of the Governor, dated the 21st October, 1967, and continued to meet till the 19th December, 1967, when it was adjourned *sine die*. It was prorogued by an Order of the Governor of Punjab, dated the 30th December, 1967.

During the Session, the Sabha held 13 sittings.

PROGRAMME OBSERVED

Date	Programme
1	2
22nd November, 1967 (2.00 P. M. to 3.55 P.M.)	(i) Oath or Affirmation by S. Manjinder Singh Behla, M. L.A. (ii) References to the deaths of the late— (a) Sardar Harjinder Singh Behla, M.L.A., (b) Chaudhri Sri Chand, Speaker, Haryana Vidhan Sabha, (c) Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia, M.P. and (d) Master Tara Singh, eminent Akali Leader. (iii) Motion regarding adjournment of the House till 4th December, 1967.
4th December, 1967 (2.00 P.M. to 5.00 P.M.)	Discussion on the point of order raised by Comrade Satya Pal Dang, questioning the legality and constitutionality of the action of the Punjab Governor in not accepting the advice of the outgoing Chief Minister to dissolve the Vidhan Sabha and order a mid—term poll and in inviting the Leader of the Janta Party and administering to him oath as Chief Minister (Continued on the 5th December, 1967).
5th December, 1967 (2.00 P.M. to 5.23 P.M.)	Resumption of discussion on the point of order raised by Comrade Satya Pal Dang, M.L.A. on the 4th December, 1967 (Concluded).

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6th December, 1967 (2.00 P.M. to 7.40 P.M.)	Homage to Guru Tegh Bahadur.
7th December, 1967 (2.00 P.M. to 6.16 P.M.)	(i) Presentation and adoption of the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee. (ii) Non-official Business. Bill (a) Introduction of the Punjab Official Language (Amendment Bill, 1967 (By Sardar Sikander Singh, M.L.A.) (b) Resolution. "With a view to remove the existing disparities in wealth and income and raise the living standard of the people, this House recommends to the Government to play an active and dynamic role in planning, guiding and directing the economic development of the State so as to set up a democratic socialistic pattern of society." (Continued on 14th December, 1967).
8th December, 1967 (9.30 A.M. to 9.50 A.M.)	Election of the Deputy Speaker.
9th December, 1967 10th December, 1967	Holidays.
11th December, 1967 (10.00 A.M. to 2.00 P.M.)	(i) Presentation of the— (a) Second Report of the Rules Committee. (b) First Report of the Committee of Privileges. (c) Supplementary Estimates (First Instalment) for the year 1967-1968. (d) Report of the Committee on Estimates (First Instalment) for the year 1967-1968. (ii) Introduction and consideration of the Punjab Requisitioning and Acquisition of Immovable Property (Amendment) Bill, 1967.

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	(iii) Resolution by Pandit Mohan Lal, M. L. A. under clause 2 (a) of Article 213 of the Consitution of India regarding disapproval of the Punjab Local Authorities (Aided Schools) Amendment Ordinance, 1967. (Discussed along with the Bill on the subject, continued on the 13th December 1967)
	(iv) Introduction and consideration of the Punjab Local Authorities (Aided Schools) Amendment Bill, 1967. (Continued on the 13th December, 1967).
12th December, 1967 (9.30 A.M. to 10.25 A.M.)	(i) References to the deaths of— (a) Shri Mehar Chand Mahajan, Ex-Chief Justice of Supreme Court of India; and (b) the victims of Earthquake Tragedy in Konya Nagar (Maharashtra) resulting in heavy loss of life and property.
	(ii) Adjournment of the House as a mark of respect to the memory of Shri Mehar Chand Mahajan, Ex-Chief Justice of Supreme Court of India.
13th December, 1967 (9.30 A.M to 2.00 P.M.	(i) Resumption of discussion on the motion by Pt. Mohan Lal, M.L.A under clause 2 (a) of Article. 213 of the Constitution of India regarding disapproval of the Punjab Local Authorities (Aided Schools) Amendment Ordinance, 1967 (By leave withdrawn).
	(ii) Resumption of discussion on the motion that the Punjab Local Authorities (Aided Schools) Amendment Bill, 1967, be taken into considaration at once (Concluded).
	(iii) Introduction and consideration of— (a) The Punjab Professions, Trades, Callings and Employments Taxation (Repealing) Bill, 1967.

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13th December, 1967—concld.	(b) The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment and Validation) Bill, 1967 (Continued on the 15th December, 1967).
14th December, 1967 (9.30 A.M. to 2.00 P.M.)	(i) Non—Official—Resolution. Resumption of discussion on the following resolution moved by Acharya Prithvi Singh Azad, M.L.A. on the 7th December, 1967:— "With a view to remove the existing disparities in wealth and income and raise the living standard of the people, this House recommends to the Government to play an active and dynamic role in planning, guiding and directing the economic development of the State so as to set up a democratic socialistic pattern of society". (Not concluded). (ii) Presentation and adoption of the Third Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
15th December, 1967 (9.30 A.M. to 1.06 P.M.)	(i) Discussion on the Supplementary Estimates (First Instalment), 1967-1968. (ii) Introduction and consideration of— (a) The Punjab Legislative Assembly Speaker's and Deputy Speaker's Salaries (Amendment) Bill, 1967 (b) The Punjab Legislative Council Chairman's and Deputy Chairman's Salaries and Allowances (Amendment) Bill, 1967. (iii) Resumption of discussion on the motion that the Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment and Validation) Bill, be taken into consideration at once. (Concluded).
16th December, 1967	Off-day.

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1	2.
17th December, 1967	Holiday.
18th December, 1967 (2.30 P.M. to 6.41 P.M.)	(i) Grant of Leave to the Censure Motion against Giani Bakhtawar Singh, Deputy Minister.
	(ii) Consideration and adoption of the Report of the Committee of Privileges on the question of Privilege regarding publication of certain objectionable remarks made by Shri Prabodh Chandra, M. L. A. in the Daily Hind Samachar dated 18th May 1967 in contravention of the orders of the Speaker expunging the remarks.
	(iii) Introduction and consideration of—
	(a) The Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 1967.
	(b) The Punjab Land Revenue (Amendment) Bill, 1967.
19th December, 1967 (2.30 P.M. to 8.54 P.M)	(i) Motion regarding adjournment of the Assembly *sine die*.
	(ii) Introduction and consideration of—
	(a) The Punjab Official Language Bill, 1967.
	(b) The Punjab Ayurvedic and Unani Practitioners (Amendment and Validation) Bill, 1967.
	(c) The East Punjab War Awards (Amendment) Bill, 1967.
	(d) The Punjab Cattle Fairs (Regulation) Bill, 1967.

RESIGNATION/ELECTION OF DEPUTY SPEAKER

Dr. Jagjit Singh Chohan, tendered his resignation from the office of the Deputy Speaker on the 27th November, 1967 (Afternoon) and in the vacancy thus caused Sardar Baldev Singh was elected as Deputy Speaker of the Vidhan Sabha on the 8th December, 1967.

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PANEL OF CHAIRMEN

On the 6th December, 1967, the Speaker nominated the following on the Panel of Chairmen under rule 13 (1) :—

1. Pandit Mohan Lal.
2. Shri Lal Chand Suberwal.
3. Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjeet.
4. Sardar Surjit Singh.

COMMITTEES

Nominated by the Speaker

RULES COMMITTEE

(Nominated on the 30th November, 1967, under rule 254 and announced on the 14th December, 1967.)

1. The Speaker.....*Ex-Officio Chairman*..
2. Sardar Harbhajan Singh, Excise and Taxation Minister.
3. Dr. Baldev Parkash.
4. Comrade Bhan Singh Bhaura.
5. Shri Brish Bhan.
6. Chaudhri Darshan Singh.
7. Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjeet.
8. Pandit Mohan Lal.

BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

(Nominated on the 15th December, 1967, under Rule 33 (1) and (3) and announced on the 18th December, 1967).

1. The Speaker..... .....Ex-Officio Chairman.
2. Dr. Jagjit Singh Chohan, Finance Minister.
3. Sardar Harbhajan Singh, Excise and Taxation Minister.
4. Dr. Baldev Parkash.
5. Sardar Darbara Singh (Nurmahal).
6. Shri Prabodh Chandra.

SPECIAL INVITEE

7. Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjeet.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Though no announcement was made in the House, the Hon. Speaker had nominated Sardar Amar Singh Dosanjh, M.L.A. as Chairman of the Library Committee on the 8th December, 1967 in the vacancy caused by the resignation of Sardar Jasdev Singh, M.L.A. Further, the Hon. Speaker was pleased to nominate Shri Harbhij Ram, M.L.A. as a member of the Committee in place of Sardar Narinde a Singh, M.L.A., resigned on appointment as a Minister.

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ELECTED BY THE SABHA

1. On the 14th December, 1967, under Rule 250 (5) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly, Giani Kundan Singh Patang and Shri Sadhu Ram, M.L.A.s, were elected Members of the Public Accounts Committee for the unexpired portion o 1967-68, in the vacancies caused by the resignation of Sardar Bakhtawa Singh and Sardar Natha Singh, M.L.A.s, on their appointment as Deputy Minister and Minister of State, respectively.

2. On the 14th December, 1967, under Rule 252 (4) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly, Sardar Kirpal Singh Dhillon, M.L.A., as a Member of the Committee on Estimates for the unexpired portion of 1967-68, in the vacancy caused by the resignation of Shri Ram Parkash Dass, M.L.A. on his appointment as Minister.

The Punjab Vidhan Parishad at its meeting held on the 14th December, 1967 nominated Shri Gopal Krishan Chatrath, a Member of the Punjab Vidhan Parishad, to associate with the Committee on Estimates of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha for the unexpired portion of 1967-68 in the vacancy caused by the resignation of Chaudhri Kartar Singh, M.L.C. on his appointment as Minister.

HOMAGE TO SHRI GURU TEGH BAHADUR

On the 6th December on a suggestion made by some Members, the Speaker decided to allot time for paying tributes to the sacred memory of Guru Tegh Bahadur, whose martyrdom day fell on that date. Nineteen Members spoke on the occasion.

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed in the House.

OBITUARY REFERENCES

References to the deaths of the following were made by the Chief Minister, Leader of the Opposition and various other Members on the dates mentioned against each :—

Sl. No.	Name of the deceased	Date on which reference was made
1.	S. Harjinder Singh Behla, M.L.A.	22nd November, 1967
2.	Ch. Sri Chand, Speaker, Haryana Vidhan Sabha.	
3.	Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia, M.P.	
4.	Master Tara Singh, eminent Akali Leader.	
5.	Shri Mehar Chand Mahajan, Ex-Chief Justice of Supreme Court of India.	12th December, 1967
6.	The Victims of Earthquake Tragedy in Konya Nagar (Maharashtra)	

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The Speaker associated hi mself with the sentiments expressed. All the Members stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased.

On 12th December, 1967, the House adjourned as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Shri Mehar Chand Mahajan.

Messages of condolence and sympathy on behalf of the Vidhan Sabha were sent as under :—

Sl. No.	Name of the deceased	Name of authority to whom the message of condolence was sent
1.	S. Harjinder Singh Behla.	The Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.
2.	Ch. Sri Chand	The Secretary, Haryana Vidhan Sabha, Chandigarh.
3.	Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia	The Secretary, Lok Sabha, Parliament House, New Delhi.
4.	Master Tara Singh	The Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.
5.	Shri Mehar Chand Mahajan	Justice D. K. Mahajan, Judge of the Punjab and Haryana High Court, Chandigarh.
6.	The Victims of Earthquake Tragedy in Konya Nagar, Maharashtra.	The Secretary to Chief Minister Maharashtra, Bombay.
		The Military Secretary to Governor Maharashtra, Bombay.

for being conveyed to the Members of the respective bereaved families.

FINANCIAL BUSINESS

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES (FIRST INSTALMENT) FOR THE YEAR 1967-68

(i) Supplementary Estimates (First Instalment) for the year 1967-68. were presented to the Sabha on the 11th December, 1967, and discussed and voted upon on the 15th December, 1967.

There were 11 Demands in all, totalling a sum of Rs. 10,47,81,880.

In accordance with the wishes of the House, general discussion on all the Supplementary Demands was permitted. Three Members from the Opposition and two members from the Treasury Benches (including the Finance Minister) participated in the Debate, speaking for 93 and 29 minutes respectively. All the Demands were put one by one to vote and carried.

(ii) The Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 1967.— The Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 1967 (Bill No. 26-PLA of 1967), in respect of the Supplementary Demands voted by the Sabha on the 15th December, 1967, was introduced on the 18th December, 1967 and passed on the same day.

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It was before the Sabha for 105 minutes.

Four Members from the Opposition and four Members from the Treasury Benches (including the Finance Minister) participated in the Debate speaking for 50 and 53 minutes respectively.

LEGISLATION

The Sabha transacted Legislative Business on the—

11th December,

13th December,

15th December,

18th December, and

19th December, 1967.

It passed 12 Bills (including one Appropriation Bill) (See Table I).

Seven Bills, as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad, were received for concurrence of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha but are pending in the Vidhan Sabha (See Table II).

One Non-official Bill introduced in the Vidhan Sabha, is also pending (*See* Table III).

There were 5 original official Bills which were not introduced and notices in respect of them lapsed on the prorogation of the Vidhan Sabha (*See* Table IV).

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TABLE 1

Serial No.	Name of the Bill	Minister introducing	Date of introduction	Date of consideration	Number of Speaches			Time taken in minutes			Amendments proposed			Ameudment not moved			Amendments withdrawn	Amendments lost	Amendments held out of order	Amendments carried			Total time taken for disposal in minutes including the time taken for staung the motion	Date of Passin	Date of transmission to Parishad	Date when received back from the Parishad
					Try.	Opp.	Ind.	Try.	Opp.	Ind.	Try.	Opp.	Ind.	Try.	Opp.	Ind.				Try.	Opp.	Ind.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
1.	The Punjab Requisitioning and Acquisition of Immovable Property (Amendment) Bill, 1967	Chief Minister	11-12-67	11-12-67	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Indication not given in the Agenda										11-12-67	11-12-67	14-12-67
2.	The Punjab Local Authorities (Aided Schools) Amendment Bill, 1967.	Irrigation & Power and Education Minister	11-12-67	11-12-67 and 13-12-67	4	6	..	21	25	..	..	..	--	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	--	48	13-12-67	13-12-67	19-12-67
3.	The Punjab Professions, Trades, Callings and Employments Taxation (Repealing) Bill, 1967	Excise & Taxation Minister	13-12-67	13-12-67	3	7	..	12	32	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	46	13-12-67	13-12-67	18-12-67
4.	The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment and Validation) Bill, 1967.	Excise & Taxation Minister	13-12-67	13-12-67 and 15-12-67	3	3	..	23	35	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	59	15-12-67	15-12-67	19-12-67
5.	The Punjab Legislative Assembly Speaker's and Deputy Speaker's Salaries (Amendment) Bill, 1967.	Labour and Parliamentary Affairs Minister	15-12-67	15-12-67	1	1	..	5	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	15-12-67	15-12-67	19-12-67
6.	The Punjab Legislative Council Chairman's and Deputy Chairman's Salaries and Allowances (Amendment) Bill, 1967.	Labour and Parliamentary Affairs Minister	15-12-67	15-12-67	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15-12-67	15-12-67	19-12-67
7.	The Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 1967.	Finance Minister	18-12-67	18-12-67	4	4	..	53	50	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	104	18-12-67	18-12-67	21-12-67
8	The Punjab Land Revenue (Amendment) Bill, 1967.	Revenue Minister	18-12-67	18-12-67	3	3	..	16	18	..	..	4	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	36	18-12-67	18-12-67	21-12-67
9.	The Punjab Official Language Bill, 1967.	Chief Minister	19-12-67	19-12-67	6	8	1	60	128	3	4	32	..	1	23	..	..	11	..	1	..	..	196	19-12-67	19-12-67	22-12-67
10.	The Punjab Ayurvedic and Unani Practitioners (Amendment and Validation) Bill, 1967	Health Minister	19-12-67	19-12-67	1	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	19-12-67	19-12-67	22-12-67
11.	The East Punjab War Awards (Amendment) Bill, 1967	Revenue Minister	19-12-67	19-12-67	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	19-12-67	19-12-67	22-12-67
12.	The Punjab Cattle Fairs (Regulation) Bill, 1967.	Development & Local Government Minister	19-12-67	19-12-67	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	..	..	..	..	19-12-67	19-12-67	22-12-67

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TABLE II

Bills originating in and received from the Vidhan Parishad for concurrence but still pending with the Vidhan Sabha

Serial No.	Title of the Bill.	Date of receipt.
1.	The Northern India Canal and Drainage (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1967 ..	5-12-1967
2.	The Punjab Public Premises and Land (Eviction and Rent Recovery) Amendment Bill, 1967 ..	5-12-1967
3.	The Punjab Courts (Amendment) Bill, 1967. ..	6-12-1967
4.	The Punjab Security of Land Tenures (Amendment) Bill, 1967 ..	7-12-1967
5.	The Pepsu Tenancy and Agricultural Lands (Amendment) Bill, 1967 ..	7-12-1967
6.	The Punjab Gram Panchayat (Amendment) Bill, 1967..	7-12-1967
7.	The Punjab Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads (Amendment) Bill, 1967 ..	7-12-1967

TABLE III

Bill Pending (Non-official)	Date of Introduction
The Punjab Official Language Bill, 1967 (By Sardar Sikander Singh, M.L.A.) ..	7-12-1967

TABLE IV

Official Bills lapsing on the Prorogation of the Vidhan Sabha

1. The Punjab Passengers and Goods Taxation (Amendment) Bill, 1967,
2. The Punjab Ice Price Control Bill, 1967.
3. The Land Acquisition (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1967.
4. The Pepsu Townships Development Board (Amendment) Bill, 1967.
5. The Sikh Gurdwaras (Amendment) Bill, 1967.

Synopsis of Bills passed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha during Winter Session, 1968.

I. Bills originating in the Vidhan Sabha

1. The Punjab Requisitioning and Acquisition of Immovable Property (Amendment) Bill, 1967. (Introduced and passed on 11th December, 1967)

This Bill seeks to amend the Principal Act so as to extend its life upto the 14th April, 1973.

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2. **The Punjab Local Authorities (Aided Schools) Amendment Bill, 1967.** (Introduced on 11th December, 1967 and passed on 13th December, 1967)

This Bill replaces the Ordinance which was promulgated to amend the Principal Act empowering the State Government to extend the period of control of Local Bodies Schools by one year in Public interest.

3. **The Punjab Professions, Trades, and Employments Taxation (Repealing) Bill, 1967.** (Introduced and passed on 13th December 1967)

This Bill replaces the Ordinance which was promulgated to repeal the Punjab Professions, Trades, Callings and Employment Taxation Act, 1956.

4. **The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment and Validation) Bill, 1967.** (introduced on 13th December, 1967 and passed on 15th December, 1967.

This Bill replaces two Ordinances promulgated inter alia to provide for—

(i) the Constitution of a Tribunal;

(ii) amending the Principal Act, by validating the purchase tax limit by the State Government, which was held void by the Supreme Court; and

(iii) the validation of purchase tax on groundnut.

5. **The Punjab Legislative Assembly Speaker's and Deputy Speaker's Salaries (Amendment) Bill, 1967.** (Introduced and passed on 15th December, 1967).

This Bill provides for a loan to the Deputy Speaker also for purchasing a motor car and raises the limit of the said loan from Rs. 12.000 to Rs. 15,000.

6. **The Punjab Legislative Council Chairman's and Deputy Chairman's Salaries and Allowances (Amendment) Bill. 1967.** (Introduced and passed on 15th December, 1967)

This Bill provides for a loan to the Deputy Chairman also for purchasing a motor car and raises the limit of the said loan from Rs. 12,000 to Rs. 15,000.

7. **The Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 1967.** (Introduced and passed on 18th December, 1967)

This Bill provides for the appropriation from and out of the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab of sums required to meet the Supplementary Grants made by the Vidhan Sabha and expenditure charged on the Consolidated Fund of the State for the financial year 1967-68.

8. **The Punjab Land Revenue (Amendment) Bill, 1967.** (Introduced and passed on 18th December, 1967).

This Bill replaces the Ordinance which was promulgated for the following purposes:—

(i) to provide relief to small landowners, by abolishing/exempting land revenue alongwith the surcharge thereon, on holdings not exceeding 5 standard acres., and

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(ii) to enable the recovery as arrears of land revenue of loans advanced to persons who had suffered losses at the time of Indo-Pakistan Conflict or the anti-Punjabi Suba Agitation etc.

9. **The Punjab Official Language Bill, 1967.** (Introduced and passed on 19th December, 1967)

In view of the re-organisation of the composite State of Punjab on linguistic basis, this Bill provides for the adoption of Punjabi (in Gurmukhi Script) as the official language of the State.

10. **The Punjab Ayurvedic and Unani Practitioner (Amendment and Validation) Bill. 1967.** (Introduced and Passed on 19th December, 1967).

This Bill seeks to extend the life of the interim Board retrospectively to complete the working of registration of persons practising the Ayurvedic or Unani System of medicine in the State and to validate certain acts of the Registrar and other authorities.

11. **The East Punjab War Awards (Amendment) Bill, 1967.** (Introduced and passed on 19th December, 1967).

This Bill replaces the Ordinance promulgated to extend the benefit of a War Jagirs also to some other categories of persons. It also raises the limit of a War Jagir, etc.

12. **The Punjab Cattle Fairs (Regulation) Bill, 1967.** (Introduced and passed on 19th December, 1967).

This Bill replaces the Ordinance which was promulgated for the following purposes:—

(i) to enable the State Government to hold and arrange cattle fairs to the complete exclusion of all private parties or persons.,

(ii) to introduce a uniform procedure for holding cattle fairs in the State.,

(iii) to end the disputes between urban and the rural Local Bodies over the holding of cattle fairs.

NON-OFFICIAL RESOLUTIONS

1. Number of Notices received ..	Treasury Benches	63		
	Opposition Benches	24	87	
2. Number admitted ..	Treasury Benches	18		
	Opposition Benches	19	37	
3. Number disallowed ..	Treasury Benches	nil		
	Opposition Benches	1	1	
4. Number referred back ..	Treasury Benches	1		
	Opposition Benches	4	5	
5. Number renewed ..	Treasury Benches	nil		
	Opposition Benches	1		
6. Number of Resolutions not dealt with because of the decision that not more than one resolution of a Member shall be admmitted for one non-official day ..	Treasury Benches	42		
	Opposition Benches	2	44	

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7.	Total number of Resolutions for Ballot ...	Treasury Benches	18	
		Opposition Benches	19	37
8.	Number of Ballots held ..			4
9.	Dates on which Ballots held ..	18th November, 1967. 4th December, 1967. 11th December, 1967. 18th December, 1967.		
10.	Dates on which business other than Government Business was transacted ..	7th December, 1967 and 14th December, 1967.		

Note :—No sittings of the Vidhan Sabha were held on the 23rd November, 1967 and 21st December, 1967. Hence ballots held for these days could not be utilised.

RESOLUTIONS

On Thursday the 7th December, 1967, Acharya Prithvi Singh, M.L.A. moved his resolution that :—

> "With a view to remove the existing disparities in wealth and income and raise the living standard of the people, this House recommends to the Government to play an active and dynamic role in planning, guiding and directing the economic development of the State so as to set up a democratic socialistic pattern of society."

The resolution was discussed on the 7th and 14th December, 1967 and remained before the House for 212 minutes. Seven Members from the Treasury Benches and six Members from the Opposition Benches participated in the debate for 138 minutes and 74 minutes respectively. A Member from the Opposition Benches was on his legs when the House adjourned on the 14th December, 1967.

The discussion remained inconclusive and the Sabha adjourned *sine die* on the 19th December, 1967.

NO-CONFIDENCE MOTIONS

1. One notice of No-Confidence Motion against the Council of Ministers headed by Sardar Lachhman Singh Gill was received from Shri Satya Pal Dang, M. L. A. on 30th November, 1967. It was later withdrawn by the Member on 4th December, 1967.

2. One notice of Censure Motion against Sardar Bakhtawar Singh, Deputy Minister for his gross misbehaviour at Ferozepore on 16th December, 196 ' was received from Sarvshri Gurnam Singh, Baldev Parkash, Harkishan Singh Surjeet, Rajinder Singh Sparrow and Sat Pal Dang, M.L.A.s on 18th December, 1967.

The leave to move the Motion was granted the same day but it was not be taken up for discussion as the House adjourned *sine die* on 19th December, 1967.

NAMING OF MEMBERS

On the 13th December, 1967, in an atmosphere of interruptions and noise, the Speaker asked Sarvshri Sat Pal Dang and A. Vishvanathan to

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leave the House. When Shri A. Vishwanathan rose to make an observation, the Speaker said that he would have to ask his Sergeant to take the hon. Members out. This was followed by pandemonium in the House. The Speaker read out Rule 104 (2) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly which empowered him to direct any Member, whose conduct was in his opinion, grossly disorderly to withdraw immediately from the Assembly and any Member, so ordered, should do so forthwith. He desired that both the hon. Members, whom he had named, should obey his orders, but at the intervention of the Leader of the Opposition, the hon. Speaker changed his earlier decision and warned the hon. Members not to behave in that fashion in future.

PAPERS PRESENTED/LAID

The following papers were presented to/laid before the Sabha :—

Serial No.	By whom presented/laid	Date on which presented/laid	Subject
1	2	3	4
1.	Finance Minister ..	11-12-1967	The Supplementary Estimate (First Instalment) for the year 1967-68.
2.	Chief Minister ..	Ditto	(i) The Punjab Ordinances Nos. 1—14 of 1967.
			(ii) The Audit Reports on the Accounts of the Punjab Financial Corporation for the year 1963-64 and 1965-66, as required under section 37(7) of the State Financial Corporations Act, 1951.
			(iii) The Punjab Cattle Fairs (Regulation) Rules, 1967, as required under section 22(3) of the Punjab Cattle Fairs (Regulation) Ordinance, 1967.
			(iv) The Finance Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1965-66.
			(v) Five Notifications issued under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1939, as required under section 133 ibid.
			(vi) The Report of the Punjab Police Commission, 1961-62.
			(vii) The Annual Report on the working and affairs of the Punjab State Small INDUSTRIES Corporation Ltd., for the year 1965-66, together with the Audit Report thereon as required under section 619—A (3) (b) of the Companies Act, 1956.
			(viii) The Fourteenth Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Financial Corporation for the year ended on 31st March, 1967, as required under section 38(3) of the State Financial Corporations Act, 1951.
			(ix) Notification No. 5693—IL & E—67/36289, dated the 17th October, 1967, issued under section 40(1) of the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947, as required under Section 40(3) ibid.

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Serial No.	By whom presented/laid	Date on which presented/ laid	Subject
1	2	3	4
2.	Chief Minister—concld.		(x) The Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Agro-Industrial orporation Ltd., for the year ended 31st May, 1967, as required under section 619—A (3) (b) of the Companies Act, 1956.
			(xi) The Amendments/addition (4 Notifications) made by the Governor in the Punjab Public Service Commission (Limitation of Functions) Regulations, 1955, as required under Article 320(5) of the Constitution.
3.	Secretary ..	11-12-1967	(i) The Northern India Canal and Drainage (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1967.
			(ii) The Punjab Public Premises and Land (Evication and Rent Recovery) Amendment Bill, 1967.
			(iii) The Punjab Security of Land Tenures (Amendment) Bill, 1967.
			(iv) The Pepsu Tenancy and Agricultural Lands (Amendment) Bill 1967.
			(v) The Punjab Gram Panchayat (Amendment) Bill, 1967.
			(vi) The Punjab Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads (Amendment) Bill, 1967.
			(vii) The Punjab Courts (Amendment) Bill, 1967.
4.	Chief Minister ..	13-12-1967	Notification No. GSR 88/Const/Art. 320/Amd. (19)67, dated the 25th October, 1967, and corrigendum, dated the 21st November, 1967, thereto, regarding amendment made by the Governor in the Punjab Public Service Commission (Limitation of Functions) Regulations, 1955, as required under Article 320(5) of the Constitution of India.
5.	Chief Minister ..	19-12-1967	Delimitation of Parliamentary and Assembly Constituencies Order, 1966, as required under section 8(2) of the Representation of the People Act, 1950.

REPORTS PRESENTED/LAID

Serial No.	By whom presented/laid	Date on which presented/ laid	Subject
1	2	3	4
			(i) Business Advisory Committee
1.	Speaker ..	7-12-1967	First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
2.	Speaker ...	14-12-1967	Third Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
			(ii) Rules Committee
1.	**Deputy Speaker** ..	11-12-1967	**Second Report of the Rules Committee**

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Serial No.	By whom presented/laid	Date on which presented/ laid	Subject
	(iii) Committee of Privileges		
1.	Shri Lal Chand Suberwal	11-12-1967	*First Report of the Committee of Privileges on the question of privilege regarding publication of certain objectionable remarks made by Shri Prabodh Chandra, M.L.A., in the daily "Hind Samachar" dated the 18th May, 1967, in contravention of the orders of the Speaker expunging these remarks.
	(iv) Estimates Committee		
1.	Chairman, Estimates Committee	11-12-1967	Report of the Estimates Committee on the Supplementary Estimates (First Instalment) 1967-68.

*On a motion moved by the Chairman on the 18th December, 1967, the House agreed with the recommendations contained in the Report.

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ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

Notices of 27 Adjournment Motions were received on different dates. All were disallowed. The following were, however, mentioned in the House

Serial No.	Date of Motion	Date when taken up	Member(s) giving notice	Subject matter	Decision
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	2nd December, 1967	14th December, 1967	Sri A. Vishwanathan, M.L.A.	Regarding the new depot system	1. The Speaker observed that he had already ruled it out of order. The hon. Member could, however, discuss the matter with him in his Chamber. 2. On the 15th December, 1967, Sri A. Vishwanathan, M.L.A. again referred to this Adjournment Motion and the Chief Minister made some observations by way of clarification.
2.	4th December, 1967	11th December, 1967	Comrades Satya Pal Dang, Jangir Singh Joga, Bhan Singh Bhaura, Munsha Singh and Jathedar Jangir Singh Phaguwalia, M.L.A.s.	Regarding the Police lathi charge on demonstrators and arrest of a M.L.A. at Amritsar on 3rd December, 1967	The Speaker observed that the Motion had been disallowed. If the hon. Member had any objection against the rejection of the Motion, he could see him in his chamber
3.	11th December, 1967	11th December, 1967	Comrade Bhan Singh Bhaura, M.L.A.	Regarding the appointment of some Ministers/Deputy Ministers, who are illiterate and incapable of discharging their duties.	The Speaker observed that the Motion had been disallowed by him.
4.	11th December, 1967	13th December, 1967	Comrade Satya Pal Dang, M.L.A.	Regarding the continued strike of the teachers of private colleges	The Speaker observed that the Motion had been disallowed and could not be discussed in the House.

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5.	12th December, 1967	13th December, 1967	1. Dr. Baldev Parkash, M.L.A. 2. Dr. Bhagat Singh, M.L.A.	Regarding the arrest of some Akali Leaders and impending arrest of some others.	The Speaker observed that the matter should not be referred to in the House as the notice had been disallowed.
6.	13th December, 1967	13th December, 1967	Comrade Satya Pal Dang, M.L.A.	Regarding the failure of the Government to settle the demand of the Government employees and their decision to go on strike on 15th December, 1967.	The Speaker disallowed the Motion.
7.	18th December, 1967	18th December, 1967	Shri Balramji Dass Tandon, M.L.A.	Regarding carrying away of the newly-wedded bride alongwith jewellery and currency notes in Sangrur District.	After the Chief Minister's assurance to make a statement on this incident shortly, the Speaker converted the Adjournment Motion into a Call Attention Motion.

QUESTIONS OF PRIVILEGE

Serial No.	Date	Member (s) giving notice	Subject-matter	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5
1.	11th December, 1967	Sarvshri Satya Pal Dang and Bhan Singh Bhaura.	That by declaring to the press the intention of the Government to reimpose tuition fees in Government Schools and also to impose a number of new taxes, the Finance Minister had committed serious breach of privilege by making a policy statement outside the House when the Vidhan Sabha was in session.	1. Dropped in view of the statement of the Finance Minister that the press reports were incorrect. 2. Later it was raised in the House by Leader of the Opposition on 13th December, 1967. The Speaker observed that he would consult the Press Gallery Committee and give his Ruling thereafter.

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Serial No.	Date	Member (s) giving notion	Subject matter	REMARKS
1	2	3	4	5
				3. On the 19th December, 1967, the Speaker referred to the reply received from the Chairman Press Gallery Committee, on the, subject and observed that before giving his ruling he would go into the Report of the Press Gallery Committee, the official record of the proceedings and the two statements of the Finance Minister.
2.	11th December, 1967	Sardar Balwant Singh	Regarding the disclosure by the Finance Minister of the new taxation policy of the Government outside the House when the Vidhan Sabha was in Session.	Dropped in view of the statement of the Finance Minister that the Press reports were incorrect.
3.	18th December, 1967	Shri A. Vishwanathan	Regarding the statement made by Finance Minister at Ludhiana in respect of new taxation policy of the Government.	The Speaker reserved the ruling.

OTHER MOTIONS

Serial No.	Minister/Member moving	Moved on	Discussed on	Subject matter	Decision/ Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	Chief Minister	22nd November, 1967	22nd November, 1967	Motion regarding adjournment of the House till 4th December. 1967.	Carried.
2.	Pandit Mohan Lal, M. L. A.	7th December, 1967	7th December, 1967	Agreement with the recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.	Carried

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Serial No.	Minister/Member moving	Moved on	Discussed on	Subject matter	Decision/ Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6
3.	Pandit Mohan Lal M.L.A.	11th December. 1967	11th December. 1967 & 13th December, 1967	Disapproval of the Punjab Local Authorities (Aided Schools) Amendment Ordinance, 1967, under clause 2 (a) of Article 213 of the Constitution of India.	By leave withdrawn.
4.	Finance Minister.	14th December, 1967	14th December, 1967	Agreement with the recommendations contained in the Third Report of the Business Advisory Committee.	Carried
5.	Chairman, Committee of Privileges.	18th December, 1967	18th December, 1967	Consideration and adoption of the Report of the Privileges Committee.	Carried
6.	Chief Minister.	19th December, 1967	19th December, 1967	Motion under rule 16 regarding adjournment of the House *sine die*.	Carried

CALL ATTENTION NOTICES UNDER RULE 73.

In all, 60 notices calling attention to matters of public importance were received. Only 26 notices were admitted as detailed below in the serial order in which they were received. The rest were disallowed by the Hon'ble Speaker in his Chamber on one ground or the other.

Sl. No.	Call Attention Notice No.	Member/Members Calling Attention	Date	Subject matter	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	1	Shri Harbans Lal Khanna	11th December, 1967	Strike on 24th November, 1967 by nurses, dispensers and other staff of Hospitals of Punjab.	Not taken up as the member was not present in the House.
2.	7	Comrade Dalip Singh Tapiala.	Ditto	A month long lockout in the O.C.M. Mills, Chheherta, Amritsar and the refusal to reinstate 13 workers and under repression unleashed by Police and management on the workers.	The Minister of State for Public Workes laid a statement on the Table on 13th December, 1967.

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1	2	3	4	5	6
3,	8	Chaudhri Balbir Singh	11th December, 1967	Beating of a respectable Municipal Commissioner (Shri Vishwa Mitter Dhir) of Nakodar by Head Constable and three other police constables on 16th September, 1967 in utter defiance of law.	The Chief Minister laid a statement on the Table on 15th December, 1967.
4.	9	Ditto	Ditto	Beating of very respectable citizen who was also Chairman of the Hoshiarpur Central Co-operative Bank by an A.S.I. at Police Station, Tanda Urmar, Distt. Hoshiarpur.	The Minister of State for Public Works laid a statement on the Table on 18th December, 1967.
5.	11	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	Ditto	General strike of the private teachers.	Not moved as the strike had already been called off.
6.	12	Ditto	Ditto	Decision of the Punjab Government employees to go on one day protest strike on the 15th December, 1967.	Copies of the statement were received on 2nd April, 1968 and sent to Members the same day.
7.	13	Shri Harbans Lal Khanna	Ditto	Non-availability of Anti-Rabic Serum in V. J. Hospital, Amritsar.	Not taken up as the Member was not present in the House.
8.	17	Shri Manmohan Kalia and Chaudhri Satya Dev.	Ditto	Serving a notice of eviction on hundreds of tenants of Weir Estate, Ferozepur in the month of June, 1967.	The Minister of State for Public Works laid a statement on the Table on 13th December, 1967.
9.	19	Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill	Ditto	Agitation by the teachers of the privately-managed Schools in the State.	Not moved as the strike had already been called off.
10.	20	Comrade Bhan Singh Bhaura	Ditto	Mass casual leave by doctors in Government Hospitals of Patiala and Amritsar and their threatened complete strike from 7th December, 1967.	The Minister of State for Public Works laid a statement on the Table on 18th December, 1967.
11.	22	Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill	13th December, 1967	Attack made by some demonstrators instigated by some political parties on the office of a daily Punjabi newspaper "Ranjit" in District Bhatinda.	The Chief Minister laid a statement on the Table on 15th December, 1967.

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1	2	3	4	5	6
12.	24	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	13th December, 1967	Recent token strike of Government doctors of Amritsar and Patiala and their decision to go on indefinite strike.	Copies of the statement were received on 11th January, 1968 and sent to Members on 12th January, 1968.
13.	25	Ditto	Ditto	Decision of the Punjab Government to retrench more than 500 employees including many confirmed hands in the Consolidation Department with effect from 1st March, 1968.	The Chief Minister laid a statement on the Table on 15th December, 1967.
14.	26	Comrades Satya Pal Dang Jangir Singh Joga, Bhan Singh Bhaura, Munsha Singh and Phuman Singh.	Ditto	Serious discontentment and resentment that have arisen among Government employees due to failure of the present Government of Punjab to implement the orders of the predecessor Government headed by Shri Gurnam Singh reinstating some of the victimised employees.	Ditto
15.	32	Giani Kundan Singh Patang	Ditto	Failure of the Government to declare the result of the P. C. S. (Executive Branch) Examination held by the Punjab Public Service Commission in 1965 so far.	Ditto
16.	33	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	Ditto	Continued strike of teachers of Private Colleges, hunger strike by a large number of them and student agitation in support of them.	Copies of the statement were received on and sent to Members on.
17.	37	Comrades Satya Pal Dang, Jangir Singh Joga, Bhan Singh Bhaura, Munsha Singh and Phuman Singh.	14th December, 1967	Announcement of the Chief Minister at Amritsar in the meeting of the industrialists that the Government would not bring before the current Session of the Assembly the proposed Price Neutralization Bill to link the wages of industrial workers with cost of living index.	The Chief Minister made a statement.
18.	39	Capt. Rattan Singh	15th December, 1967	Lower rate of price for maize fixed arbitrarily by the Government.	Copies of the statement were received on 19th December, 1967 and sent to Members on 21st December, 1967.

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1	2	3	4	5	6
19.	40	Comrades Harkishan Singh Surjit, Dalip Singh Tapiala and Hardit Singh Bhathal	18th December, 1967	Preparation of recovery slips of Betterment Levy	Copies of the statement were received on 17th January, 1968 and sent to Members on 22nd January, 1968.
20.	41	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	Ditto	Strike of more than 200 workmen of Jagatjit Industries Ltd.	Copies of the statement were received on 21st December, 1967 and sent to Members on 23rd December, 1967.
21.	42	Ditto	Ditto	Agitation launched by the Punjab P.W.D. Labour Union, Patiala Circle.	Copies of the statement were received on 22nd February, 1968 and sent to Members on 23rd February, 1968.
22.	43	Ditto	Ditto	Discontentment amongst the people of border areas because of uncertainty about the policy of the present Government regarding special concessions/facilities to be allowed to them.	The Minister of State for Public Works laid a statement on the Table on 19th December, 1967.
23.	44	Sarvshri Bhan Singh Bhaura, Darshan Singh, Balramji Dass Tandon, Harbans Lal Khanna, Baldev Parkash, Chhajju Ram and Hardit Singh	19th December, 1967	Agitation launched by the Science teachers employed in Government schools of the State against anomalous and invidious treatment meted out to them.	Copies of the statement were received on 20th June, 1968 and sent to Members on 25th June, 1968.
24.	45	Jathedar Jangir Singh Phaguwalia	19th December, 1967	Satyagraha resorted to by the Government science teachers for non-acceptance of their reasonable demands.	Copies of the statement were received on 20th June, 1968 and sent to Members on 25th June, 1968.
25.	46	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	Ditto	Refusal of the Medical authorities of Ferozepore and other Officers to medically examine the students injured on 16th December, 1967 during lathi charge by a Deputy Minister.	Copies of the statement were received on 20th Janurary, 1968 and sent to Members on 22nd January, 1968.
26.	55	Sarvshri A. Vishwanathan, Harbans Lal Khanna, Chhajju Ram, Manjinder Singh, Bhan Singh Bhaura, Bhagat Singh, Jagdev Singh and Satya Dev	Ditto	Advice tendered by Sardar Sardar Singh Kohli, Deputy Minister at Ludhiana on 16th December, 1967 regarding taking of bribes.	The Chief Minister made a statement after the clarification given by the Deputy Minister involved in the matter.

MOTIONS UNDER RULE 84

Sr.No.	Member/Members giving notice	Notice received on	Subject	Remarks
1.	Sarvshri Satya Pal Dang, Jangir Singh Joga, Bhan Singh Bhaura, Munsha Singh and Phuman Singh	12-12-1967	Policy statement made by the Finance Minister at Ludhiana on 9-12-1967 regarding the manner in which the Government intends to fight corruption.	Admitted but could not be discussed as the House adjourned *sine die* on 19-12-1967,
2.	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	13-12-1967	Policy statement made by Shri Ram Parkash Dars, Minister for Health at a Press Conference in Chandigarh on 12-12-1967 as reported in Hind Samachar dated 13-12-1967, regarding grant of maternity leave.	Could not be discussed as the House adjourned *sine die* on 19-12-1967.

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COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF SPEECHES MADE AND TIME TAKEN THEREON

(November—December Session, 1967)

NUMBER OF SPEECHES MADE BY			TIME TAKEN BY		
Treasury Benches		Members of the Opposition	Treasury Benches		Members of the opposition
Members (Excluding Ministers)	Ministers		Members (Excluding Ministers)	Ministers	
			H.M.	H.M.	H.M.
50	19	64	6.41	1.36	9.30
37.59%	14.29%	48.12%	37.58%	9.00%	53.42%

Notes :—(1) Observations/statements/Rulings, etc. by the Chair and the time taken thereon are not included in the above statement.

(2) Question Hour has been excluded from the statement.

(3) Time taken on Divisions, Adjournment Motions, Call-Attention Notices, Questions of Privilege, Points of Order, Motions in respect of legislation, personal explanations, presentation of reports and other papers, etc. is also excluded from this statement.

FIGURES RELATING TO QUESTIONS

1.	Total number of sittings of the Sabha	..	13
2.	Number of questions (Starred and Unstarred) received	..	686
3.	Number of Short Notice Questions received	..	2
*4.	Total number of sittings at which the Question Hour was dispensed with	..	2
5.	Number of Members from whom notices were received	..	40
6.	Total number of questions to which oral answers were given	..	65
7.	Largest number of questions orally answered on any one day	..	13
8.	Least number of questions orally answered on any one day	..	4
9.	Total number of Starred Questions converted into Unstarred Questions	..	138
10.	Total number of Unstarred Questions replied to	..	37
11.	Largest number of questions addressed to any one Minister (Chief Minister)	..	134
12.	Largest number of questions orally answered by any one Minister (Chief Minister)	..	26
13.	Total number of statements in replies to questions supplied to the Members concerned	..	32

* There was no Question Hour on the 22nd November and 4th, 5th and 6th December, 1967, in addition to two days when question hour was dispensed with on the 8th and the 12th December, 1967.

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QUES-

The Question Hour was dispensed with on
There was no Question Hour on the 22nd November

Questions	Number of notices received	Number admitted	Number disallowed	Number not put	Number answered	
1	2	3	4	5	6	
Starred	631 (including 7 renewed questions)	464 (including 7 renewed questions)	167	12	65	Treasury 48.. Opposition 17
Unstarred	55 (including 2 renewed questions)	39 (including 2 renewed questions)	16	..	37	Treasury.. 25 Opposition 12
Short Notice	2	1	1	...		..

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the 8th and 12th December, 1967.

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Number deemed to have been answered under Rule 45		Number of supplementaries put	Remarks
7		8	9
218	Treasury ..127 Opposition ..91	349	1. Twenty six Starred Questions could not be included in any list of questions. 2. Five Starred Questions were deleted from the lists of questions for the reasons that the Member in whose name these were admitted was appointed as a Minister of State. 3. One hundred and thirty eight Starred Questions were converted into Unstarred Questions and included in the Supplementary list of Unstarred Questions (converted as such from Starred) for the 19th December, 1967.
–		..	1. Two Unstarred Questions could not be included in any list of questions.
..		..	1. Reply to one Short Notice Question was not received from the Government till the end of the session and the same was not in time for any day during the Winter Session, 1967.

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Statement Showing the number of Starred Questions answered dated-wise

Date	Treasury	Opposition	Total
1	2	3	4
7th December, 1967	.. 3	1	4
11th December, 1967	.. 10	2	12
13th December, 1967	.. 9	1	10
14th December, 1967	.. 6	6	12
15th December, 1967	.. 6	2	8
18th December, 1967	.. 5	1	6
19th December, 1967	.. 9	4	13
Total ..	48	17	65
19th December, 1967	127	91	*218
Grand Total	175	108	283

*Deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly.

Note :—The Question Hour was dispensed with on the 8th and 12th December, 1967.

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Statement showing the number of starred Questions in the names

Date	Chief Minister	Health Minister	Transport Minister	Industries Minister	Finance Minister	Excise & Taxation Minister
	1	2	3	4	5	6
4th December, 1967 ..	11	1	..	..	1	..
5th December, 1967 ..	10	1	..	1	..	..
6th December, 1967 ..	12	1	1	1	..	..
7th December, 1967 ..	10	4	..	..	..	..
8th December, 1967 ..	13	1	..	1	..	..
11th December, 1967 ..	8	..	4	4	..	..
12th December, 1967 ..	11	2	..	..	..	..
13th December, 1967 ..	9	3	3	1	..	2
14th December, 1967 ..	11	2	1	..	1	..
15th December, 1967 ..	14	..	...	1	..	..
18th December, 1967 ...	18	1	1	..	...	1
19th December, 1967 ..	7	1	1	1	2	2
Total ..	134	17	11	10	4	5

Notes :—1. There was no Question Hour on the 22nd Nove-

2. The Question Hour was dispensed with on

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of different Ministers date-wise]

Local Government Minister	Labour and Welfare Minister	Co-operation & Parliamentary Affairs Minister	Minister of State for Irrigation and Power	Minister of State for Agriculture and Food & Supplies	Minister of State for Public Works	Minister of State for Printing and Stationery & Rehabilitation	Total
7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
..	2	..	4	1	4	1	25
..	3	..	6	1	3	..	25
1	1	..	5	..	2	1	25
..	4	..	3	1	2	1	25
..	2	1	4	1	2	..	25
..	2	...	2	1	2	..	23
..	1	1	4	1	1	1	22
1	..	..	2	2	1	1	25
1	1	..	3	2	2	1	25
2	3	1	..	1	2	1	25
..	2	1	..	..	1	..	25
1	5	1	2	1	1	..	25
6	26	5	35	12	23	7	295

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DIVISIONS

Serial No.	Date	Recorded/Not recorded	Occasion	Result
1.	14-12-1967	Not recorded	On a Closure Motion moved by Sri A. Vishwanathan in respect of the discussion of a non-official resolution.	The Closure Motion was declared lost
2.	19-12-1967	Not recorded. But a count was made :— Ayes .. 36 Noes .. 57	On an amendment to clause 3 of the Punjab Official Language Bill, 1967	The amendment was declared lost

UNPARLIAMENTARY/UNDESIRABLE EXPRESSIONS

1.	ਜਥੇਦਾਰ ਸਾਹਿਬ ਕੜਾਹ ਥੋੜ੍ਹਾ ਛਕਿਆ ਕਰੋ ।	(When used with reference to a member).	4th December, 1967
2.	ਖੁਦਾ ਦੀ ਸ਼ਾਨ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਅਕਾਲੀ ਪਾਰਟੀ ਦਾ ਲੀਡਰ ਖੁਦ ਸਿੱਖ ਨਹੀਂ ।	(When used with reference to a member)	5th December, 1967
3.	ਇਸ ਕਤੂਰੇ ਨੂੰ ਵੀ ਪੁੱਛੋ । ਪਟਾ ਪਾਉ ਇਸ ਕਤੂਰੇ ਨੂੰ ।	(When used with reference to a member)	Ditto
4.	ਸ਼ਰਮ ਕਰੋ, ਡੁਬ ਮਰੋ, ਗੁੰਡਾ ਗਰਦੀ ਦੀ ਹੱਦ ਹੋ ਗਈ ਹੈ ।	(When used with reference to members of the House)	7th December, 1967
5.	ਝੂਠ ।	(When used with reference to the Chair)	Ditto
6.	ਤੁਹਾਡਾ ਕੰਮ ਤਾਂ ਸ਼ਰਾਰਤ ਕਰਨਾ ਹੀ ਹੈ ।	(When used with reference to a member)	Ditto
7.	ਨੱਕ ਨਾਲ ਲਕੀਰਾਂ ਕਢੋ । ਅਗਰ ਇਸ ਅਨਪੜ੍ਹ ਨੇ ਇਥੇ ਬੈਠਕੇ ਇਸ ਤਰ੍ਹਾਂ ਬੋਲਣਾ ਹੈ ਤਾਂ ਬੜੀ ਔਖੀ ਗੱਲ ਹੋਵੇਗੀ । ਇਸ ਨੂੰ ਸੰਗਲੀ ਪਾ ਕੇ ਰੱਖੋ ।	(When used with reference to a Deputy Minister)	Ditto

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8.	ਬਜ਼ਾਰੀ ਜ਼ਬਾਨ ।	(When used with reference to the Treasury Benches).	Ditto
9.	Dummy Minister.	(When used with reference to a Minister).	11th December, 1967
10.	ਵਕਾਊ ਮਾਲ ।	(When used with reference to a member).	13th December, 1767
11.	ਕਤੂਰਾ ।	(When used with refrence to a member).	Ditto
12.	ਕਤੂਰੇ ਨੂੰ ਸੰਗਲੀ ਪਾਉ ।	(When used with refeerence to a member).	18th December, 1967
13.	ਗਲਤ ।	(When used with reference to a Minister).	Ditto

Ruling given by the hon. Speaker on the 6th December, 1967 on the question of Legality of the Ministry.

A question of fundamental importance was raised in the House day before yesterday. On the one hand, it was urged that the Governor in not accepting the advice of the former Chief Minister while tendering his resignation to dissolve the Assembly under Article 174 (2) and hold a mid-term poll and then administering the oath of office to Shri Gill as Chief Minister and to his colleagues as Ministers who do not belong to a majority party in the House has acted un-constitutionally. On the other hand, it was argued that the Governor is not obliged to dissolve the Assembly on the advice of a Chief Minister who finding himself in a minority resigns, and further that he is acting constitutionally in administering the oath of office of Chief Minister to a person who in his judgement is capable of forming a Government.

I have heard Members from different sides of the House at length including the Chief Minister, the Leader of the Opposition, the Leader of the Congress Party and the learned Advocate General. No other business was done on Monday and Tuesday. I have myself given deep thought to the matters raised.

So far as the advice of the out-going Chief Minister to the Governor to dissolve the Assembly under Article 174 (2) and hold a mid-term poll is concerned, references were made to the views stated to have been expressed by the President of India, the Prime Minister and the Home Minister which were to the effect that a Governor is under a constitutional obligation to accept the advice of his Chief Minister in this regard whether such Chief Minister at the time of giving such advice enjoys a majority support or not.

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Yesterday, the Leader of the Opposition referred to Dicey's Law of the Constitution according to which the prerogative of the British Crown to dissolve the House of Commons is exercised on the advice of the Prime Minister.

I would like to inform the House that all prerogatives of the Crown in England, and there is fairly large number of them, have with the growth of the British Constitution become the privileges of the people. This process of transfer has been facilitated owing to the unwritten character of that Constitution. Ours, on the other hand, is a written Constitution and, therefore, requires to be interpreted strictly. According to my view while the Governor may act on the advice of his Government in summoning and proroguing the Assembly, he has to act on his own in dissolving it. He summons the House to transact Government business of which only the Government is aware, not the Governor. He prorogues the House to put an end to a Session so that if Government are called upon to enact emergency legislation, they may be able to do so. But the dissolving of an Assembly before its normal life has run out is an act which must be based on the totality of circumstances existing in the democratic life of the State for which the Governor must make himself responsible.

The other question raised was about the constitutionality of the Governor's action in administering the oath of office to Shri Gill as Chief Minister and to some others as Ministers when they do not belong to a majority party of this House. The constitution regulates the appointments of the Chief Minister and other Ministers under Articles 163 and 164.

Article 163 provides for a Council of Ministers with the Chief Minister at its head to aid and advice the Governor in the exercise of his functions.

Article 164 lays down that the Chief Minister shall be appointed by the Governor and the other Ministers shall be appointed by the Governor on the advice of the Chief Minister and that they shall be collectively responsible to the Legislative Assembly of the State. This Article also provides that if a Minister for a period of six months is not a Member of the Assembly, or of either House of the Legislature in a State where there are two Houses, he shall at the expiration of that period, namely, six months, cease to be a Minister.

There can be no dispute, and I believe there is none, about the meaning of these Articles. The dispute is whether the Governor could invite a Leader of a minority party or group to form the Ministry. Neither the constitution nor the Rules which guide the procedure and working of our House recognise political parties as such. There is no provision in either requiring that the leader of the majority party alone should be the Chief Minister or that the other members of the Council of Ministers should belong to that majority party. Theoretically speaking, it is conceivable that the Governor may appoint the Chief Minister as well as his colleagues from outside the House for a specific period. In other words, the Governor is competent to appoint even non Members as Chief Minister and Ministers. But whoever they are, they must be collectively responsible to the Legislative Assembly of the State.

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I am not concerned with whether the present Chief Minister and his Council of Ministers belong to a minority party or a majority party or even whether the party to which they belong, namely the Punjab Janta Party, has the support of any other party or not although from the number of members who stood up yesterday to indicate their support for this party I cannot but conclude that the present Government has the support of the majority. Not only that, but it will also be remembered that the Leader of the Congress Party acknowledged Shri Gill as the Leader of the House.

I am, however, not concerned with political parties as such so far as this House is concerned except when I am called upon to accord recognition to an Opposition Party. Then according to a ruling of this House delivered by Mr. Speaker G. S. Dhillon on 25th March, 1960, I must see that such party has a common programme inside and outside the House besides having a sufficient strength to form the Quorum. Nor am I concerned with disputing the action of the Governor because I am of the view that he has the right to invite anyone and administer to him the oath of office of Chief Minister whether he belongs to a majority party or a minority party or whether he is a non Member.

As the hon. Members are aware, under the Constitution, the Governor is appointed by the President of India and he holds office during the pleasure of the President. If it is felt by any one that the Governor has misused his discretionary powers, then he may approach the President. The remedy lies with the President and not with the Speaker.

In the end, I would like to say a few words to all the Members of the House. The people of the State have chosen and sent us to this august House for their uplift and welfare. There are many problems which beset this border state and a lot of development work is yet to be done. At present, the legislative work is at a standstill.

The essential pre-requisite of a democratic system is the rule of majority and we should adhere to the principle of majority rule in a sportsman spirit.

Let us not lower or besmirch the dignity and prestige of this august House by any unsavoury remark or unseemly act. Let us work for the progress and prosperity of the State, which is our first and foremost duty.

Ruling given by the Hon. Speaker on the 18th December, 1967, on the representation received from Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjeet in connection with the decision given by him on the 6th December, 1967, upholding the validity of the Government.

Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjeet submitted a representation asking me to reconsider the decision I gave on the 6th of December on the point of order raised in the House on the 4th of December to the effect that the Governor in not accepting the advice of the former Chief Minister to dissolve the Assembly under Article 174 (2) and administering the oath of office to Sardar Lachhman Singh Gill as Chief Minister and to his colleagues as Ministers who do not belong to the majority party in the House has acted unconstitutionally.

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2. Before I refer to the points raised in the said representation, I would like to say that ordinarily a decision or ruling given by the Chair is final and is not reconsidered. It is only in very rare cases when it is explained to the entire satisfaction of the Chair that some point of fundamental importance was not brought to the notice of the Chair or escaped its attention that the Chair may consider the matter in the light of that point. Although I had considered the matter very carefully before giving my decision on the 6th December, yet in view of the observations of Dr. Ambedkar quoted by the hon. Member, Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjeet, in his respresentation and the great importance of the matter, I have again considered the matter keeping in view the points raised in the representation.

3. The hon. Member has urged two points in his representation. One is that the Governor's decision under Article 174(2) has necessarily to be in accordance with the advice tendered to him by the Chief Minister. The other is that when the recognition of the Opposition is conditioned by a common programme inside and outside the House as held by me, how is it that the same criterion does not apply to a party which seeks to form a Government.

4. In support of his first point, Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjeet has quoted the observation made by Dr. Ambedkar in the Constituent Assembly on draft Article 153, which, with suitable modifications, was enacted as Article 174. The draft Article contained an extra clause, which was deleted, under which the Governor was empowered to exercise his functions under sub-clauses (a) and (c) of sub-clause (2) now forming Clause (1) (partly) and Clause 2(c) of the enacted Article 174 in his discretion. The argument is that if the framers of the Constitution had intended the Governor to exercise his functions in his discretion under Article 174 the clause relating to the discretionary powers would have been left in tact. Therefore, the power to summon and the power to prorogue the House which are exercised on the advice of the Chief Minister stand on the same footing as the power to dissolve the Assembly.

My attention has also been drawn to Clause 6 of draft Article 144 which had provided that the Governor's functions under the Article with respect to the appointment and dismissal of Ministers were exercisable by him in his discretion. This clause was, however, deleted and the Article with other suitable modifications was enacted as Article 164.

Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjeet has drawn the conclusion that these clauses were deleted to provide for a constitutional Governor in all spheres of his functions.

Emphasis has also been laid by the hon. Member on the observations made by Dr. Ambedkar on draft Article 143 which was enacted as Article 163. But, while making these observations, Dr. Ambedkar was not propounding a constitutional conclusion but only concerning himself with the method of drafting. He said:

> "Therefore, as I said, having stated that there is nothing incompatible with the retention of the discretionary power in the Governor in specified cases with the system of responsible Government, the only question that arises is, how should we provide for

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the mention of this discretionary power? It seems to me that there are three ways by which this could be done. One way is to omit the words from Article 143 as my honourable friend Pandit Kunzru, and others desire and to add to such articles as 175, or 188 or such other provisions which the House may hereafter introduce, vesting the Governor with the discretionary power, saying not with standing Article 143 the Governor shall have this or that power. The other way would be to say in Article 143 "that except as provided in Articles so and so specifically mentioned—Articles 175, 188, 200 or whatever they are." "But the point I am trying to submit to the House is that the House cannot escape from mentioning in some manner that the Governor shall have discretion."

5. Dr. Ambedkar, while moving for deletion of Clause (3) of draft Article 153, stated "This clause is apparently inconsistent with the scheme, for a Consitutional Governor." This does not imply or mean that the Governor can in no case refuse to dissolve the Assembly if the Chief Minister advises him to do so. But he has to exercise his own judgement. This is amply borne out by the observations made by Dr. Ambedkar, when draft Article 69 was before the Constituent Assembly on 18th May, 1949. This draft Article corresponds to the enacted Article 85 on the subject of Sessions of Parliament, prorogation and dissolution. Professor K. T. Shah moved an amendment, the object of which was to provide that the dissolution of the House of the People must be on the advice of the Prime Minister, if such dissolution is ealier than the completion of the normal term and further that the reasons given by the Prime Minister for such dissolution must be recorded in writing. Dr. Ambedkar, while replying to the debate on this amendment, said:

> "....In the same way, the President of the Indian Union will test the feelings of the House whether the House agrees that there should be dissolution or whether the House agrees that the affairs should be carried on with some other leader without dissolution. If he finds that the feeling was that there was no other alternative except dissolution, he would as a Constitutional President undoubtedly accept the advice of the Prime Minister to dissolve the House. Therefore, it seems to me that the insistence upon having a document in writing stating the reasons why the Prime Minister wanted a dissolution of the House seems to be useless and not worth the paper on which it is written. There are other ways for the President to test the feeling of the House and to find out whether the Prime Minister was asking for dissolution of the House for bona-fide reasons or for purely party purposes.."

(C.A. Debate dated 18th May, 1949, page 107)

6. What applies in the case of Article 85 (draft Article 69) applies with equal force to Article 174 (draft Article 153). In the present case, the Governor must have satisfied himself that the Government of the State could be carried on with some other leader without a dissolution. Therefore,

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before administering the oath of office of Chief Minister to Sardar Lachhman Singh Gill, the Governor must have satisfied himself that he enjoyed the support of an absolute majority of Members in the Legislative Assembly. I, therefore, reiterate that the Governor was not bound to act on the advice of the outgoing Chief Minister and dissolve the Assembly.

7. In support of his other point, the hon. Member has not cited any authority. He has given his reasons for the criterion for recognising an Opposition Party being made applicable to a Party which seeks to form a Government. I had said that I am not concerned with political parties as such so far as this House is concerned. I am concerned with according recognition to a Political Party only when it seeks to become an Opposition Party. In making this assertion, I was guided by a ruling of this House dated the 26th March,1960. This ruling concerns itself only with an Opposition Party and quite naturally so.

I will, therefore, say that there are no grounds on which I may be justified in revising my decision of the 6th December. (*Cheers*).

In the end, I would like to say that I have to go by what our Rules and Constitution say. I have kept them fully in mind while giving this decision as also the decision that I gave on the 6th December. If still, the hon. Member or for that matter any other hon. Member, feels that the Governor's action in ignoring the advice of the outgoing Chief Minister and administering the oath of office of Chief Minister to Sardar Lachhman Singh Gill, and to his colleagues as Ministers is not in conformity with the provisions of the Constitution or is in excess of the powers vested by the Constitution in a Governor, then he may seek remedy, if there is at all any, under the law or approach the President who appoints the Governor and during whose pleasure the Governor holds office.

Voices from Opposition: Thank you for the advice.

Ruling given by the Speaker on the 19th December, 1967, regarding expressing of views by the Members of the Committee of Privileges in respect of the admissibility of a question of privilege in the House.

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Please now hear me. I can get the advice of the Leader of the House but I would request that the Members who have to conduct the proceedings in the Privileges Committee should refrain from giving their opinion at this stage.

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Observation made by the Speaker on the 13th December, 1967, regarding disallowing an hon. Member to speak on a motion which had not been admitted

If the hon. Member, Dr. Bhagat Singh, is not satisfied, he may see me in my Chamber. If the hon. Member has got any new facts, he may state the same to me and I will certainly give due consideration to them. There is an established convention in the House that in case any motion is not admitted or a ruling on any motion is given by the Chair, then the same is not discussed in the House.

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Points of order and decisions taken thereon

1. Whether after the withdrawal of support by the Education Minister and his associates, the Chief Minister had been reduced to a minority and as such he should tender his resignation or not ?

It was held that it was for the Governor to give a decision on this matter whether they were in minority or not. How could the Chair rule that the Chief Minister was in a minority ? So far as the House was concerned, only voting whenever it was held, could clear the position.

(On the 22nd November, 1967, Captain Rattan Singh and a few other members raised the above point of order and the Hon. Speaker gave this ruling.)

2. Whether a member from the Legislative Council, who had been included in the Council of Ministers, could participate in the discussion of the Vidhan Sabha ?

It was held that he could speak but could not vote.

(On the 4th December, 1967 Sri A. Vishwanathan raised the above point of order and the Speaker gave the said ruling.)

3. Whether the Advocate General could sit in the House without having been summoned after getting the sense of the House ?

It was held that in accordance with the provision of Article 177 of the Constitution of India, the Advocate General could take part in the proceedings of the House.

(On the 5th December, 1967 Shri Balramji Dass Tandon raised the above point of order and the Speaker gave the above ruling.)

4. Whether a point of order could be raised before the start of the question hour.

It was ruled that it could be raised.

(On the7th December, 1967 Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjeet wanted to raise a point of order at the very start of the business. The Finance Minister (Dr. Jagjit Singh) raised an objection that no point of order could be raised before the question hour at which the Speaker gave the above ruling).

5. Whether a Bill involving proposals for the delegation of legislative powers could be introduced without a memo. explaining such proposals ?

It was held that the Bill could be introduced and the necessary Memorandum could be added at the consideration stage.

(On the 7th December, 1967 Sardar Sikander Singh introduced the Punjab Official Languages (Amend.) Bill, 1967—a non-official Bill. Shri Lal Chand Suberwal raised a point of order that the Bill being not accompanied by a memo. explaining the proposals involving delegation of legislative powers, was not properly introduced at which the Speaker gave the above ruling.)

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6. Whether it was essential for the Speaker to inform the House about the arrest of any of its members ?

It was held that such an announcement was not required to be made in the House if the Member detained had (in the meantime) been released.

(On the 7th December, 1967 Sri A. Vishwanathan raised a point of order about the arrest on 3rd December, 1967 of Shri Harbans Lal Khanna, M.L.A., at Amritsar. Shri Khanna attended the session on 4th December, 1967 after his release and the Speaker gave the above ruling.)

7. Whether statements on policy matters could be made outside the House by the Minister when the House was in Session ?

It was held that it should not be done.

(On the 11th December, 1967 Comrade Satya Pal Dang referred to the Privilege Motion given notice of by him earlier. The Speaker ruled that the subject matter of the motion did not involve any breach of the Privileges of the House. During the discussion that followed Shri Balramji Dass Tandon and Pt. Mohan Lal raised the above points of order at which the Speaker gave the above ruling.)

8. Whether the proceedings of a Cabinet meeting could be referred to in the House ?

It was held that the proceedings of the Cabinet meetings were a State secret and should not be referred to in the House.

(On the 11th December, 1967 Comrade Satya Pal Dang referred to his notice for raising a privilege issue about a statement made by the Finance Minister at Jullundur. During the discussion that followed, Dr. Baldev Parkash stated that during his Finance Ministership, Chief Minister Sardar Lachhman Singh Gill, who was then Education Minister, resisted his proposal to give relief to the teachers. At this, Chaudhri Balbir Singh raised the above-mentioned point of order in reply to which the Speaker gave this ruling.)

9. Whether a Member, who was earlier a Minister, could speak against a Bill which had been drafted during the period of his Ministership ?

It was held that although the proceedings of the Cabinet meeting were confidential and could not be made public, yet as a Member of the House, he had every right to give his argument for or against the Bill.

(On the 11th December, 1967 during the consideration of the Punjab Requisitioning and Acquisition of Immovable Property (Amendment) Bill, Sardar Balwant Singh spoke against the Bill. Chaudhri Balbir Singh raised the point of order and the Speaker gave the above ruling.)

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APPENDIX

BULLETINS

(FOURTH PUNJAB VIDHAN SABHA—SECOND SESSION)

NOVEMBER-DECEMBER SESSION, 1967

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'BULLETIN NO. 1'

Wednesday, the 22nd November, 1967.

(From 2.00 p.m.to 3.55 p.m.)

I. Oath or Affirmation by a Member

One Member, S. Manjinder Singh Behla, present in the House, sworn in.

II. Question hour

The Speaker announced that he had decided to dispense with the Question Hour to enable the Members to make references to the distinguished persons who had passed away since this Assembly met last. But when the Members on both sides of the House pressed for the revision of this decision, he agreed to make the first hour available for oral answers to questions and take up obituary references afterwards.

III. Point of order

Immediately after this, the Minister for Irrigation and Power and Education raising on a point of order requested the Speaker to allot separate seats to the 17 members mentioned in the list already supplied to him. He stated that he along with these members had formed a new Party, namely, the Punjab Janta Party and with drawn support from the United Front Party.

At this, several Members of the Opposition, including the Leader of the Opposition, Shri Brish Bhan, Shri Prabodh Chandra, Pt. Mohan Lal, Captain Rattan Singh and Shri Darshan Singh demanded immediate resignation of the Front Ministry because due to the withdrawal of the support by the Minister for Irrigation and Power and Education and his Party, the Ministerial Party had been reduced to a minority. The Chief Minister replied that he would not hesitate to resign at the proper time when the Minister for Irrigation and Power and Education had actually tendered his resignation or crossed the floor. He suggested that the House be adjourned for the day after making the obituary references and also from the 23rd November so that the Members could join the funeral of Master Tara Singh at Amritsar and in the meantime the matter regarding the resignation of the ministry will be decided.

IV. Obituary References

The Chief Minister made a reference to the deaths of the late—

1. S. Harjinder Singh Behla.
2. Ch. Sri Chand, Speaker, Haryana Vidhan Sadha.
3. Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia, M.P.
4. Master Tara Singh, eminent Akali Leader

and moved that messages of condolence be sent to the bereaved families of the deceased.

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The following members made observations :—

1. S. Gian Singh Rarewala.
2. S. Amar Singh Dosanjh.
3. Ch. Balbir Singh.
4. Dr. Baldev Parkash.
5. Comrade Jangir Singh Joga.
6. General Rajinder Singh.
7. S. Sardar Singh Kohli.
8. S. Narinder Singh.
9. S. Harcharan Singh Hudiara.
10. Comrade Hardit Singh Bhathal.
11. S. Gurmit Singh.
12. Mahant Ram Parkash Dass.
13. Dr. Gurcharan Singh.
14. S. Jagdev Singh.

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed in the House.

The Members stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased.

It was decided to send messages of condolence to the bereaved families.

V. Adjournment of the House

The Chief Minister stated that he had decided to tender the resignation of his ministry today and moved that the House be adjourned till 4th December, 1967.

The motion was carried.

The Sabha then adjourned till 2.00 p.m. on Monday, the 4th December 1967.

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BULLETIN NO. 2

Monday, the 4th December, 1967

(From 2.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.)

Points of order

Before the business on the Order Paper could be taken up, Comrade Satya Pal Dang, raising a point of order questioned the legality and constitutionality of the action of the Punjab Governor in not accepting the advice of the outgoing Chief Minister to dissolve the Vidhan Sabha and order a mid-term poll and in inviting the Leader of the Janta Party and administering to him oath as Chief Minister.

Dr. Baldev Parkash, S. Balwant Singh, Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjit, Maj. General Rajinder Singh, Pandit Monan Lal, S. Darbara Singh Captain Rattan Singh, Ch. Kartar Singh, S. Girdhara Singh, Dr Jagjit Singh and S. Narinder Singh took part in the discussion that ensued.

The discusion lasted 3 hours. The Speaker reserved his ruling.

The Sabh then adjourned till 2.00 p.m. on Tuesday, the 5th December, 1967.

BULLETIN NO. 3

Tuesday the 5th december, 1967

(From 2.00 p.m. to 5.23 p.m.)

I· Points of Order

Before the first item of the agenda for the meeting could be taken up, Ch. Darshan Singh, raised a point of order in connection with importance of the ruling about to be given by the Speaker. Several members made observations.

II Short adjournment of the House

At 2.55 p.m. several Members got up and raised points of order. The Speaker finding grave disorder in the House adjourned the House for half an hour.

The House re-assembled at 3.25 p.m.

The Advocate General, Sardar Gurnam Singh, Leader of the Opposition and Sardar Gian Singh Rarewala, Leader of the Congress Party expressed their views in connection with the legality of the formation of the Ministry

The Speaker again deferred his ruling to enable him to examine the points of view expressed.

The House then adjourned till Wednesday, the 6th December, 1967.

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BULLETIN NO. 4

Wednesday, the 6th December, 1967

(From 2.00 p.m. to 7.40 p.m.)

I. Homage to Guru Tegh Bahadur

On a suggestion being made that before entering upon any other business, Itributes be paid to the sacred memory of Guru Tegh Bahadur, whose martyrdom day fell to day, the Speaker, after some discussion, decided to allot two hours for the purpose. Relaxation in time-limit was made later on and homage was paid till 6.40 p.m. by 19 members.

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed in the House.

II. Extension of Time

The Speaker extended the time of the sitting of the House until he had given his ruling.

III. Point of Order

Dr. Baldev Parkash through a point of order desired the Speaker to get the opinion of the Union Law Ministry 'whether the advice of the Chief Minister under Article 174 for the dissolution of the Assembly was obligatory or discretionary on the Governor'.

IV. Panel of Chairmen

The Speaker announced that the existing Panel of Chairmen will continue for the session.

V. Ruling of the Speaker

On a question of fundamental importance raised on 4th December, 1967 on a point of order challenging the validity of the Government, the Speaker gave the ruling that the Government was legally constituted.

Pandit Mohan Lal, a member of the Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 4.55 p.m. to 5.45 p.m.

The Sabha then adjourned till 2.00 p.m. on Thursday, the 7th December, 1967.

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BULLETIN NO. 5

Thursday, the 7th December, 1967

(From 2.CC p.m. to 6.16 p.m.)

I. Point of Order

Before the asking of Questions entered in the Questions List could be taken up, Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjit raised a point of order that Speaker in his ruling dated 6th December, 1967 had not taken into consideration an important aspect in the interpretation of Article 174(2) 'as the discretion given to the Governor in the matter of dissolution of the Assemblies had later on been amended by the Constituent Assembly'. Many other members expressed their views on the subject.

The Speaker observed that the objections on his ruling may be given to him in writing.

II. Questions

(a) Starred.

Total No. on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	No. of Supplementaries
100	4	—	1

(b) Unstarred—37 (for 22nd November, 1967, 23rd November, 1967, 24th November, 1967 and 7th December, 1967).

III. Suspension of the Sitting

Members raised a large number of points of order simultaneously, and there were repeated interruptions and disorder in the House. The Speaker adjourned the House for half an hour at 2.40 p.m. The House reassembled at 3.10 p.m. but was again adjourned to meet at 4.15 to enable the Opposition and Treasury Benches to come to an agreement in connection with the conducting of Business in the House. The House was again adjourned at 5-35 p m. to meet at 6-15 p.m.

IV. Report of the Business Advisory Committee

The Speaker presented the first Report of the Business Advisory Committee. The motion moved by Pt. Mohan Lal, Member of the Committee--

"that this House agrees with the recommendations contained in the Report of the Business Advisory Committee."

was carried.

V. Point of order

A point of Order was raised by Sri A. Vishwanathan to the effect that 'No annoucement was made on 4th, December, 1967 regarding the arrest of Shri Harbans Lal Khanna, M.L.A.

The Speaker observed that since Shri Khanna had been released, no announcement was considered necessary.

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V. Legislative business

The Punjab Official Languages (Amendment) Bill, 1967

Leave having been granted by the House to introduce the Punjab Official Languages (Amendment) Bill, the Bill was introduced by Sardar Sikander Singh, M.L.A.

A point of order was raised objecting to the form in which the Bill was introduced on the ground that it did not contain the memorandum for delegation of powers.

Objection was held valid and the mover undertook to remove the lacunae at the consideration stage of the Bill.

VII. Resolution

While moving the resolution that—

"With a view to remove the existing disparities in wealth and income and raise the living standard of the people, this House recommends to the Government to play an active and dynamic role in planning, guiding and directing the economic development of the State so as to set up a democratic socialistic pattern of society,"

Acharya Prithvi Singh Azad spoke for 12 minutes.

The House was then adjourned till 9.30 a.m. on Friday, the 8th December, 1967.

BULLETIN NO. 6

Friday, the 8th December, 1967

(From 9.30 a.m. to 9.50 a.m.)

I. Question hour dispensed with

On a suggestion being made and after taking the sense of the House, the Speaker dispensed with the Question Hour.

II. Election of the Deputy Speaker

Sardar Gian Singh Rarewala moved—

That Sardar Baldev Singh, be the Deputy Speaker of the Assembly.

The motion was seconded by Pt. Mohan Lal.

No other proposal was made and Sardar Baldev Singh was declared elected as Deputy Speaker unanimously.

III. Congratulatory Speeches

Shri Lal Chand Suberwal, the Chief Minister, Sardar Gian Singh Rarewala, Sardar Gurnam Singh, Ch. Sunder Singh, Sardar Harcharan Singh Hudiara and Ch. Darshan Singh made congratulatory speeches. The Speaker made some observations.

Sardar Baldev Singh thanked all sections of the House having been elected unanimously.

The Sabha then adjourned till 10.00 a. m. on Monday, the 11th December, 1967.

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BULLETIN NO. 7

Monday, the 11th December, 1967

(From 10.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m.)

I. Questions

Asking of questions began with Starred Question No. 488 printed at page 2 of the List of Questions for the 22nd November, 1967.

Total No. on the Order Paper	Answered	Not Put	No. of Supplementaries.
144	12	7	60

II. Privilege Motions

(1) The Privilege Motion given notice of by Sarvshri Satya Pal Dang and Bhan Singh Bhaura that 'by declaring to the Press the intention of the Government to reimpose tuition fees in Government Schools and also to impose a number of new taxes, the Finance Minister had committed serious breach of privilege by making a policy statement outside the House when the Vidhan Sabha was in Session' was dropped in view of the statement of the Finance Minister that the Press reports were incorrect.

(2) The Privilege Motion given notice of by Sardar Balwant Singh regarding the disclosure by the Finance Minister of the new taxation policy of the Government outside the House, when the Vidhan Sabha was in Session, was referred to but was dropped in view of the statement by the Finance Minister.

III. Adjournment Motions

(1) Comrade Satya Pal Dang referred to the Adjournment Motion (No. 11) given notice of by him and four other hon. Members regarding the police lathi-charge on demonstrators and arrest of an M.L.A. at Amritsar on the 3rd December, 1967.

The Speaker observed that the motion had been disallowed. If the hon. Member had any objection against the rejection of the motion, he could see him in his Chamber.

(2) Comrade Bhan Singh Bhaura referred to the Adjournment Motion (No. 14) given notice of by him.

The Speaker observed that the motion had been disallowed by him.

IV. Call-Attention Notices

1. Call-Attention Notice (No. 1) was not taken up as the Member was not present in the House.

2. Call-attention Notice given by Comrade Dalip Singh Tapiala (No. 7) regarding 'a month-long lock-out in the O.C.M. Mills, Chheherta, Amritsar, and the refusal to re-instate 13 workers, and undue repression unleashed by the Police and management on the workers' was admitted and the Minister concerned was asked to make a statement.

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3. Call Attention Notice given by Chaudhri Balbir Singh (No. 8) regarding 'the beating of a respectable Municipal Commissioner (Shri Vishwa Mitter Dhir) of Nakodar by Head Constable and three other Police Constables on 16th September, 1967 in utter defiance of law' was admitted and the Minister concerned was asked to make a statement.

4. Call-Attention Notice given by Chaudhri Balbir Singh (No. 9) regarding 'the beating of a very respectable citizen who was also Chairman of the Hoshiarpur Central Co-operative Bank by an A. S. I. at Police Station, Tanda Urmar, District Hoshiarpur', was admitted and the Minister concerned was asked to make a statement.

5. Call-Attention Notice given by Shri Satya Pal Dang (No. 11) regarding 'the general strike of the Private Teachers' was not moved as the strike had already been called off.

6. Call-Attention Notice given by Shri Satya Pal Dang (No. 12) regarding 'the decision of the Punjab Government employees to go on one day protest strike on the 15th December, 1967' was admitted and the Minister concerned was asked to make a statement.

7. Call-Attention Notice (No. 13) was not taken up, as the Member was not present in the House.

8. Call-Attention Notice given by Shri Manmohan Kalia and Shri Satya Dev (No. 17) regarding 'serving a notice of eviction on hundreds of tenants of Weir Estate, Ferozepore, in the month of June, 1967, was admitted and the Minister concerned was asked to make a statement.

9. Call-Attention Notice given by Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill (No. 19) regarding 'the agitation by the teachers of the Privately-managed Schools in the State' was not moved, as the strike had already been called off.

10. Call-Attention Notice given by Comrade Bhan Singh Bhaura (No. 20) regarding 'mass casual leave by Doctors in Government Hospitals of Patiala and Amritsar and their threatened complete strike from 7th December, 1967' was admitted and the Minister concerned was asked to make a statement.

V. Presentation of the Second Report of the Rules Committee

The Deputy Speaker presented the Second Report of the Rules Committee.

VI. Presentation of the First Report of the Committee of Privileges

Shri Lal Chand Suberwal, Chairman of the Committee, presented the First Report of the Committee of Privileges regarding publication of certain objectionable remarks in the 'Hind Samachar' dated the 18th May, 1967 in contravention of the orders of the Speaker expunging those remarks.

VII. Financial Business

The Finance Minister presented the Supplementary Estimates (First Instalment) for the year 1967-68.

The Chairman, Shri Balramji Dass Tandon, presented the Report of the Committee on Estimates (First Instalment) for the year 1967-68.

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VIII. Papers Laid on the Table

By the Chief Minister—

(1) The Punjab Ordinances Nos. 1—14 of 1967.

(2) The Audit Reports on the Accounts of the Punjab Financial Corporation for the years 1963-64 and 1965-66, as required under Section 37(7) of the State Financial Corporation Act, 1951.

(3) The Punjab Cattle Fairs (Regulation) Rules, 1967, as required under section 22(3) of the Punjab Cattle Fairs (Regulation) Ordinance, 1967.

(4) The Finance Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1965-66.

(5) Five Notifications issued under Motor Vehicles Act, 1939, as required under section 133 *ibid.*

(6) The Report of the Punjab Police Commission, 1961-62.

(7) The Annual Report on the working and affairs of Punjab State Small Industries Corporation Ltd., for the year 1965-66 together with the Audit Report thereon, as required under section 619-A (3) (b) of the Companies Act, 1956.

(8) The Fourteenth Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Financial Corporation for the year ended 31st March, 1967 as required under section 38(3) of the State Financial Corporation Act, 1951.

(9) Notification No. 5693-1L&E-67/36289, dated the 17th October, 1967, issued under section 40(1) of the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947, as required under section 40(3) *ibid.*

(10) The Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Agro-Industrial Corporation Ltd., for the year ended 31st May, 1967, as required under section 619-A(3) (b) of the Companies Act, 1956.

(11) The Amendments/additions (4 Notifications) made by the Governor in the Punjab Public Service Commission (Limitation of Functions) Regulations, 1955, as required under Article 320(5) of the Constitution.

IX. Announcements by the Secretary

(i) That the Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1967 which was passed by the Punjab State Legislature during its Budget Session, 1967 has since been assented to by the Governor.

(ii) That the following Bills passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad on the dates shown against each have been received:—

1. The Northern India Canal and Drainage (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1967.	5th December 1967
2. The Punjab Public Permises and Land (Eviction & Rent Recovery) Amendment Bill, 1967.	

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3. The Punjab Security of Land Tenures (Amendment) Bill, 1967.	6th December, 1967
4. The Pepsu Tenancy and Agricultural Lands (Amendment) Bill, 1967.	
5. The Punjab Gram Panchayat (Amendment) Bill, 1967.	
6. The Punjab Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads (Amendment) Bill, 1967.	
7. The Punjab Courts (Amendment) Bill, 1967.	

X. Legislative Business

1. *The Punjab Requisitioning and Acquisition of Immovable Property (Amendment Bill)*

The Bill was introduced by the Chief Minister, who with a few remarks moved that it be taken into consideration at once. Five members from the opposition and one from the Treasury Benches spoke for 13 and 5 minutes respectively. The Chief Minister, while replying, spoke for 3 minutes.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

Clause 2

Two members from the Opposition and 2 from the Treasury Benches spoke for 4 minutes and 4 minutes, respectively.

The Motion was carried.

Clause I and the Title were carried.

The Motion was moved that the Bill be passed.

The Motion was carried.

2. The Punjab Local Authorities (Aided Schools) Amendment Ordinance, 1967 and the Punjab Local Authorities (Aided Schools) Amendment Bill, 1967.

Pandit Mohan Lal moved that this House disapproves the Punjab Local Authorities (Aided Schools) Amendment Ordinance, 1967 (Punjab Ordinance No. 13 of 1967).

The Chief Minister introduced the Punjab Local Authorities (Aided Schools) Amendment Bill and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The Deputy Speaker observed that both the said motions will be discussed together but would be voted upon separately.

Four members from the Opposition and two from the Treasury Benches spoke for 40 minutes and 20 minutes respectively.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 12.00 noon to 1.40 p.m.

Shri Balramji Dass Tandon was on his legs when the House adjourned till 9.30 a.m. on Tuesday, the 12th December, 1967.

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BULLETIN NO. 8

Tuesday, the 12th December, 1967

(From 9.30 a.m. to 10.25 a.m.)

I. Question Hour Dispensed with

On a suggestion having been made by the Chief Minister and after taking the sense of the House, the Speaker decided to dispense with the Question Hour.

II. Obituary References

The Chief Minister made a reference to the death of Shri Mehar Chand Mahajan, Ex-Chief Justice of Supreme Court of India.

S. Gurnam Singh, S. Gian Singh Rarewala, S. Harkishan Singh Surjeet, Ch. Balbir Singh, Maj. Genl. Rajinder Singh, Shri Lal Chand Suberwal, Dr. Bhagat Singh, Com. Jangir Singh Joga and S. Harcharan Singh Hudiara made observations.

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed in the House.

The House stood in silence as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased.

It was decided that a message of condolence on behalf of the House be sent to Justice D. K. Mahajan, son of the deceased, expressing sympathy to him and other members of the family.

III. Reference to the Victims of Earthquake Tragedy

The Chief Minister made a reference to the severe earthquake in Konya Nagar (Maharashtra) resulting in heavy loss of life and property.

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed by the Chief Minister.

It was decided to send messages of sympathy on behalf of the House to the Governor and the Chief Minister of Maharashtra.

The Chief Minister suggested that the House be adjourned for the day as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Dr. Mahajan.

The House agreed to the suggestion for adjournment.

The House then adjourned till 9.30 a.m. on Wednesday, the 13th December, 1967.

BULLETIN No. 9

Wednesday, the 13th December, 1967

(From 9.30 a.m. to 2.00 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred

Asking of Supplementary Questions to Starred Question No. 361 printed at page 7 in the List of Starrted Questions for the 22nd November,

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1967, was resumed and then the Questions beginning with Starred Question No. 382 printed at page 8 of the same list were asked. Thereafter the List of Starred Questions for 23rd November, 1967 was taken up.

Total number on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Number of Supplementaries
177	10	Nil	41

(b) Unstarred—Nil

II. Papers Laid on the Table

By the Chief Minister—

Notification No. GSR 88/Const/Art. 390/Amd. (19)/67, dated the 25th October, 1967, and corrigendum, dated the 21st November, 1967, thereto regarding amendment made by the Governor in the Punjab Public Service Commission (Limitation of Functions) Regulations 1955, as required under Article 320 (5) of the Constitution of India.

III. Questions of Privilege

1. The Leader of the Opposition raised questions of privilege regarding the editorials and the reports appearing in the Press in regard to the contradicting by the Finance Minister and the Health Minister in the House on the 11th December, 1967 the Statements made by them.

Dr. Baldev Parkash and the Chief Minister made some observations.

The Speaker observed that he will consult the Press Gallery Committee and give his ruling thereafter.

Sri A. Vishvanathan also wanted to move a question of privilege on a similar issue, but was not allowed to do so by the Speaker.

IV. Announcement by the Speaker

The Speaker announced that he would give his ruling on Monday next on the points raised in connection with the ruling given by him on the 6th December, 1967.

V. Adjournment motions

(1) Comrade Satya Pal Dang referred to the Adjournment Motion (No. 15) given notice of by him regarding the continued strike of the teachers of Private Colleges.

The Speaker observed that the motions had been disallowed and could not be discussed in the House.

(2) Dr. Baldev Parkash referred to the Adjournment Motion (No. 16 given notice of by him and Dr. Bhagat Singh regarding the arrest of some Akali Leaders and impending arrest of some others.

The Speaker observed that the matter should not be referred to in the House as the notice had been disallowed.

(3) Shri Satya Pal Dang referred to the Adjournment Motion (No, 17 given notice of by him regarding the failure of the Government to settle the demand of the Government employees and their decision to go on strike on 15th December, 1967,

The Speaker disallowed the motion.

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VI. Naming of the Members

The Speaker named Shri Satya Pal Dang and Sri A. Vishwanathan for their disorderly be haviour and asked them to withdraw from the House for the day.

On the assurances of the Leader of the Opposition that the two members named would not behave like that, the Speaker withdrew the expulsion order.

VII. Call-Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 22) given by Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill regarding the attack made by some demonstrators instigated by some political parties on the office of a daily Punjabi newspaper "Ranjit" in District Bhatinda, was admitted and the Minister concerned was asked to make a statement.

(2) Call-Attention Notice (No. 24) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang regarding, the recent token one-day strike of Government doctors of Amritsar and Patiala and their decision to go on indefinite strike' was admitted and the Minister concerned was asked to make a Statement.

(3) Call-Attention Notice (No. 25) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang regarding 'the decision of the Punjab Government to retrench more than 500 employees including many confirmed hands in the Consolidation Department with effect from 1st March, 1968. was admitted and the Minister concerned was asked to make a statement.

(4) Call-Attention Notice (No. 26) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang regarding 'the serious discontentment and resentment that have arisen among Government employees due to failure of the present Government of Punjab to implement the orders of the predecessor Government headed by Sardar Gurnam Singh reinstating some of the victimized employees' was admitted and the Minister concerned was asked to make a statement.

(5) Call-Attention Notice (No. 32) given by Giani Kundan Singh Patang regarding 'the failure of the Government to declare the result of the P.C.S. (Executive Branch) Examination held by the Punjab Public Service Commission in 1965 so far' was admitted and the Minister concerned was asked to make a statement.

(6) Call-Attention Notice (No. 27) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang regarding 'the announcement recently made by the Chief Minister in Amritsar in a meeting of the industrialists that the Government would not bring before the current Session of the Assembly the proposed Price Neutralization Bill to link the Wages of Industrial Workers with the cost of living index' was post-poned to 14th December, 1967 as some information required in connection therewith was still awaited from the hon. Member.

(7) Call-Attention Notice (No. 33) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang regarding 'the continued strike of teachers of Private Colleges, hunger strikes by a large number of them and student agitation in support of them' was admitted and the Minister concerned was asked to make a statement.

VIII. Statements Laid on the Table

By the Minister of State for Public Works

On Call Attention Notices

(i) (No. 7) regarding a month-long lock-out in the O.C.M. Mills, Chheharta, Amritsar.,

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(ii) (No. 17) regarding a notice of eviction served on hundreds of tenants of Nair Estate Ferozepur in the month of June, 1967.,

IX. Legislative Business

1 (a) The Motion disapproving the Punjab Local Authorities (Aided Schools) Amendment Ordinance, 1967, moved on 11th December, 1967 was, by leave, with drawn.

(b) Resumption of discussion on the motion that the Punjab Local Authorities (Aided Schools) Amendment Bill, 1967 be taken into consideration at once.

The Motion that the Bill be taken into consideration at once was carried after some observations by the Chief Minister.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1, Clause 2, Clause 3, Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1 and Title of the Bill were carried.

Motion was moved that the Bill be passed.

Six members from the Opposition and three from the Treasury Benches spoke for 18 minutes and 8 minutes respectively. The Chief Minister, while replying to the Debate, spoke for 13 minutes.

The Motion was carried.

2 The Punjab Professions, Trades, Callings and Employments Taxation (Repealing) Bill, 1967.

The motion disapproving the Punjab Professions, Trades, Callings and Employments Taxation (Repealing) Ordinance, 1967 was, not moved.

The Minister for Excise and Taxation introduced the Punjab Professions Trades, Callings and Employments Taxation (Repealing) Bill, 1967 and moved with a few observations that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

Seven members from the Opposition Benches and two members from the Treasury Benches took part in the discussion and spoke for 32 minutes and 11 minutes, respectively.

Minister for Excise and Taxation while replying made a few observations for one minute.

The motion was carried.

Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1, Clause 2, Clause 3 and sub-clause (1) of Clause 1 and the Title were carried.

The Minister for Excise and Taxation moved that the Bill be passed.

The motion was carried.

3 The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment and Validation) Bill, 1967.

The motion disapproving the Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment and Validation) Bill, 1967 Ordinance was not moved.

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The Minister for Excise and Taxation introduced the Punjab General Salex Tax (Amendment and Validation) Bill, 1967 and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

Two members from the Opposition and two from the Treasury Benches took part in the discussion and spoke for 30 minutes and 21 minutes, respectively.

Ch. Darshan Singh was on his legs when the House rose for the day.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair at 11.43 a.m.

The House then adjourned till 9.30 a. m. on Thursday, the 14th December, 1967.

BULLETIN NO. 10

Thursday, the 14th December, 1967

(From 9.30 a.m. to 2.00 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred—

Asking of questions began with the Starred Question No. 430 printed at page 3 of the List of Questions for the 23rd November, 1967 and thereafter list of Starred Questions for 24-11-67 was taken up.

Total number on the order paper	Questions Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
202	12	5	1	66

(b) Unstarred—Nil.

II Observations by the Speaker

The Speaker observed that there was a growing tendency on the part of the Government to request for extention of time for replying a large number of Questions.

The Chief Minister assured the Speaker that every effort would be made to avoid making such requests.

III. Adjournment Motions

Sri A. Vishwanathan referred to the Adjournment Motion given notice of by him regarding the new depot system. The Speaker observed that he had already ruled it out of order. The hon. Member could, however, discuss the matter with him in his Chamber.

IV. Calling Attention Notice

Calling Attention Notice No. 27 given by Shri Satya Pal Dang and four other hon. Members regarding the announcement of the Chief Minister at Amritsar in the meeting of the industrialists that the Government would not bring before the current session of the Assembly the proposed Price Neutralization Bill to link the wages of industrial workers with the cost of living index' was admitted.

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The Chief Minister made a statement immediately thereafter. Two members put questions on the statement given by the Chief Minister by way of clarification.

V. Announcement regarding Rules Committee

Under Rule 254 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly, the Speaker nominated the following members to serve on the Rules Committee :—

1. The Speaker—ex-officio Chairman.
2. Sardar Harbhajan Singh, Excise and Taxation Minister.
3. Dr. Baldev Parkash.
4. Comrade Bhan Singh Bhaura
5. Shri Brish Bhan.
6. Chaudhri Darshan Singh.
7. Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjeet.
8. Pandit Mohan Lal.

VI. Resumption of Discussion on the Resolution

Acharya Prithvi Singh Azad resumed his speech on the Resolution moved by him on the 7th December, 1967 :—

> "With a view to remove the existing disparities in wealth and income and raise the living standard of the people, this House recommends to the Government to play an active and dynamic role in planning, guiding and directing the economic development of the State so as to set up a democratic socialistic pattern of society."

Six members from the Treasury Benches and five from the Opposition took part in the discussion and spoke for 126 minutes and 74 minutes respectively.

VII. Closure Motion

At 1.50 p.m. Sri A. Vishwanathan moved the closure motion. Thereupon the Chairman put the Question to the vote of the House. Voice vote was taken and challenged. Division bells were rung and opinion of the House taken by a voice vote. The closure motion was declared lost and the discussion was resumed by a member from the Opposition. He was on his legs when the House adjourned.

VIII. Report of the Business Advisory Committee

The Chairman presented the Report of the Business Advisory Committee.

The Finance Minister moved :—

> "That this House agrees with the recommendations contained in the Third Report of the Business Advisory Committee."

The motion was carried.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 10.40 a. m. to 1.12 p.m. and Pt. Mohan Lal, a member of the Panel of Chairmen, from 1.12 p.m. to 2.00 p.m.

The House then adjourned till 9.30 a.m. on Friday, the 15th December, 1967.

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BULLETIN NO. 11

Friday, The 15th December, 1967

(From 9.30 a.m to 1.06 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred.

Asking of the Questions began with Starred Question No. 503 printed at page 1 of the list of Starred Questions for the 24th November, 1967.

Total Number on the order paper	Questions answered	Not put	Number of Supplementaries
227	8	4	61

(b) Unstarred—Nil.

II. Adjournment Motions

Sri A. Vishwanathan's motion regarding new food depot system (No. 9) was referred to by the hon. Member.

The Chief Minister made some observations by way of clarifications.

III. Calling Attention Notices

Calling Attention Notice given by Captain Rattan Singh (No. 39) regarding 'the lower rate of price for maize fixed arbitrarily by the Government was admitted and the Minister concerned was asked to make a statement in connection therewith by the 19th December, 1967 at the latest.

IV. Announcement

By the Deputy Secretary—

That the Punjab Requisitioning and Acquisition of Immovable Property (Amendment) Bill, 1967, which was passed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on the 11th December, 1967, and transmitted to the Punjab Vidhan Parishad for its recommendations the same day, has been agreed to by the said Vidhan Parishad without any recommendation on the 13th December, 1967.

V. Statements Laid on the Table

By the Chief Minister—

On the Call Attention Notice—

(i) (No.8) regarding the beating of a respectable Municipal Commissioner (Shri Vishwa Mitter Dhir) of Nakodar by a Head constable and three other police constables on 16th September 1967, in utter defiance of law.

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(ii) (No. 22) regarding an attack made by some demonstrators instigated by some political parties on the office of a daily Punjabi newspaper 'Ranjit' in district Bhatinda.

(iii) (No.25) regarding the decision of the Punjab Government to retrench more than 500 employees including many confirmed hands in the Consolidation Department with effect from 1st March, 1968.

(iv) (No.26) regarding the serious discontentment and resentment that have arisen among Government employees due to failure of the present Government of Punjab to implement the orders of the predecessor Government headed by Sardar Gurnam Singh reinstating some of the victimized employees.

(v) (No. 32) regarding the failure of the Government to declare the result of the P. C. S. (Executive Branch) Examination held by the Punjab Public Service Commission in 1965.

VI. Financial Business

Supplementary Estimates (First Instalment), 1967-68 :

1. Dicussion on the Estimates of the Expenditure charged on the the revenue of the State.

(No Member rose to Speak)

2. Voting of the Demands for Supplementary Grants.

The House decided that all the demands be deemed to have been moved along with the cut motions, if any, given and voted upon separately.

Three Members from the Opposition and one from the Treasury Benches spoke for 93 minutes and 17 Minutes respectively.

The Finance Minister while replying spoke for 12 minutes.

Demands Nos.1 to 11 put and carried.

VII. Legislative Business

1. *The Punjab Legislative Assembly Speaker's and Deputy Speaker's Salaries (Amendment) Bill, 1967.*

The Chief Minister introduced the Punjab Legislative Assembly Speaker's and Deputy Speaker's Salaries (Amendment) Bill, 1967 and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

One member from the Opposition made a few observations.

The Chief Minister moved that the Bill be passed.

The motion was carried.

2. *The Punjab Legislative Council Chairman's and Deputy Chairman's Salaries and Allowances (Amendment) Bill, 1967.*

The Chief Minister introduced the Bill and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

No member raised any discussion.

The Chief Minister moved that the Bill be passed.

The motion was carried.

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3. Resumption of discussion that the Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment and Validation) Bill, 1967, be taken into consideration at once.

Since Ch. Darshan Singh, who was on his legs on the 13th December, 1967, was not present in the House and no other Member stood up to speak, the motion that the Bill be taken into consideration at once was put and carried.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

Clauses 2 to 23 were carried.

Clause 1 and the Title were carried,

The Chief Minister moved that the Bill be passed.

One member from the Opposition spoke for 5 minutes,

The Minister for Excise and Taxation speaking for 2 minutes moved that the Bill be passed.

The motion was carried.

VIII. Extension of Time

At 1.00 p. m., the scheduled time for the adjournment, the Speaker extended the time till the Bill was passed.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 11.22 a.m. to 12.52 p.m.

The Sabha then adjourned till 2.30 p.m. on Monday, the 18th December, 1967.

BULLETIN NO. 12

Monday, the 18th December, 1967

(From 2.30 p.m. to 6. 41 p.m.)

1. Questions

(a) Starred—

Asking of the Questions began with the Starred Question No. 455 printed at page 3 of the list of Starred Questions for the 24th November, 1967.

Total No. on the order Paper.	Questions answered	Postponed	Not put	No. of Supplimentaries.
216	6	—	—	58

(b) Unstarred—Nil.

II. Calling Attention Notices

1. Calling Attention Notice given by Com. Harkishan Singh Surjeet (No. 40) regarding the preparation of recovery slips of Betterment Levy' was admitted and the Minister concerned was asked to make a statement.

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2. Calling Attention Notice given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang (No. 41) regarding 'the strike of more than 200 workmen of Jagatjit Industries Ltd. was admitted and the Minister concerned was asked to make a statement.

3. Calling Attention Notice given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang (No. 42) regarding the agitation launched by the Punjab P.W.D. Labour Union, Patiala Circle, was admitted and the Minister concerned was asked to make a statement.

4. Calling Attention Notice given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang (No. 43) regarding the discontentment that has arisen amongst the people of border areas because of uncertainty about the policy of the present Government regarding special concession/facilities to be allowed to them was admitted and the Minister concerned was asked to make a Statement.

III. Anouncement by the Speaker

Under Rule 33 (1) of Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business, the Speaker announced the reconstitution of the Business Advisory Committee consequent upon the resignation of two of its members :—

1. The Speaker, Ex-Officio Chairman
2. Dr. Jagjit Singh Chohan, Finance Minister.
3. Sardar Harbhajan Singh, Excise and Taxation Minister.
4. Dr. Baldev Parkash
5. S. Darbara Singh (Nurmahal)
6. Shri Prabodh Chandra.

Special Invitee

7. Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjeet

IV. Question on the Statement regarding Calling Attention Notice

Ch. Balbir Singh wanted clarification with regard to the Statement given by the Minister concerned on calling Attention Notice (No. 8).

No reply was given by the Minister.

V. Statements Laid of the Table

By the Minister of State for Public Works :—

(1) (No. 9) regarding the beating of a very respectable citizen who was also Chairman of the Hoshiarpur Central Co-operative Bank by an A.S.I. at Police Station Tanda Urmar in District Hoshiarpur.

(ii) (No. 20) regarding mass casual leave by Doctors in Government Hospitals of Patiala and Amritsar and their threatened complete strike from 7th December, 1967.

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VI. Censure Motion

Leave to move a substantive Motion against Deputy Minister, Giani Bakhtawar Singh, was sought by S. Gurnam Singh and other members of the Opposition in respect of the alleged behaviour of the Minister in the Dev Samaj College, Ferozepur.

On the Speaker asking the members supporting the motion to stand in their seats, 35 members stood up. Leave to move the motion was granted and the Speaker promised to allot time for discussion thereof.

VII. Privilege Motion

Sri A. Vishwanathan, a member of the Opposition, referred to a privilege motion given notice of by him regarding the statement made by the Finance Minister at Ludhiana regarding the new taxation policy of the Government. After some discussion the member was allowed to read out the motion. The Ruling thereon was reserved by the Speaker.

VIII. Adjournment Motion

Shri Balramji Dass Tandon referred to Adjournment Motion (No. 19) given notice by him 'regarding the carrying away of the newly-wedded bride, along with jewellery and currency notes in Sangrur District.'

The Chief Minister assured the House that he would make a statement on the incident shortly.

The Speaker thereupon converted the Adjournment Motion into Call Attention Motion.

IX. Ruling by the Speaker

The Speaker gave his Ruling on the representation received from Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjeet in connection with the decision given by him on 6th December, 1967 upholding the Validity of the Government.

X. Consideration and adoption of Report of Committee of Privileges

The Chairman Moved that the First Report of the Committee of Privileges, presented to the House on 11th December, 1967, be taken into consideration. He further moved that the House, having considered the Report of the Committee, agrees with the recommendations contained therein.

The Motions was Carried

X. Legislative Business

1. The Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 1967.

The Finance Minister introduced the Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 1967 and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

Four members from the Opposition and three from the Treasury Benches spoke for 50 minutes and 43 minutes, respectively.

The Finance Minister, while replying, spoke for 10 minutes.

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Guillotine was applied at 6.15 P.M.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

Clause 2, 3, Schedule, Clause No. 1 and the Title of the Bill were carried,

The Finance Minister moved that the Punjab Appropriation (No.3) Bill, 1967 be passed.

The motion was carried.

2. The Punjab Land Revenue (Amendment) Bill, 1967.

The motion disapproving the Punjab Land Revenue (Amendment) Ordinance, 1967 was not moved,

The Chief Minister introduced the Puniab Land Revenue (Amendment) Bill, 1967 and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was carried

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

Sub-clause (2) of clause 1 was carried,

CLAUSE 2

Amendment to clause 2 was moved by Com. Harkishan Singh Surjeet, a member of the Opposition.

Three members from the Opposition and two from the Treasury Benches spoke for 18 and 9 minutes respectively.

The Cheif Minister made a few observations accepting the amendment.

Clause 2 as amended, was carried.

Clauses 3, 4, 5, Sub clause (1) of Clause 1 and Title were carried.

The Chief Minister moved that the Bill, as amended, be passed

The motion was carricd

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 4.40 P.M. to 5.58 P.M.

The House then adjourned till 2.30 P.M. on Tuesday, the 19th December, 1967.

BULLETIN NO. 13

Tuesday, the 19th December, 1967

(From 2.30 P.M to 8.54 P.M.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred

Asking of Questions began with Starred Question No. 502 printed at page 5 of the List of Starred Questions for 24th November

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1967 and then rest of the Questions on that list were taken up followed by Questions on the List of Starred Questions for 27th November, 1967.

Total Number on the order Paper	Question Answered	Postponed	Not put	No. of Supplementaries
243	13	1	—	62

The remaining starred questions were deemed to have been answered and replies thereto laid on the Table of the House under rule 45 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business.

(b) Unstarred—Nil

II. Question of Privilege

The Speaker referred to the reply received from the Chairman, Press Gallery Committee on the "matter relating to the version of the Press Conference given by the Finance Minister at Jullundur'.

The Speaker observed that before giving his ruling, he would go into the Report of the Press Gallery Committee, the official record of the proceedings and the two statements of the Finance Minister.

III. Call Attention Notices

1. Call-Attention Notice given by Comrade Bhan Singh Bhaura (No. 44) regarding 'the agitation launched by the Science Teachers employed in Government Schools of the State against anomalous and invidious treatment meted out to them' was admitted and the Minister concerned was asked to make a statement.

2. Call-Attention Notice given by Jathedar Jangir Singh Phaguwalia (No. 45) regarding 'the Satyagraha resorted to by the Government science teachers for non-acceptance of their reasonable demands' was admitted and the Minister concerned was asked to make a statement.

3. Call-Attention Notice given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang (No. 46) regarding 'the refusal of the Medical Authorities of Ferozepur and other Officers to medically examine the students injured on 16th December, 1967 during lathi-charge by the Deputy Minister' was admitted and the Minister concerned was asked to make a statement.

4. Reference was made to Call-Attention Notice (No. 32) regarding result of the P.C.S. examination. The Speaker observed that he had already admitted the motion and asked the Minister concerned to make a statement.

5. Call-attention Notice (No. 55) by Sri A. Vishwa nathan was admitted. The Chief Minister gave a statement after the clarification given by the Deputy Minister involved in the matter refered to in the Call-Attention Motion.

IV. Statement Laid on the Table

By Minister of State for Public Works.—

On Call-Attention Motion (No. 43) regarding 'the discontment that has arisen amongst the people of border areas because of uncertainty about the policy of the present Government regarding special concession/facilities to be allowed to them'.

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V. Announcement Regarding Petitions Committee

Under rule 293 (I) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business, the Speaker nominated the following members to serve on the Committee on Petitions for the winter session, 1967 of the Vidhan Sabha:—

1. Sardar Baldev Singh, Deputy Speaker, ex-officio Chairman.
2. Bhagat Guran Das 'Hans'.
3. Sardar Gardhara Singh.
4. Shri Chhaju Ram.
5. Sardar Hardit Singh of Nathana.

VI. Announcement

By the Secretary—

That the following four Bills which were passed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on the 13th/15th December, 1967 and transmitted to the Punjab Vidhan Parishad on the same dates for its recommendations have been agreed to by the said Vidhan Parishad without any recommendation on the 18th December, 1967:—

1. The Punjab Local Authorities (Aided Schools) Amendment Bill, 1967.
2. The Punjab Professions, Trades, Callings and Employments Taxation (Repealing) Bill, 1967.
3. The Punjab Legislative Assembly Speaker's and Deputy Speaker's Salaries (Amendment) Bill, 1967.
4. The Punjab Legislative Council Chairman and Deputy Chairman's Salaries and Allowances (Amendment) Bill, 1967.

VII. Motion for Adjournment Sine die under rule 16

The motion moved by the Chief Minister 'that the Assembly at its rising this day, shall stand adjourned *sine die*.'
was carried.

VIII. Legislative Business

The Punjab Official Language Bill, 1967.

The Chief Minister introduced the Punjab Official Language Bill, 1967 and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

Seven members from the Treasury Benches and eight from the Opposition spoke for 63 and 128 minutes, respectively.

The Chief Minister, while replying, spoke for 13 minutes.

The motion was carried.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

Sub-Clause (2) & (3) of clause I and clause 2 were carried.

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Amendment to clause 3 moved by Shri Lal Chand Suberwal was put to vote. The members were asked to stand in their places and a count was made. 36 members voted in favour and 67 against it. The amendment was declared lost.

The amendment to clause 3 moved by the Chief Minister was carried. Rest of the amendments were either not moved or lost.

Clause 3, as amended, was carried.

Clauses 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 were carried after amendments thereto were either lost or not moved.

Clause 9, Sub-clause (1) of Clause I and Title were carried.

The Chief Minister moved that the Bill, as amended, be passed.

The motion was carried.

2. The Punjab Ayurvedic and Unani Practitioners (Amendment and Validation) Bill, 1967.

The Health Minister introduced the Bill and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was carried after one member from the Treasury Benches and one from the Opposition had made a few observations.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

Clauses 2, 3, 4, Clause 1 and Title were carried.

The Health Minister moved that the Bill be passed.

The motion was carried.

3. The East Punjab War Awards (Amendment) Bill, 1967.

Resolution disapproving the Ordinance was not moved.

The Chief Minister introduced the Bill and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was carried.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

Clauses 2, 3, 4, Clause (1) and Title were carried.

The Chief Minister moved that the Bill be passed.

The motion was carried.

4. The Punjab Cattle Fairs (Regulation) Bill, 1967

Resolution disapproving the Ordinance was not moved.

The Chief Minister introduced the Bill and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

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The motion was carried.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

Clauses 2 to 24 were carried.

Clause 1 and Title were carried.

The Chief Minister moved that the Bill be passed.

A member from the Treasury Benches made a few observations.

The motion was carried.

IX. Papers Laid on the Table

The Chief Minister laid on the Table—The Delimitation of Parliamentary and Assembly Constituencies Order, 1966.

X. Extension of time.

The Speaker, in the first instance, extended the time of the sitting by one hour. It was further extended till the business before the House was finished.

XI. Censure Motion against a Deputy Minister

The Speaker observed that he would allot time for the discussion of the motion after getting a full report of the incident at Ferozepur as the Chief Minister wanted time to make an on-the-spot enquiry to find out the facts of the matter. The Session was not going to be prorogued and the matter, if necessary, could be taken up in the House after about ten days.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 4.45 p.m. to 5.50 p.m.

The House then adjourned *sine die*.

Dated Chandigarh,
The 19th December, 1967.

KULDIP CHAND BEDI,
Secretary.

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PREFACE

The following pages contain Resume of Business transacted by the Fourth Vidhan Sabha during its third session held in February—March, 1968 together with the bulletins issued daily after the adjournment of each sitting of the Sabha.

It is hoped that the publication would be found useful by the Members and others who may wish to know in detail what work was done each day by the Vidhan Sabha in this Session.

Any suggestion for the further improvement of this publication in future would be very gratefully welcomed.

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The 20th December, 1968

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PROGRAMME OBSERVED BY THE FOURTH PUNJAB VIDHAN SABHA DURING ITS 3RD SESSION HELD FROM 22ND FEBRUARY TO 7TH MARCH, 1968

Date	Programme
22nd February, 1968 (3.00 p.m.)	Governor's Address to the members of both the Houses assembled together.
23rd February, 1968 (12 noon to 12.50 p.m.)	1. References to the deaths of the late— (a) Hafiz Mohammad Ibrahim, Ex-Governor, Punjab. (b) Shri Deendayal Upadhaya, President, Bhartiya Jan Sangh (c) Dr. Bal Krishan, Ex-M. L. A. (d) Dr. Kailash Nath Katju, Ex-Union Home Minister. (e) Dr. M. S. Aney, Ex-M. P. 2. Adjournment of the House as a mark of respect to the memory of all these eminent personalities.
24th February, 1968	Off-day.
25th February, 1968 26th February, 1968	Holidays.
27th February, 1968 (9.00 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.)	Discussion of the Governor's Address (Continued on the 28th February, 1968)
28th February, 1968 (9.00 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.)	Resumption of discussion of the Governor's Address (Continued on the 29th February, 1968).
29th February, 1968 (9.30 a.m. to 2.05 p.m.)	Resumption of discussion of the Governor's Address (Concluded).
1st March, 1968 (9.00 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.)	Presentation of the Budget Estimates for the year 1968-69.
2nd March, 1968	Off-day.
3rd March, 1968	Holiday.
4th March, 1968 (2.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.)	General discussion of the Budget for the year 1968-69 (Continued on the 5th March, 1968).

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5th March, 1968 (2.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.)	(1) Presentation and adoption of the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
	(2) Resumption of General Discussion of the Budget for the year 1968-69 (Not concluded).
6th March, 1968 (1.30 p.m. to 6.48 p.m.)	(1) Presentation of the Twenty-Fifth Report of the Public Accounts Committee on the Appropriation Accounts of the Punjab Government for the year 1964—65 and 1965-66 and the Audit Reports 1966 and 1967.
	(2) Presentation of the Supplementary Estimates (Second Instalment) for the year 1967-68.
	(3) Presentation of the Report of the Committee on Estimates on the Supplementary Estimates (Second Instalment) for the year 1967-68.
	(4) Introduction of the Land Acquisition (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1968.
	(5) The Pepsu Tenancy and Agricultural Lands (Amendment) Bill, 1967, as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad.
	(6) The Punjab Security of Land Tenures (Amendment) Bill, 1967, as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad.
7th March, 1968 (2.00 p.m. to 3.15 p.m.)	Adjournment of the House by the Speaker for two months.

SUMMONING, SITTINGS AND PROROGATION OF THE VIDHAN SABHA.

The Fourth Punjab Vidhan Sabha was summoned to meet for its 3rd (Budget) Session, 1968, in the Hall of the Punjab Vidhan Bhavan, Chandigarh, on Thursday, the 22nd February, 1968, by an Order of the Governor, dated the 30th January, 1968 and continued to meet till the 7th March 1968, when it was adjourned by the Speaker for two months. Later, it was prorogued by an Order of the Governor, dated the 11th March, 1968.

During the Session, the Sabha held 9 sittings excluding the one when the Governor addressed Members of both the Houses assembled together.

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LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Leave of absence from the sittings of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha—Committees thereof was granted to Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjeet, M.L.A. on the 23rd February, 1968.

PANEL OF CHAIRMEN

On the 23rd February, 1968, the Speaker nominated the following on the Panel of Chairmen under rule 13 (1):—

1. Pandit Mohan Lal.
2. Shri Lal Chand Suberwal.
3. Sardar Surjit Singh Barnala.
4. Dr. Bhagat Singh.

GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS

The Governor addressed members of both the Houses assembled together on Thursday, the 22nd February, 1968, at 3.00 P.M.

The Speaker laid a copy of the Governor's Address before the Sabha on the 23rd February, 1968.

The motion of thanks on the Address was moved by Shri Prabodh Chandra, M.L.A. on the 27th February, 1968 and it was seconded by Sardar Amar Singh Dosanjh, M.L.A. on the 28th February, 1968.

The motion was discussed on—

the 27th February, 1968—	for 18 minutes (Treasury)
the 28th February, 1968—	for 186 minutes (Treasury 96 minutes and Opposition 90 minutes).
the 29th February, 1968—	for 174 minutes (Treasury 87 minutes and Opposition 87 minutes).

17 members took part in the discussion, 9 from the Treasury (including the Chief Minister and Parliamentary Affairs Minister) and 8 from the Opposition Benches, speaking for 201 minutes and 177minutes respectively.

All the 17 amendments were deemed to have been read and moved. Amendments from 1—16 were put to the vote of the House and lost. The motion was carried on the 29th February, 1968.

It was communicated by the Speaker to the Governor on the 1st March, 1968.

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REFERENCES

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1. Hafiz Mohammed Ibrahim, Ex-Governor, Punjab.
2. Shri Deendayal Upadhya, President, Bhartiya Jan Sangh.
3. Dr. Bal Krishan, Ex-M.L.A.
4. Dr. Kailash Nath Katju. Ex—Union Home Minister.
5. Dr. M. S. Aney, Ex-M.P.

were made On the 23rd February, 1968 by the Chief Minister, Leader of the Opposition and other serveral members.

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed. All the members stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased and the House adjourned as a mark of respect to their memory.

Messages of condolence and sympathy on behalf of the Vidhan Sabha were sent as under:—

Sr. No.	Name of deceased	Name of next of kin/ authority.
1.	Hafiz Mohammed Ibrahim, Ex-Governor, Punjab.	The Secretary, Ministry of Home, Government of India, New Delhi.
2.	Shri Deendayal Upadhya, President, Bhartiya Jan Sangh.	Shri Atal Behari Vajpayee M.P. President, Bhartiya Jan Sangh, Parliament House, New Delhi.
3.	Dr. Bal Krishan, Ex-M.L.A.	The Deputy Commissioner, Hoshiarpur.
4.	Dr. Kailash Nath Katju, Ex-Union Home Minister.	Mr. Justice S.N. Katju, Allahabad High Court, Allahabad.
5.	Dr. M.S. Aney, Ex-M.P.	The Secretary, Lok Sabha. Parliament House, New Delhi

REPORT PRESENTED

The First Report of the Business Advisory Committee was presented to the House by the Speaker on the 5th March, 1968.

FINANCIAL BUSINESS

I. Supplementary Estimates (Second Instalment) for the year 1967-68.

The Supplementary Estimates (Second Instalment) for the year 1967-68 were presented to the House on the 6th March, 1968, but the same could not be discussed and voted upon as the House adjourned on the 7th March, 1968.

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There were 16 Demands in all totalling a sum of Rs. 18,36,30,690.

II. Budget Estimates for the year 1968-69

(i) The Budget Estimates for the year 1968-69 were presented to the House by the Finance Minister on the 1st March, 1968.

(ii) General discussion. The general discussion on the Budget took place on the—

4th March, 1968	..	For 176 minutes (Treasury 80 minutes and Opposition 96 minutes).
5th March, 1968	..	For 180 minutes (Treasury 72 minutes and Opposition including 19 minutes by a member of Samyukta Socialist Party, 108 minutes)

The total time taken by the Treasury Benches was 152 minutes, by Opposition 185 minutes and by a member of the Samyukta Socialist Party 19 minutes. The total number of members who participated in the discussion was 13,7 from the Treasury Benches including the Minister for Industries, 6 from the Opposition Benches and one member of the Samyukta Socialist Party).

(iii) Demands for grants. There were in all 51 demands totalling a sum of Rs. 2,87,70,93,070.

The various stages of the Budget could not be completed as the House was adjourned by the Speaker for two months on the 7th March, 1968.

LEGISLATION

The Sabha transacted legislative business on the 6th March, 1968.

It passed two Bills as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad (*See* Table I).

There was one original official Bill, namely The Land Acquisition (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1968, which was introduced on 6th March, 1968 is pending with the Vidhan Sabha.

Five Bills which originated in and were passed by the Vidhan Parishad, and were received for the concurrence of the Vidhan Sabha during its November, December Session, 1967, are pending in the Vidhan Sabha (*See* Table II).

One non-Official Bill namely the Punjab Official Language Bill, 1967, by Sardar Sikandar Singh, M.L.A. which was introduced on 7th December, 1967, is also pending with the Vidhan Sabha.

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TABLE I

BILLS ORIGINATING IN AND RECEIVED FROM THE PARISHAD FOR CONCURRENCE OF THE VIDHAN SABHA

Sr. No.	Title of the Bill	Date of receipt	Date of consideration	Date of passing
1.	The Punjab Security of Land Tenures (Amendment) Bill, 1967	7-12-67	6-3-68	6-3-68
2.	The Pepsu Tenancy and Agricultural Lands Amendment Bill, 1967	8-12-67	6-3-68	6-3-68

TABLE II

BILLS ORIGINATING IN AND RECEIVED FROM THE PARISHAD FOR CONCURRENCE OF THE VIDHAN SABHA-ENDING WITH THE VIDHAN SABHA.

Sr. No.	Title of the Bill	Date of receipt
1.	The Northern India Canal and Drainage (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1967	5-12-67
2.	The Punjab Public Premises and Land (Eviction and Rent Recovery) Amendment Bill, 1967	5-12-67
3.	The Punjab Courts (Amendment) Bill, 1967.	6-12-67
4.	The Punjab Gram Panchayat (Amendment) Bill, 1967	7-12-67
5.	The Punjab Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads (Amendment) Bill, 1967	7-12-67

SYNOPSIS OF BILLS

1. The Punjab Security of Land Tenures (Amendment) Bill, 1967.

(Received on 7th December, 1967, passed on 6th March, 1968)

This Bill amends the principal Act so as to make the exemption specified in Section 19-D thereof also applicable to lands granted for gallantry to members of the Armed Forces before the formation of the

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Union of India and to clarify that this exemption also covers the cases of lands granted for gallantry to the members of erstwhile Indian States Forces. It also brings uniformity in the two tenancy laws in certain matters.

2. The Pepsu Tenancy and Agricultural Lands (Amendment) Bill, 1967 (Received on 8th December, 1968, passed on 6th March, 1968).

This Bill amends the principal Act so as to make the exemption specified in Section 51(1)(d) thereof also applicable to lands granted for gallantry to Members of the Armed Forces before the formation of the Union of India and to clarify that this exemption also covers the cases of lands granted for gallantry to members of the erstwhile Indian States Forces.

NON-OFFICIAL RESOLUTIONS.

1.	Number of Notices received	Treasury Benches	112	153
		Opposition Benches	41	
2.	Number admitted	Treasury Benches	61	
		Opposition Benches	27	
3.	Number disallowed	Treasury Benches	12	
		Opposition Benches	9	
4.	Number referred back	Treasury Benches	1	
		Opposition Benches	Nil	
5.	Number renewed	Treasury Benches	2	
		Opposition Benches	Nil	
6.	Number of Resolutions not dealt with because of the decision that not more than one resolution of a Member shall be admitted for one non-official day	Treasury Benches	43	
		Opposition Benches	Nil	
7.	Total number of resolutions for Ballot	Treasury Benches	61	
		Opposition Benches	27	
8.	Number of Ballots held	Two		
9.	Dates on which ballot held	24th February, 1968, 1st March, 1968.		
10.	Dates on which business other than Government business transacted.	Nil.		

CENSURE MOTIONS

1. Notice of a censure motion against Sardar Sardar Singh Kohli Deputy Minister, for his misconduct towards the public at Khanna on

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the 26th January, 1968, resulting in brutal lathi charge on the people by the police was received from Sarvshri Gurnam Singh, Satya Pal Dang, Rajinder Singh 'Sparrow', Baldev Parkash and Dalip Singh Tapiala on 22nd February, 1968.

The leave to move the motion was granted by the House on the 27th February, 1968 and the motion was discussed in the House on the 6th March. 1968.

The motion was put to the vote of the House on the 6th March, 1968, and was lost.

2. A notice of a Censure Motion against the undue interference by Sardar Sardar Singh Kohli, Deputy Minister, in the affairs of Municipal Committees in the State was received from Shri A. Vishwanathan on the 4th March, 1968.

The Deputy Speaker observed on the 4th March. 1968 that a Censure Motion had already been admitted (mentioned at No. 1 above) against the Deputy Minister and this matter could also be referred to while discussing that motion.

NO-CONFIDENCE MOTION AGAINST THE SPEAKER

Two notices of motions expressing lack of confidence in the Speaker for his failure to maintain the dignity and decorum in the House and for his failure to get his orders implemented were received under rule 11 of the Rules of Procedure and Article 179(c) of the Constitution on the 6th March, 1968, from Sarvshri Prabodh Chandra, Darshan Singh and Sarvshri Kirpal Singh, Rattan Singh, Narinder Singh, Minister for State for Public Works and Giani Bakhtawar Singh. Leave to move the motion was granted by the House the same day.

On the 7th March, 1968, the Speaker held that these notices of motions of no-confidence against the Speaker were unconstitutional being violative of the provisions of article 179 (c) of the Constitution and the motions were, therefore, deemed to be not having been moved at all.

NAMING OF MEMBER (S)

Sr.No.	Date	Member named	Occasion
1.	6.3.68	Shri A. Vishwanathan	The Member was named for persistently raising Points of Order in order to obstruct the proceedings of the House. He was asked to withdraw from the House but he declined to obey the order. The Hon. Speaker after naming the Member, sent the Marshal to get his order implemented. At this Dr. Baldev Parkash, Leader of the Jan Sangh group to whom Shri A. Vishwanathan also belonged held out an assurance to the Speaker on behalf of the Member for his good behaviour and also assured that no Point of Order would be raised by him just for obstructing the proceedings of the House. The Speaker accepted the assurance and called back the Marshal.

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SUSPENSION OF A MEMBER FROM THE SERVICE OF THE HOUSE

Date	Member who was suspended	Occasion
27.2.68	Jathedar Dasondha Singh	An adjournment motion had been moved by a Member of the Opposition about the strike by the Transport Workers in Punjab. The Speaker disallowed the motion at which all the hon. Members of the Opposition staged a walk-out. While withdrawing from the House during the protest walk-out, Jathedar Dasondha Singh made certain disparaging remarks against the Government. At this, on a resolution moved by the Chief Minister, the Speaker suspended the Member from the service of the House for seven days. But when Jathedar Dasondha Singh returned to the House alongwith the Members of the Opposition, Members from the Treasury Benches demanded the withdrawal of the Member in implementation of the order of the House. The Members of the Opposition pleaded with the Speaker to revise his decision as the punishment inflicted was two severe. After a prolonged discussion and a short adjournment of the Sabha for consultation, the House accepted the regret of the hon. Member as also the assurance of the Opposition for good behaviour and on a motion by the Chief Minister rescinded the earlier resolution suspending Jathedar Dasondha Singh.

PAPERS PRESENTED/LAID

The following papers were presented to/laid before the Sabha :—

Sr. No.	By whom presented/ laid	Date on which presented/laid	Subject
1	2	3	4
	Speaker	23rd February, 1968	Governor's Address under rule 18 of the Rules of

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1	2	3	4
			Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly.
2.	Chief Minister	27th February 1968	The amendments/Additions (five Notifications) made by the Governor in the Punjab Public Service Commission (Limitation of functions) Regulations, 1955, and Corrigendum dated the 21st November' 1967, as required under Article 320 (5) of the Constitution.
3.	Chief Minister	27th February, 1968	The Second Annual Report and Accounts of the Land Development and Seed Corporation Limited, for the period from 1st June, 1966 to 31st May, 1967, as required under Section 619 A(3) of the Companies Act, 1956.
4.	Chief Minister	28th February, 1968	Eight Notifications issued under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1939, as required under section 133 ibid (Relaid/laid).
5.	Secretary	28th February, 1968	Statement showing the Bills which had been passed by the Punjab State Legislature during November-December Session, 1967 and assented to by the President/Governor.
6.	Finance Minister	1st March. 1968	The Budget for the year 1968-69.
7.	Chief Minister	4th March, 1968	Amendments (two Notifications) made by the Governor in the Punjab Public Service Commission (Limitation of Functions) Regulations, 1955 and Corrigendum dated the 9th February, 1968, as required under Article 320(5) of the Constitution.
8.	Finance Minister	6th March, 1968	The Supplementary Estimates (Second instalment) for the year 1967-68.

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REPORTS PRESENTED/LAID

FINANCIAL COMMITTEES

By whom presented	Date on which presented/ laid	Subject
1. Lieut. Bhag Singh, M.L.A. Member, Estimates Committee	6th March, 1968	Report of the Estimates Committee on the Supplementary Estimates 1967-68 (2nd Instalment)
2. Acharya, Prithvi Singh Azad, M.L.A. Member, Public Accounts Committee	6th March, 1968	Report of the Public Accounts Committee (Twenty-fifth Report) on the Appropriation Accounts of the Punjab Government for the years 1964-65 and 1965-66 and the Audit Reports, 1966 and 1967.

ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

Notices of 6 Adjournment Motions were received on different dates from different Members. All of them were disallowed. The following Motions were, however, mentioned in the House.

Sr. No.	Date when taken up.	Member(s) giving notice	Subject	Decision
1	2	3	4	5
1.	27th February 1968	Com. Satya Pal Dang	Regarding the strike of the employees of the Punjab Roadways etc.	The Speaker disallowed the motion on the ground that the matter could be raised during the discussion on the Governor's Address or during the general discussion of the Budget when am-

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1	2	3	4	5
				ple opportunities would be available to Members for discussing such matters.
2.	29th February 1968	Sh. A. Vishwanathan	Regarding the difficult position of a large number of Punjabi immigrants from Kenya, with British passports affected by the Immigration Legislation in Britain.	The Speaker ruled out the motion as the matter was not within the cognizance of the State Government but added that in view of the strong feelings of the Members, he would request the Chief Minister to write to the Government of India on the subject.
3.	4th March, 1968	Sarvshri Bhan Singh Bhaura, Jangir Singh Joga, Munsha Singh.	Regarding merciless beating of Chaudhri Rup Lal, Chairman Samyukta Socialist Party by the Police in the judicial lock-up at Moga.	The Speaker disallowed the motion on the ground that this concerned ordinary administration of law.
4.	6th March, 1968	Comrades Bhan Singh Bhaura and Satya Pal Dang.	Regarding arrests of Punjab Roadways, Workers and indiscriminate use of force and lathi charge at Amritsar on 5th March, 1968.	The Speaker observed that the information had been asked for from the Government.

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QUESTIONS OF PRIVILEGE

Sl. No.	Date	Member(s) giving notice	Subject matter	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5
1.	27th February, 1968	Sardar Mohinder Singh Gill	Regarding the news item published in the 'Statesman' dated 23rd February, 1968 distorting the fact that the Members of the United Front Opposition had staged a walk-out at the time of the Governor's Address.	The Speaker observed that he would give his ruling after consulting the Press GalleryCommittee. On 5th March, 1968 the Speaker informed the House that in view of the unqualified apology tendered by the Editor of the 'Statesman', he had dropped the matter.
2.	28th February, 1968	Giani Kundan Singh Patang	Regarding his own arrest alongwith others and their illegal detention by the A.S.I., Dhuri Police Station on 18th February, 1968.	The Speaker observed that he would give his decision after making an enquiry in the matter.*
3.	Ditto	Shri Harbans Lal Khanna	Regarding the arrest, illegal detention and maltreatment of Sh. Chhajju Ram, M.L.A., on the 6th February, 1968, by the Police of Pathankot.	Ditto*
4.	Ditto	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	The Member while referring to the Question of Privilege raised during the last Session regarding the Statement made by the	The Speaker observed that the matter was still under active consideration. The Member again raised the matter

*Notices lapsed on the prorogation of the House on 11th March, 1968

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1	2	3	4	5
			Finance Minister in Jullundur in respect of the Taxation policy of the Govt. and on which the Speaker had promised to make enquiries in the matter, enquired as to where the matter stood.	on 4th March, 1968 when the Deputy Speaker informed him that the Speaker was seized of the matter.†
5.	29th February, 1968	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	Regarding the Statement by the Chief Minister about the matter relating to the strike by the Punjab Roadways employees.	The Speaker observed that the matter was still under examination. He, however, asked the Member to meet him in his Chamber and discuss the matter.*
6.	1st March, 1968	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	Regarding Police atrocities against some prominent leader at Moga.	The Speaker refused to give permission. On the insistence of another Member the Chief Minister assured to make an immediate inquiry and to make a statement on Monday, if the complaint was given in writing or if he received the Call Attention Notice from the Vidhan Sabha Secretariat.
7.	4th March, 1968	Sardar Jangir Singh Joga	Regarding the threatening behaviour of Shri Jai Inder Singh towards Pandit Mohan Lal, a Member of the Privileges Committee.	The Deputy Speaker postponed his decision but referred it to the Chairman of the Committee of Privileges to make a report in consultation with the Committee or otherwise.†
8.		Shri Manmohan Kalia	Ditto	†

*Notice lapsed on the prorogation of the House.
†Notices lapsed on the dissolution of the House.

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1	2	3	4	5
9.		Sarvshri Harbans Lal Khanna and Chhajuj Ram.	Regarding the threatening behaviour of Shri Jai Inder Singh towards Pandit Mohan Lal, a member of the Privileges Committee.	The Deputy Speaker postponed his decision but referred it to the Chairman of the Committee of Privileges to make a report in consulation with the Committe or otherwise.†
10.		Shri A. Vishwa-Nathan	Ditto	†
11.	4th March, 1968	Sardar Gurnam Singh and Dr. Baldev Parkash.	Regarding a wrong statement made by the C.M. in the House that there had been no lathi charge in the State	The Deputy Speaker observed that it would be taken up on the 5th March. On the 5th March, the Speaker observed that he would give his decision after ascertaining the facts from the Chief Minister.*

OTHER MOTIONS

Sr. No.	Minister/Member moving	Moved on	Discussed on	Subject matter	Decision/-Remarks
1.	Chief Minister	28.2.68	28.2.68	Suspension of Rule 30 and the transaction of Government business on 29.2.68.	Carried
2.	Shri Prabodh Chandra	27.2.68	27.2.68 28.2.68 and 29.2.68	Motion of thanks for the Address delivered by the Governor on the 22nd February, 1968.	Carried

CALL ATTENTION NOTICES UNDER RULE 73

In all 41 notices calling attention to matters of public importance were received. Only 10 notices were admitted as detailed below in the Serial order in which they were received. The rest were disallowed by the Hon. Speaker in his Chamber on one ground or the other.

†Notices lapsed on the dissolution of the House.
*Notice lapsed on the prorogation of the House.

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Sr. No.	Call Attention Notice No.	Member/Members Calling Attenlion	Date	Subject matter	Remarks
1.	1	Shri A. Vishwanathan	27.2.68	Arrest of Shri A. Vishwanathan & S. Jasdev Singh and manhandling of Shri Kapoor Chand Jain at Ludhiana.	Copies of the statement were received on 7th March, 1968 and sent to Members on 12th March,1968.
2.	2	Shri A. Vishwanathan	27.2.68	Policy of the Government relating to the demands of the unempolyed engineers and engineering students in the State.	The Industries Minister laid a statement on the Table on 5th March,1968
3.	10	Comrades Satyapal Dang and Bhan Singh Bhaura	Ditto	Strike of Polytechnic students of the State.	Ditto
4.	11	Ditto	Ditto	Decision of the Punjab Trade Union Congress etc. to go on strike on 1st March, 1968 due to failure of Government to enact legislation linking wages of industrial workers with the cost of living index.	The Minister of State for Public Works laid a statement on the Table on 4th March, 1968.
5.	14	Comrades Jangir Singh Joga, Phuman Singh and Munsha Singh	Ditto	Realisation of land revenue by the Government from land owners possessing land less than five standard acres in the State despite the enactment of the Punjab Land Revenue (Amendment) Act.	The Chief Minister laid a statement on the Table on 5th March, 1968.
6.	19	Comrade Satyapal Dang	27-2-68	Inconvenience caused to the	The Chief Minister

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1	2	3	4	5	6
7.	22	Comrade Satyapal Dang	27-2-68	Public due to non-availability of Kerosene Oil in the State.	laid a statement on the Table on 5th March, 1968.
		Ditto	29.2.68	Failure of the Food Corporation of India and the Punjab Government to lift large stocks of Maize rotting at various places in the State.	The Minister of State for Public Works laid a statement on the Table on 6th March, 1968.
8.	28	Shri Harbans Lal Khanna and Shri Chhajju Ram	4.3.68	Discontentment and dissatisfaction among the Government College Lecturers etc.	Copies of the Statement were received on 30th March, 1968 and sent to Members on 1st April, 1968.
9.	33	Sardar Balwant Singh	5.3.68	Indiscriminate transfers of two dozen teachers in the Kapurthala District.	Copies of the statement were received on 25th March, 1968, and sent to Members on 26th March, 1968.
10.	35	Comrade Satyapal Dang	6.3.68	Decision of the Union of the Irrigation Booking Clerks(Nehri Patwaris) to go on pen down strike.	Copies of the statement were received on 29th May, 1968 and sent to Members on 3rdJune,1968

Comparative Statement of Speeches made and time taken thereon

(February-March Session, 1968)

Number of Speeches made by			Time taken by		
Treasury Benches			Treasury Benches		
Members (Excluding Ministers)	Ministers	Members of Opposition/ Opposition Groups	Members (Excluding Ministers)	Ministers	Members of Opposition Groups
			H.M.	H.M,	H.M.
20	7	21	4-33	4-02	8-01
41.66 per cent	14.59 per cent	43.75 per cent	27.4 per cent	24.3 per cent	48.3 per cent

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Notes—

(1) Observations/Statements/Rulings, etc. by the Chair and the time taken, thereon, are not included in the above statement.

(2) Question Hour has been excluded from the statement.

(3) Time taken on divisions, Adjournment Motions, Call Attention Motions, Privilege Motions etc. is also excluded from the statement.

FIGURES RELATING TO QUESTIONS

1.	Total number of sittings of the Sabha ..	9
2.	Number of questions (Starred and Unstarred) received	507
3.	Number of Short Notice Questions received ..	7
4.	Total number of sittings at which the question hour was dispensed with ..	1
5.	Number of Members from whom notices were received	38
6.	Total number of questions to which oral answers were given ..	86
7.	Largest number of questions orally answered on any one day ..	18
8.	Least number of questions orally answered on any one day ..	5
9.	Total number of starred questions converted into unstarred questions ..	37
10.	Total number of unstarred questions replied to ..	22
11.	Largest number of questions addressed to any one Minister (Chief Minister) ..	79
12.	Largest number of questions orally answered by any one Minister (Chief Minister) ..	32
13.	Total number of statements in replies to questions supplied to the Members concerned ..	30

No Question could be asked on the 7th March, 1968.

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QUESTIONS

The Question Hour was dispensed with on the 23rd February, 1968.
There was no Question Hour on the 7th March, 1968.

STATEMENT

Questions	Number of notices received	Number admitted	Number dis-allowed	Number not put	Number answered	Number deemed to have been answered under Rule 45	Number of supple-mentaries put	Remarks
Starred	456 (including 2 renewed questions)	331 (including 2 renewed questions)	125	13	86 (Treasury—22 Opposition—64	84 (Treasury—26 Opposition—58	314	1. 111 Starred Questions could not be included in any list of questions 2. 37 Starred Questions were converted into Unstarred Questions and included in the Supplementary List of Unstarred Questions (converted as such from being Starred) for the 7th March, 1968.
Unstarred	51	36	15	—	22 Treasury—3 Opposition—19	—	—	14 Unstarred Questions could not be included in any list of questions
Short Notice	7	—	4	—	—	—	—	3 Short Notice Questions were referred back to the Members concerned but no reply in respect thereof was received from them till the end of the Session.

Statement showing the number of Starred Questions answered date-wise

Date	Treasury	Opposition	Total
27th February, 1968	1	14	15
28th February, 1968	1	8	9
29th February, 1968	2	3	5
1st March, 1968	—	8	8
4th March, 1968	6	9	15
5th March, 1968	4	12	16
6th March, 1968	8	10	18
Total	22	64	86
7th March, 1968	26	58	*84
Grand Total	48	122	170

*Deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.

Note :—The Question Hour was dispensed with on the 23rd February, 1968.

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Statement showing the number of Starred Questions

Date	Chief Minister	Health Minister	Trans-port Minister	Industries Minister	Finance Minister	Excise and Taxation Minister
23rd February, 1968	11	1	1	1	1	2
27th February, 1968	12	2	2	1	—	—
28th February, 1968	7	3	2	1	1	—
29th February, 1968	12	—	1	—	—	—
1st March, 1968	13	2	—	1	—	—
4th March, 1968	14	1	1	—	—	1
5th March, 1968	7	1	—	2	—	—
6th March, 1968	3	3	—	—	—	—
7th March, 1968	—	1	3	1	—	—
Total	79	14	10	7	2	3

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in the names of different Ministers date-wise

Local Government Minister	Labour and Welfare Minister	Co-operation and Parliamentary Affairs Minister	Minister of State for Irrigation and Power	Minister of State for Agriculture and Food and Supplies	Minister of State for Public Works	Minister of State for Printing and Stationery and Rehabilitation	Total
1	2	2	1	2	—	—	25
1	—	1	—	1	5	—	25
—	—	—	5	—	6	—	25
1	1	3	2	1	4	—	25
1	1	1	—	3	2	1	25
—	1	1	4	—	2	—	25
—	2	—	—	—	2	—	14
2	—	1	1	—	1	—	11
2	—	—	—	—	1	—	8
8	7	9	13	7	23	1	183

Notes: 1. The Question Hour was dispensed with on the 3rd February, 1968.

2. No Questions could be asked on the 7th March, 1968.

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WALK-OUT(s)

Sl. No.	Date	Members walking out	Occasion
1.	27th February, 1968	Members of the Opposition	When the Speaker refused to admit the adjournment motion on the repressive policy of the Government against the striking employees of the Punjab Roadways.
2.	27th February, 1968	Captain Rattan Singh	As a protest against the Speaker not implementing his order for suspending Jathedar Dasondha Singh before allowing the resolution of suspension being rescinded by the House.
3.	29th February, 1968	Members of the Opposition	As a protest against the refusal of the Speaker to give more time to the Leader of the Opposition.
4.	1st March, 1968	Members of the Opposition	When the Chair refused to allow two Members of the Opposition to raise Points of Order during the speech of the Finance Minister.
5.	6th March, 1968	Giani Bakhtawar Singh Rai	Twice staged a walk-out as a protest against time not being given by the Speaker for giving personal explanation.

DIVISIONS

Sl. No.	Date	Recorded/ Not recorded	Occasion	Result
1.	6th March, 1968	Recorded Ayes....24 Noes....47	On an amendment to clause 2 of the Punjab Security of Land Tenures (Amendment (Bill, 1967.	The amendment was lost

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XI. Discussion on Governor's Address:

Shri Prabodh Chandra while moving the motion :—

That an Address be presented to the Governor in the following terms :—

> "That the Members of the Vidhan Sabha assembled together in this Session are deeply grateful to the Governor for the Address which he has been pleased to deliver to both the Houses of the State Legislature together on the 22nd February, 1968"

spoke for 18 minutes.

He was still in possession of the House, when it adjourned.

The Sabha then adjourned till 9.00 a.m. on Wednesday, the 28th February, 1968.

Wednesday, the 28th February, 1968

(From 9.00 to 1.30 p.m.)

I. Questions:

(*a*) *Starred—*

Asking of questions began with Starred Question No. 838 entered at page 6 of list of Starred Questions for the 23rd February, 1968 to be followed by lists of Starred Questions for the 28th and 29th February, 1968.

Total number of Questions on the Order paper	Answered	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries asked
55	9	..	33

Remaining questions were carried over to the next day.

(*b*) *Unstarred* :—Nil.

II. Point of Order:

Shri Balram Ji Dass Tandon rising on a Point of Order suggested that the previous practice under rule 45 of the Rules of Procedure be adopted whereby questions placed on the list of Questions for oral answer for any day, if not called for answer within the time available for answering questions on that day, were deemed to have been answered. A few members including the Chief Minister made observations in favour of this practice.

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The Speaker said that he would have no objection if the House wanted to revert to this practice. This could be done through the Rules Committee. The House, however, deferred the final decision in this matter.

III. Questions of Privilege:

(i) On the Question of Privilege sought to be raised by Giani Kundan Singh Patang regarding his own arrest along with others and their illegal detention by the A.S.I. Dhuri Police Station on 18th February, 1968 etc., the Speaker observed that he would give his decision after making an enquiry.

(ii) On the Question of Privilege sought to be raised by Shri Harbans Lal Khanna regarding the arrest, illegal detention and mal-treatment of Shri Chhajoo Ram, M.L.A., on the 6th February, 1968 by the Police of Pathankot, the Speaker observed that he would give his decision after making necessary enquiries in the matter.

(iii) Comrade Satya Pal Dang while referring to the Question of Privilege raised during the last Session regarding the statement made by the Finance Minister in Jullundur in respect of new Taxation Policy of the Government and on which the Speaker had promised to make enquiries in the matter, enquired as to where the matter stood. The Speaker observed that the matter was still under active consideration.

IV. Motion Under Rule 30:

The motion moved by the Chief Minister—

That Rule 30 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly be suspended and Government business be transacted on Thursday, the 29th February 1968, was carried after Chaudhri Balbir Singh had made a few observations against it.

V. Papers Laid on the Table:

By the Chief Minister—

Relaying/laying of 8 Notifications issued under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1939, as required under section 133 *ibid.*

VI. Announcement:

By the secretary—

Statement showing the Bills which had been passed by the Punjab State Lagislature during the November-December, Session, 1967 and assented to by the Governor.

VII. Resumption of Discussion on Governor's Address:

Shri Prabodh Chandra, a Member of the Treasury Benches who was in possession of the House when it adjourned on the 27th February,

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1968, resumed his speech on the motion of thanks and spoke for 23 minutes.

Sardar Amar Singh Dosanjh, seconded the motion with a speech lasting for 23 minutes.

All the amendments given notice of to this motion were deemed to have been read and moved.

Four Members from the Opposition and three from the Treasury Benches took part in the debate speaking for 90 and 46 minutes, respectively.

Comrade Sat Pal Kapoor, a member from the Treasury Benches who had spoken for four minutes was still in possession of the House, when it adjourned.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 10.12 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.

The Sabha then adjourned till 9.30 a.m. on Thursday, the 29th February, 1968.

Thursday, the 29th February, 1968

(From 9.30 a.m. to 2.05 p.m.)

I Questions

(*a*) *Starred*:

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Number of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries put.
70	5	1	27

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(*b*) *Unstarred*: Nil.

II. Question of privilege:

In regard to the question of privilege sought to be raised by Com. Satya Pal Dang against the Chief Minister, the Speaker observed that

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the matter was still under examination. He, however, asked the member to meet him in his Chamber to discuss the matter.

III. Adjournment Motion :

In regard to the Adjournment Motion given notice of by Shri A. Vishwanathan regarding difficult position of a large number of Punjabi immigrants from Kenya with British passports to be affected by the Immigration Legislation in Britain, the Speaker informed the Member that he had ruled the motion out of order as the matter was not within the cognizance of the Government. But in view of the strong feelings of the Members, he would request the Chief Minister to write to the Government of India.

IV. Call-Attention Notice:

S. Gurcharan Singh referred to his Call-Attention Notice No. 24. The Speaker observed that it had been disallowed as already intimated to him.

Call-Attention Notice No. 22 given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang regarding failure of the Food Corporation of India and the Punjab Government to lift large stocks of Maize rotting at various places, in the State, was admitted. The Speaker asked the Minister concerned to make a statement.

V. Resumption of Discussion on Governor's Address:

Comrade Sat Pal Kapur, a Member of the Treasury Benches, who was in possession of the House when it adjourned on the 28th February, 1968, resuming his speech on the Motion of Thanks spoke for 15 minutes.

Three Members from the Opposition, one Member of the Samyukta Socialist Party and one Member from the Treasury Benches took part in the discussion speaking for 74, 13 and 11 minutes, respectively.

The Minister for Parliamentary Affairs spoke for 21 minutes and the Chief Minister for 40 minutes by way of reply to the debate.

VI. Walk-out:

Before the commencement of the speech by the Chief Minister, the whole Opposition staged a walk-out as a protest against the refusal of the Speaker to give more time to the Leader of the Opposition.

VII. Extension of Time:

The Speaker extended the sitting of the House till the business was disposed of.

Amendments from 1 to 3, 4 to 8 and 9 to 16 were put to the vote of the House and lost.

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was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 11.09 a.m. to 12.35 p.m.

The Sabha then adjourned till 9.00 a.m. on Friday, the 1st March, 1968.

Friday, the 1st March, 1968

(From 9.00 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.)

I. Questions:

(*a*) *Starred*—

Asking of Questions began with Starred Question No. 885 appearing at page 3 of the list of Starred Questions for the 27th February, 1968 to be followed by the lists of Starred Questions for the 28th, 29th February and the 1st March, 1968.

Number of Questions Answered on the Order Paper	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries asked
90	8	—	19

The remaining Questions were carried over to the next meeting of the Sabha.

(*b*) *Unstarred* : Nil

II. Questions of Privilege/Call-Attention Notices:

The Speaker informed the Members that according to the practice of the House no Privilege or other Motion can be taken up on the date when Budget Estimates are to be presented to the House.

Comrade Satya Pal Dang sought to raise a Question of Privilege and Dr. Baldev Parkash wanted to refer to a Call-Attention Notice regarding Police atrocities against some prominent Leader at Moga. The Speaker refused to give permission but Dr. Baldev Parkash insisted upon an assurance being given by the Chief Minister for making an immediate enquiry into the happenings and making a statement on Monday. The Chief Minister agreed to do so on receipt of the complaint in writing from the hon. Member himself or on receipt of the Call-Attention Notice from the Sabha Secretariat.

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III. Presentation of Budget Estimates for the year 1968-69

The Finance Minister presented the Budget Estimates for the year 1968-69.

IV. Walk-Out :

Dr. Baldev Parkash and Sardar Gurcharan Singh, wanted to raise points of order during the speech of the Finance Minister but were not permitted. At this the whole Opposition staged a walk-out.

The Sabha then adjourned till 2.00 p.m. on Monday, the 4th March, 1968.

Monday, the 4th March, 1968

(From 2.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m)

I. Questions.

(a) Starred—

Asking of Questions began with Starred Question No. 886 printed at page 5 of the list of Starred Questions for the 27th February, 1968 to be followed by the lists for the 28th, 29th February, 1st March, and 4th March,1968.

Total number on the Order Paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	Number. of Supplementaries asked
107	14	1	3	61

Remaining Questions were carried over to the next day.

(b) Unstarred:— 4.

II. Privilege Motions :

(1) Regarding Notices of Privilege Motions Nos. 5, 6, 7 and 8 received from Comrade Jangir Singh Joga, Shri Man Mohan Kalia, Shri Harbans Lal Khanna, Shri Chhaju Ram and Shri A. Vishwanathan which related to a matter which was under consideration of the Committee of Privileges and regarding which the report had not yet been finalised, the hon. Deputy Speaker postponed his decision but referred it to the Chairman of the Committee of Privileges to make a report in consultation with the Committee or otherwise about the position of the matter.

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(2) Comrade Satya Pal Dang referred to his Privilege Motion against the statement made by the Finance Minister in Jullundur which was still pending. The Deputy Speaker observed that the Speaker was seized of the matter.

(3) Sardar Gurnam Singh and Dr. Baldev Parkash enquired about their notice of a motion against the Chief Minister for his making a wrong statement in the House. The Deputy Speaker observed that it would be taken up on the 5th March.

III. Adjournment motion:

Adjournment Motion given notice of by Sarvshri Bhan Singh Bhaura, Jangir Singh Joga, Munsha Singh regarding merciless beating of Chaudhri Rup Lal, Chairman, Samyukta Socialist Party by the Police in the judicial lock-up at Moga etc., was disallowed on the ground that this was concerned with ordinary administration of law.

IV. Call-Attention Notices :

On the Call-Attention Notice (No. 28) given by Sarvshri Harbans Lal Khanna and Chhaju Ram regarding discontentment and dissatisfaction among the Government College Lecturers, etc., was admitted and the Deputy Speaker asked the Minister concerned to make a statement.

Dr. Baldev Parkash rising on a Point of Order pressed that the Call-Attention Notice regarding merciless beating of Chaudhri Rup Lal, by Police be admitted and the Chief Minister asked to make a statement. There were precedents when any matter which could not be the subject of an adjournment motion, was admitted when converted into a Call-Attention Notice, The Deputy Speaker observed that he would look into the matter.

V. Censure Motion :

Regarding the censure motion given notice of by Shri A. Vishwanathan against Sardar Sardar Singh Kohli, Deputy Minister, for undue interference in the affairs of the Municipal Committees in the State etc., the Deputy Speaker observed that a Censure Motion had already been admitted against the Deputy Minister and this matter could also be referred to while discussing that motion.

VI. Papers Laid on the Table :

(*a*) *By the Chief Minister—*

Amendments (Two Notifications) made by the Governor in the Punjab Public Service Commission (Limitation of Functions) Regulations, 1955 and Corrigendum dated the 9th February, 1968 as required under Article 320 (5) of the Constitution.

(*b*) *By the Minister of State for Public Works* :—

Statement by the Minister for Labour on the Call Attention Notice No. (11) given by Comrades Satya Pal Dang and Bhan Singh Bhaura.

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VII. General Discussion on the Budget :

One Member from the Opposition and one from the Treasury Benches took part in the discussion and spoke for 64 and 37 minutes, respectively.

The Minister for Industries spoke for 43 minutes.

Shri A. Vishwanathan, a member from the Opposition who had spoken for 32 minutes was still in possession of the House when it adjourned.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 2.10 p.m. to 4.27 p.m and from 5.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. and Pandit Mohan Lal, a member of the Panel of Chairmen, from 4.27 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.

The Sabha then adjourned till 2.00 p.m. on Tuesday, the 5th March, 1968.

Tuesday, the 6th March, 1968

(From 2.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.)

I. Questions.

(a) *Starred*

Asking of Questions began with the Starred Question No. 934 appearing at page 4 of the list of Starred Questions for the 28th February, 1968 to be followed by the lists for the 29th February, 1st, 4th and 5th March, 1968.

Total Number of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of supplementaries asked.
102	17	1	3	54

Remaining Questions were carried over to the next day.

(b) *Unstarred* : Nil.

II. Questions of Privilege :

(i) On the Privilege Motion sought to be raised by Sardar Gurnam Singh and Dr. Baldev Parkash regarding wrong statement made by the Chief Minister in the House, the Speaker observed that he would give his decision after ascertaining the facts from the Chief Minister.

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XI. Discussion on Governor's Address:

Shri Prabodh Chandra while moving the motion :—

That an Address be presented to the Governor in the following terms :—

> "That the Members of the Vidhan Sabha assembled together in this Session are deeply grateful to the Governor for the Address which he has been pleased to deliver to both the Houses of the State Legislature together on the 22nd February, 1968"

spoke for 18 minutes.

He was still in possession of the House, when it adjourned.

The Sabha then adjourned till 9.00 a.m. on Wednesday, the 28th February, 1968.

Wednesday, the 28th February, 1968

(From 9.00 to 1.30 p.m.)

I. Questions:

(*a*) *Starred*—

Asking of questions began with Starred Question No. 838 entered at page 6 of list of Starred Questions for the 23rd February, 1968 to be followed by lists of Starred Questions for the 28th and 29th February, 1968.

Total number of Questions on the Order paper	Answered	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries asked
55	9	...	33

Remaining questions were carried over to the next day.

(*b*) *Unstarred* :—Nil.

II. Point of Order:

Shri Balram Ji Dass Tandon rising on a Point of Order suggested that the previous practice under rule 45 of the Rules of Procedure be adopted whereby questions placed on the list of Questions for oral answer for any day, if not called for answer within the time available for answering questions on that day, were deemed to have been answered. A few members including the Chief Minister made observations in favour of this practice.

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The Speaker said that he would have no objection if the House wanted to revert to this practice. This could be done through the Rules Committee. The House, however, deferred the final decision in this matter.

III. Questions of Privilege:

(i) On the Question of Privilege sought to be raised by Giani Kundan Singh Patang regarding his own arrest along with others and their illegal detention by the A.S.I. Dhuri Police Station on 18th February, 1968 etc., the Speaker observed that he would give his decision after making an enquiry.

(ii) On the Question of Privilege sought to be raised by Shri Harbans Lal Khanna regarding the arrest, illegal detention and mal-treatment of Shri Chhajoo Ram, M.L.A., on the 6th February, 1968 by the Police of Pathankot, the Speaker observed that he would give his decision after making necessary enquiries in the matter.

(iii) Comrade Satya Pal Dang while referring to the Question of Privilege raised during the last Session regarding the statement made by the Finance Minister in Jullundur in respect of new Taxation Policy of the Government and on which the Speaker had promised to make enquiries in the matter, enquired as to where the matter stood. The Speaker observed that the matter was still under active consideration.

IV. Motion Under Rule 30:

The motion moved by the Chief Minister—

That Rule 30 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly be suspended and Government business be transacted on Thursday, the 29th February 1968, was carried after Chaudhri Balbir Singh had made a few observations against it.

V. Papers Laid on the Table:

By the Chief Minister—

Relaying/laying of 8 Notifications issued under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1939, as required under section 133 *ibid.*

VI. Announcement:

By the secretary—

Statement showing the Bills which had been passed by the Punjab State Lagislature during the November-December, Session, 1967 and assented to by the Governor.

VII. Resumption of Discussion on Governor's Address:

Shri Prabodh Chandra, a Member of the Treasury Benches who was in possession of the House when it adjourned on the 27th February,

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Friday, the 1st March, 1968

(From 9.00 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.)

I. Questions:

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Monday, the 4th March, 1968

(From 2.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m)

I. Questions.

(*a*) *Starred*—

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Statement by the Minister for Labour on the Call Attention Notice No. (11) given by Comrades Satya Pal Dang and Bhan Singh Bhaura.

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Tuesday, the 6th March, 1968

(From 2.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.)

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STATEMENT NO. VII—concld.

Statement showing Alteration in the Fixed Land Revenue Demand for the year ending Rabi 1967.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Patiala													
	8. Patiala ..	11,84,877	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,300
	9. Bhatinda ..	16,46,770	100	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	108	1,420
	10. Sangrur ..	26,44,281	233	—	—	—	—	—	—	3,669	—	3,902	53,218
	11. Rupar ..	7,04,614	—	—	482	—	—	—	—	—	—	482	—
	Total Patiala Division	61,80,542	333	—	482	—	—	—	—	3,669	8	4,492	56,938
	Total State	1,77,79,126	7,159	—	4,863	—	1,782	—	—	3,669	3,273	20,746	1,56,978

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Notes: 1. As the fixed land revenue demand cannot be altered, should be taken that the increases and decreases shown
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		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Patiala											
	8. Patiala ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,300	11,82,577
	9. Bhatinda ..	—	—	—	2,807	—	—	—	—	4,227	16,42,651
	10. Sangrur ..	—	—	2,205	—	—	—	910	—	56,333	25,91,850
	11. Rupar ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7,05,096
	Total Patiala Division ..	—	—	2,205	2,807	—	—	910	—	62,860	61,22,174
	Total State :	—	—	2,343	5,360	—	3,15,159	910	5,510	4,86,260	1,73,13,612

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DEPUTY COMMISSIONER

STATEMENT No. VIII

Statement of collections and balances of Fluctuating and other Land Revenue during the year ending Rabi, 1967

Fluctuating sources of Land Revenue

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STATEMENT

Statement of collections and balances of Fluctuating and other

Fluctuating sources

Division	District	Temporarily Excluded from fixed land Revenve roll	Permanently excluded from Fluctuating Assessment of Canal Irrigated Land				
		Total	Collections from estates held under direct management	Land Revenue and malikana assessed by Deptuy Commissioner	Land Revenue and malikana assessed by Irrigation Department	Water advantage rate assessed by Irrigation Department	Total of columns 5, 6 and 7
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Jullundur	1. Hoshiarpur	6,265	—	—	—	85,285	85,285
	2. Jullundur	2,821	—	—	—	4,47,061	14,47061
	3. Ludhiana	7,390	—	—	—	—	—
	4. Ferozepore	1,411	—	—	8,462	—	8,462
	5. Amritsar	454	—	—	—	—	—
	6. Gurdaspur	6,013	—	—	—	—	—
	7. Kapurthala	1,172	—	—	—	—	—
	Total Jullundur Division	25,526	—	—	8,462	5,32,346	5,40,808
Patiala	1. Patiala	—	—	—	—	93	93
	2. Bhatinda	263	—	—	—	—	—
	3. Sangrur	1,540	—	—	—	—	—
	4. Rupar	1,100	—	—	—	4,264	4,264
	Total Patiala Division	2,903	—	—	—	4,357	4.357
	Total State	28,429	—	—	8,462	53,67,603	5,45,165

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No. VIII

Land Revenue during the year ending Rabi, 1967

of Land Revenue

FIXED LAND REVENUE ROLL

Fluctuating Assessment of other lands

Land Revenue and malikana assessed by Deputy Commissioner	Land Revenue and malikana assessed by Irrigation Department	Revenue on building sites in colony towns	Total of columns 9, 10 and 11	Other items	Total of columns 8, 12 and 13	Total of columns 3 and 14
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
—	—	—	—	—	85,285	91,550
—	—	—	—	—	4,47,061	4,49,882
—	—	—	—	—	—	7,390
12,364	—	—	12,364	—	20,826	22,237
1,781	—	—	1,781	—	1,781	22,235
14,811	—	—	14,811	—	14,811	20,824
—	—	—	—	—	—	1,172
28,956	—	—	28,956	—	5,69,764	5,95,290
—	—	—	—	—	93	93
—	—	—	—	—	—	263
19,824	—	—	19,824	—	19,824	21,364
—	—	—	—	—	4,264	5,364
19,824	—	—	19,824	—	24,181	27,084
48,780	—	—	48,780	—	5,93,945	6,22,374

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STATEMENT

Statement of collection and balances of Fluctuating and other

Fluctuating sources

Division	District	Temporarily Excluded from Fixed Land	Permanently Excluded From	
			Balance of Fluctuating Land Revenue	
		Of the year under report	Of previous years.	Total
1	2	16	17	18
Jullundur	1. Hoshiarpur	1,434	3,963	5,397
	2. Jullundur	17,483	88,137	1,05,620
	3. Ludhiana	931	87	1,018
	4. Ferozepur	696	10,297	10,993
	5. Amritsar	2,631	27,591	30,222
	6. Gurdaspur	2,851	9,697	12,548
	7. Kapurthala	459	7,489	7,948
	Total Jullundur Division	26,485	14,7,261	1,73,746
Patiala	1. Patiala	612	—	612
	2. Bhatinda	—	69,402	69,402
	3. Sangrur	—	27,775	27,775
	4. Ropar	163	3,438	3,601
	Total Patiala Division	775	1,00,615	1,01,390
	Total State	27,260	2,47,871	2,75,136

Note—Please see Note 2 to

Column 19—Excludes purchase of Colouny areas to be shown under XL—Extraordinary

Column 20—Excludes prhceeds of Auction Sales of Colony Lands and Nazrana to be

Column 23—Land revenue proceed of temporary cultivation in colonies should be

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Land Revenue during the year ending Rabi, 1967
of Land Revenue

FIXED LAND REVENUE ROLL

Other Land Revenue					
Sales of Government estates	Sale proceeds of waste lands including Nazrana	Recovery of cost of Settlement from assignees	Recoveries on account of average rate for canal survey and demarcations (land revenue share)	Rents of lands leased for a single year of harvest.	Tirni
19	20	21	22	23	24
—	—	—	—	997	—
—	—	—	—	3,128	—
—	—	—	—	27,516	—
—	—	—	—	52,162	
—	—	—	—	4,638	—
—	—	—	—	168	—
3,164	—	—	—	745	—
3,164	—	—	—	89,354	—
—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	1,51,179	—
—	600	—	—	32,237	—
—	—	—	—	6,587	—
—	600	—	—	1,90,003	
3,164	600	—	—	2,79,357	—

Statement No. V.
Receipts.
shown under XL—Extraordinary Receipts.
included under this head.

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STATEMENT

Statement of collections and balances of Fluctuating and other

Fluctuating sources

Division	District	Temporarily Excluded from fixed Land		Permantntly Excluded From		Total
		Hakul Tehsil	Other items.	Talbana	Receipts from management of Government estates.	
1	2	25	27	27	28	29
Jullundur	1. Hoshiarpur	66	5,79,883	1,220	—	5,82,166
	2. Jullundur	772	7,74,807	4,466	—	7,83,173
	3. Ludhiana	772	6,49,872	5,334	—	6,83,494
	4. Ferozepur	222	5,36,750	2,944	—	5,92,078
	5, Amritsar	1,471	1,50,703	2,580	—	1,59,392
	6. Gurdaspur	1,412	2,57,157	1,423	—	2,60,160
	7. Kapurthala	—	1,94,452	1,231	—	1,99,592
	Total Jullundur Division	4,715	31,43,624	19,198	—	32,60,055
Patiala	1. Patiala	2,225	7,38,202	3,545	—	7,43,972
	2. Bhatinda	87	14,38,728	1,583	—	15,91,577
	3. Sangrur	1,552	8,70,067	2,292	—	9,06,748
	4. Rupar	121	20,23,393	747	—	2,09,848
	Total Patiala Division	3,985	32,49,390	8,167	—	34,52,145
	Total State	8,700	63,93,014	27,365	—	67,12,200

Note—Please see Note 2 to Column 26—Land Revenue of buillding sites in Colony Villages should be included

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS—No. heading printed in the statement should be against "Other items" column 26 and their detail furnished. Revenue Record-room column 26 of this statement.

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Land Revenue during the year ending Rabi, 1967

of Land Revenue

FIXED LAND REVENUE ROLL

Balance of other Land Revenue			*Collections during current year on account of previous years*		
Of the year under report	Of previous years	Total	On account of fluctuting land revenue.	On account of other land revenue.	Remarks.
30	31	32	33	34	35
6,876	21,768	28,464	1,412	1,893	
72,245	2,95,996	3,68,241	5,262	13,126	
65,989	64,591	1,30,530	364	18,957	
15,66,347	1,31,961	16,98,308	892	7,585	
54,547	4,50,907	5,05,224	3,954	1,47,085	
2,33,744	3,09,500	5,43,244	2,287	98,286	
4,012	1,57,983	1,61,995	109	4,370	
20,03,760	14,32,506	34,36,266	14,381	2,91,302	
73,778	2,61,230	3,35,008	—	2,07,583	
15,434	2,27,162	2,42,596	8,135	1,11,711	
39,721	3,49,933	3,89,654	8,095	36,005	
5,566	6,149	11,715	2,655	4,251	
1,34,499	8,44,474	9,78,973	18,885	3,59,550	
21,38,259	22,76,980	44,15,239	33,266	6,50,852	

Statement No. V.

under this head.

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STATEMENT

Statement showing of Alluvion inundation during the

Division	District	Names of Rivers or streams or marshes caushing variations	Area newly assessed during the year (in acres)	Revenue Assessed	Area re-assessed at enhanced rates in acres	Additional Revenue imposed on that area	Total of columns 5 and 7
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Jullundur	Jullundur		—	—	—	—	—
	Ludhiana	Sutlej	1,536	2,076	—	—	2,076
	Ferozepur		—	—	—	—	—
	Amritsar		—	—	—	—	—
	Gurdaspur	Ravi	83	392	—	—	392
	Kapurthala	River Beas	26	105	—	—	105
	Hoshiarpur	(Beas and Sutlej)	909	1,715	—	—	1,715
	Total of Jullundur Division..		2,554	4,288	—	—	4,288
Patiala	Patiala		—	—	—	—	—
	Sangrur		—	—	—	—	—
	Bhatinda		—	—	—	—	—
	Rupar	Sutlej	487	482	—	—	482
	Total of Patiala Division..		487	482	—	—	482
	GRAND TOTAL..		3,041	4,770	—	—	4,770

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Year Rabi, 1967

Net increase (Khalsa) collected as fluctuating revenue	Area removed from assessment (in acres)	Reduction of Revenue	Area re-assessed at reduced rates (in acres)	Reduction of assessment on area shown in last column	Total of columns 11 and 13	Net decrease (Khalsa) remitted	Net increase (plus) or decrease (minus) to be added to or deducted from fixed Land Revenue Roll	REMARKS
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
2,076	7	14	—	—	14	14	+2,062	
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
392	129	545	—	—	545	545	—153	
105	—	—	—	—	—	—	+105	
1,715	112	189	—	—	189	189	+1,526	
4,288	248	748	—	—	748	748	+3,540	
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
482	—	—	—	—	—	—	+ 482	
482	—	—	—	—	—	—	+ 482	
4,770	248	748	—	—	748	748	+ 4,022	

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STATEMENT No. X

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Statement of Land Revenue Assignment for the Agriculture year ending Rabi, 1967.

1.	Total area of the State	50,230	Sq. Kilometres.
			or
		116.90	Lakh acres
2.	Total Land Revenue assessable or assessed	1,82,93,684	
3.	Total area of which Land Revenue is assigned	2,42,255	
4.	Total Land Revenue assigned	6,95,046	

Details of assigned land Revenue

	Subject	Amount Rs.	Term	Area in acres	Amount Rs.
1.	For the maintenance of public servants for services to be performed	47,256	A—In perpetuity	2,03,801	3,11,024
2.	For private benefit without any obligation of service	76,759	B—For life or lives	32,765	3,52,887
3.	For religious purposes	1,90,614	C—For term of settlement	5,689	26,135
4.	For public purposes not specifically religious	32,747		2,42,255	
5.	For individuals of meritorious services for limited number of lives	3,47,267			
6.	Other unclassed assignments.	403			
	Total	6,95,046			
7.	Percentage of item No. 4 on item No. 2	3.799			

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STATEMENT No. XI

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Coercive Process for the collection of Land Revenue
(a) Against Lambardars (b) For Lambardars

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STATEMENT NO. XI

Coercive Process for the

(a) Against Lambardars

District	Writ Section		Warants Section 69(2) issued		Executed		For Imfrisonment Section 69(3)			
							Issued		Executed	
1	2(a)	(b)	3(a)	(b)	4(a)	(b)	5(a)	(b)	6(a)	(b)
Patiala Division										
1. Bhatinda ..	210	190	116	119	93	113	11	2	11	2
2. Sangrur ..	3	249	126	738	89	588	1	12	1	12
3. Ropar ..	—	—	28	19	28	19	—	—	—	—
4. Patiala ..	—	—	14	109	14	81	—	—	—	—
Total ..	213	439	284	985	224	801	12	14	12	14
Jullundur Division										
1. Ludhiana ..	6	—	58	73	36	30	—	—	—	—
2. Jullundur ..	4	43	129	79	96	79	4	—	4	—
3. Ferozepur ..	—	2	23	97	22	79	5	—	5	—
4. Amritsar ..	9	4	391	326	297	205	9	1	9	1
5. Gurdaspur ..	—	141	204	201	150	179	2	—	2	—
6. Kapurthala ..	—	—	5	55	4	55	—	—	—	—
7. Hoshiarpur ..	—	8	23	13	23	13	—	—	—	—
Total Jullundur Division ..	19	198	833	844	628	640	20	1	20	1
Total Patiala Division ..	213	439	284	985	224	801	12	14	12	14
GRAND TOTAL ..	232	637	1,117	1,829	852	1,441	32	15	32	15

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Collection of Land Revenue

(b) For Lambardars

MOVABLE PROPERTY FOR DISTRESS SECTION 70				FOR SALE SECTION 70				FOR DIRECT MANAGEMINT ICR TRANSFER SECTIONS 71 AND 72			
Issued		Executed		Issued		Executed		Issued		Executed	
7(a)	(b)	8(a)	(b)	9(a)	(b)	10(a)	(b)	11(a)	(b)	12(a)	(b)
3	2	3	2	—	—	—	—	7	2	3	2
25	237	13	159	—	—	—	—	—	20	—	7
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1	5	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
29	244	16	164	—	—	—	—	7	22	3	9
5	7	3	5	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—
15	6	6	6	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
4	8	4	6	3	—	3	—	—	—	—	—
89	143	62	92	11	5	9	4	5	1	4	1
45	23	36	16	13	3	9	—	2	1	2	1
6	52	5	48	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2	9	2	9	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—
166	248	118	182	27	8	21	4	10	3	7	2
29	244	16	164	—	—	—	—	7	22	3	9
195	492	134	346	27	8	21	4	17	25	10	11

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Coercive Process for the

(a) Aganist Lambardars

District	For attachment of immovables Sections 75 and 79				Total Number of processes (excluding writs)			
	Issued		Executed		Issued		Executed	
1	13(a)	(b)	14(a)	(b)	15(a)	(b)	16(a)	(b)
Patiala Division								
1. Bhatinda ..	—	2	—	2	137	127	110	121
2. Sangrur ..	—	—	—	—	152	1,007	103	766
3. Ropar ..	—	—	—	—	28	19	—	—
4. Patiala ..	—	—	—	—	15	114	14	84
Total ..	—	2	—	2	332	1,267	227	971
Jullundur Division								
1. Ludhiana ..	—	—	—	—	64	81	39	35
2. Jullundur ..	—	—	—	—	149	85	106	85
3. Ferozepur ..	—	—	—	—	35	105	34	85
4. Amritsar ..	—	—	—	—	505	476	381	303
5. Gurdaspur ..	—	—	—	—	266	288	199	196
6. Kapurthala ..	—	—	—	—	11	107	9	103
7. Hoshiarpur ..	—	—	—	—	26	22	26	22
Total Juliundur Division ..	—	—	—	—	1,056	1,104	794	829
Total Patiala Division ..	—	2	—	2	332	1,267	227	971
GRAND TOTAL ..	—	2	—	2	1,388	2,371	1,021	1,800

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(b) For Lambardars

Amount Aofrrears for the Realisation of which Processes issued		Amount of Arrears actually realised through issue of Process	
17(a)	(b)	18(a)	(b)
1,19,323	14,152	93,418	13,616
1,71,673	4,26,267	1,07,805	2,59,385
13,709.08	295.36	13,709.08	288.8 ∞
39,438	15,021.95	37,151	14,281.95
3,44,143.08	455736.31	2,52,083.08	2,87,571.83
29,408	4,022	17,769	3,601
62,832	5,241	28,323	5,241
6,392	8,518	6,273	6,178
2,84,246	1,00,887	1,87,419	69,890
2,68,405	98,054	1,93,635	88,525
3,988	2,053	1,843	1,538
11,100	3,242	10,742	3,236
6,66,371	2,22,017	4,46,004	1,78,209
3,44,143.08	4,55,736.31	2,52,083.08	2,87,571.83
10,10,514.08	6,77,753.31	6,98,087.08	4,65,780.83

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STATEMENT

Statement showing the progress made in the re-measurement, final attestatio

S. No.	Name of District	TOTAL NO. OF VILLAGES/AREA TAKEN UP UNDER CONSOLIDATION			NO OF VILLAGES/AREA RE-MEASURED		
		In the previous years	During the year	Total	In the previous years	During the year	Total
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1.	Gurdaspur	1,526 / 770,344	—	1,526 / 770,344	1,525 / 7,67,853	1 / 2,491	1,526 / 770,344
2.	Amritsar	1,158 / 1,165,891	1 / 2,982	1,159 / 11,78,873	1,158 / 11,63,071	—	1,158 / 11,63,071
3.	Ferozepur	1,582 / 2,473,698	3 / 53,278	1,585 / 25,26,976	1,460 / 23,33,328	4 / 12,897	1,464 / 23,46,225
4.	Jullundur	1,175 / 771,071	1 / 5,036	1,176 / 7,76,107	1,160 / 7,60,562	2 / 6,810	1,162 / 7,67,372
5.	Ludhiana	848 / 794,611	—	848 / 7,94,611	839 / 7,81,494	1 / 4,759	840 / 7, 86,253
6.	Hoshiarpur	1,432 / 762,192	57 / 58,279	1,489 / 8,20,471	1,375 / 7,20,881	26 / 29,399	401 / 7,50,280
7.	Patiala	1,683 / 1,306,667	1 / 7,213	1,684 / 13,13,880	1,671 / 12,91,160	1 / 370	1,672 / 12,91,530
8.	Sangrur	727 / 1,259,560	—	727 / 12,59,560	726 / 12,56,391	—	726 / 12,56,391
9.	Bhatinda	692 / 1,699,138	—	692 / 16,99,138	692 / 16,99.138	—	692 / 16,99,13 8
10.	Kapurthala	609 / 378,858	—	609 / 3,78,858	607 / 3,72,719	—	607 / 3, 72,719
11.	Rupar	735 / 395,252	47 / 36,021	782 / 4,31,273	710 / 377,288	26 / 21,628	736 / 3,98,916
Total		12,167 / 1,17,77,282	110 / 1,62,809	12,277 / 1,19,40,091	11,923 / 1,15,23,885	61 / 78,354	11,984 / 1,16,02,239

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XII

and consignment during the year 1966-67, i.e., from 1-10-1966 to 30-9-1967

No. of villages/area of which maps have been completed and finally attested			No. of villages/area of which record have been completed and consigned		
In the previous years	During the year	Total	In the previous years	During the year	Total
9	10	11	12	13	14
1,514	5	1,519	1,511	7	1,518
7,55,074	3,558	7,58,632	7,51,072	5,069	7,56,141
1,149	6	1,155	1,148	5	1,153
11,36,812	19,752	11,56,564	11,34,638	17,060	11,51,698
1,401	63	1,464	1,405	27	1,432
22,77,758	66,430	23,44,188	20,87,887	53,682	21,41,569
1,122	10	1,132	1,105	12	1,117
7,27,445	11,128	7,38,573	6,99,008	12,530	7,11,538
795	13	808	749	13	762
6,99,906	14,732	7,14,638	6,38,673	16,813	6,55,487
1,300	28	1,328	1,290	27	1,317
6,29,731	24,513	6,54,244	617,562	25,086	6,42,648
1,654	52	1,706	1,639	3	1,642
12,89,649	2,002	12,91,651	12,64,092	3,360	12,67,452
722	2	724	718	2	720
12,46,706	7,676	12,54,382	12,31,875	7,676	12,39,551
686	—	686	556	—	556
16,46,645		16,46,645	14,55,427		14,55,427
608	5	613	478	3	481
3,59,670	3,993	3,63,663	2,90,545	5,461	2,96,006
639	41	680	622	33	655
3,26,195	24,031	3,50,226	31,15,872	15,585	3,31,457
11,590	225	11,813	11,221	132	11,353
1,10,95,591	1,77,815	1,12,73,406	1,04,86,652	1,62,322	1,06,48,974

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Statement No. XIII

Statement showing progress made in re-assessment during the year ending 30th September, 1967.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
			District				Remarks
Area under assessment	Total area in acres Area of which assessments have been sanctioned in previous year Acres. Area of which assessments have been sanctioned during the year Acres. Area still to be assessed Acres						
Assessment sanctioned during the year	Previous assessment Rs. New assessment as sanctioned Rs. Total increase or decrease of assessment Rs. Increase or decrease percent Rs.						
Villages of which the assessment has been announced.	During the year. Number of villages Total new assessment Rs. Total to date Number of villages Total area Acres Total New assessment Rs.						
Assessment Report	Total due previously submitted by Settlement officer during the year sanctioned by Govt. still due to Govt.						
Result of re-assessment perations	Increase or decrease of assessment as announced to date Percentage of increase or decrease Increase of assessment for the whole area under Settlement. As new estimated Rs. As estimated in the forecast report Rs.						

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STATEMENT No. XIV

Vide **Para 13 of the Text Duration and cost of settelment operations for the year ending 30th September, 1967**

		Districts			Total	Remarks
		Rupar Tehsil	Batala Tehsil	Patiala		
1		2	3	4	5	6 7
Date on which settlement operations commenced.		14-5-59	23-5-59	..	..	
Probable or actual date of completion	Measurement	31-12-63	..	..	..	
	Revision of records	28-2-64	30-11-65	..	..	
	Re-asessment	28-2-64	28-2-65	..	..	
	Settlement operations	23-5-66	30-11-65	..	..	
Total cost of setlement operations, deducting expenditure on ordinary dictrict staff	During the year Rs. (1966-67)			*1327.25 3,48,731.37 (Special assessment) ..		1327.25 *As arrears of pay of special assessment Staff.
	Total to date					3,48,731 (Special assessment in Patiala District)
	Now estimated for the whole operations of settlement Rs.				..	
	As estimated in the forecast report Rs. E4				..	

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STATEMENT

Statement showing ejectment proceedings under the Tenancy Act, Punjab Security

S. No.	Name of the District	No. of cases in which order of ejectment passed under section 14-A read with section 9(1)(i) of the 1953 (Pun) Act or Section 7-B of the Pepsu Tenancy and Agricultural Land Act, 1955	No. of tenants involved in cases under column 3	No. of cases out of those in col. 3 in which dispossession of tenants from whole of their tenancies takes place in pursuance of orders wentioned in col. 3	Number of tenants involved in cases under col. 3	Extent of area from which ejected in cases under column 5
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Jullundur Division						
	Hoshiarpur ..	35	39	17	20	34 acres
	Jullundur ..	27	30	24	26	K.M. 72.9
	Ludhiana ..	8	10	2	2	23.14
	Ferozepur ..	430	604	159	256	659 S.A.
	Amritsar ..	79	103	56	74	130 acres
	Gurdaspur ..	35	55	31	49	99 S.A.
	Kapurthala ..	11	18	—	—	—
	Total ..	625	859	289	427	S.A. A.K.M. 758 164-96-3
Patiala Division						
	Patiala ..	8	19	7	18	6 acres
	Bhatinda ..	—	—	—	—	—
	Sangrur ..	1	2	—	—	—
	Rupar ..	19	39	8	26	K.M. 392.8
	Total ..	28	60	15	44	Acre—K.M. 6—392—8
	Grand Total ..	653	919	304	471	S.A. —A.K.M. 758- 170-488 11

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of Land Tenures Act, 1953 and the Pepsu Tenancy and Agricultural Act, 1955.

Number of cases out of these in column 3 in which dispossession of tenants taken place partially.	No of tenants involved in cases under col. 8.	Extent of area involved in cases under column 8.	No. of cases in which order of ejectments of tenants taken place under section 14 of the Punjab Act (1953) read with Section 9(1)(ii) to (vii) and Section 7 of the Pepsu Tenancy and Agricultural Act (Default and Cases).	Number of tenants involved in cases under column 11.	Extent of area involved in cases under column 11.	Remarks
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
18	19	12 acres	56	70	108 acre	—
—	—	—	3	6	12 S.A.	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—
135	166	483 S.A	22	27	372 S.A.	—
23	29	83 acres	31	39	154 acre	—
4	6	8 acres	6	10	13 S.A	—
—	—	—	5	8	24 S.A.	—
180	220	483 S.A. 103 Ac	123	160	397 S.A.262 acres	—
1	1	2 acres	7	18	6 acres	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	1	3	16 acres	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1	1	2 acres	8	21	22 acres	—
181	221	483 S.A. 105 Acres	131	181	397 SA. 284 acres	—

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STATEMENT NO.

Act XIX of 1883

Recovery of interest

State of Loans Account Principal

Division	District	Outstanding balance on 1st October, Col.6 of last years statement	Amount advanced during the year	Amount collected & written off during the year	Balance outstanding at the close of the year
1	2	3	4	5	6
Jullundur	Hoshiarpur ..	1,61,078	3,568	6,435	1,58,211
	Jullundur ..	1,52,033	2,900	66,753	88.180
	Ludhiana ..	4,51,713	3,000	86,537	3,68,176
	Ferozepur ..	27,73,891	2,00,000	7,790	29,66,101
	Amritsar ..	13,76,905	2,000	30,248	13,48,657
	Gurdaspur ..	1,73,146	18,812	2,055	1,89,903
	Kapurthala ..	6,169	—	—	6,169
	Total ..	50,94,935	2,30,280	1,99,818	51,25,397
Patiala	Patiala ..	16,07,604	21,500	2,66,988	12,62,116
	Bhatinda ...	23,09,019	2,24,620	2,70,068	22,63,571
	Sangrur ..	31,26,893	1,06,000	7,57,472	24,75,421
	Rupar ..	3,185	—	173	3,012
	Total ..	70,46,701	3,52,120	12,94,701	61,04,120
	Grand Total ..	1,21,41,636	5,82,400	14,94,519	1,12,29,517

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PREFACE

The following pages contain Resume of Business transacted by the Fourth Vidhan Sabha during its Fourth Session held on 18th March, 1968.

CHANDIGARH :

31st December, 1968

KRISHEN SWAROOP

Secretary.

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PROGRAMME OBSERVED BY THE PUNJAB VIDHAN SABHA AT ITS SITTING HELD ON THE 18TH MARCH, 1968 FROM 2-00 P.M. to 6-45 P.M.

1. Motion regarding the short adjournment of the House (Not put to vote.)
2. Motion for transaction of the Financial Business.
3. Voting of Demands for Grants relating to Supplementary Estimates 1967-68 (Second Instalment).
4. The Punjab Appropriation Bill, 1968.
5. Voting of Demands for Grants relating to Budget Estimates for the Year 1968-69.
6. The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1968.
7. Motion regarding the adjournment of the House till 2-00 P.M. on the 5th April, 1968.

SUMMONING, SITTING AND PROROGATION OF THE 4TH SESSION OF THE FOURTH PUNJAB VIDHAN SABHA

The Fourth Punjab Vidhan Sabha was summoned to meet for its 4th Session,1968, in the Hall of the Punjab Vidhan Bhavan, Chandigarh, on Monday, the 18th March, 1968, by an Order of the Governor, dated the 14th March, 1968 and it was adjourned to meet on the 5th April, 1968 but it was prorogued by an Order of the Governor, dated 1st April, 1968.

During the session, the Sabha held one sitting only.

Leave of Absence

Leave of absence from the sitting of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha was granted by the House to Jathedar Sohan Singh Jalalusman, M.L.A. on the 18th March, 1968.

Panel of Chairmen

On the 18th March, 1968, the Speaker nominated the following on the Panel of Chairmen under rule 13(1):—

1. Pandit Mohan Lal.
2. Shri Lal Chand Suberwal.
3. Sardar Surjit Singh of Barnala.
4. Dr. Bhagat Singh.

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MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR UNDER ARTICLE 175(2)

The following message dated the 14th March, 1968 from the Governor under Article 175(2) of the Constitution of India was read out to the House by the Speaker on the 18th March, 1968:—

"In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (2) of Article 175 of the Constitution of India, I, Dadasaheb Chintamani Pavate, Governor of the State of Punjab, hereby require the Legislative Assembly to consider, with all convenient despatch, the following matters:—

(1) Supplementary Estimates, 1967-68 (Second Instalment).

(2) The Punjab Appropriation Bill, 1968 relating to the Supplementary Estimates, 1967-68 (Second Instalment).

(3) General Discussion of the Budget (continued from last time),

(4) Demands for Grants as included in the Budget Estimates for the year 1968-69.

(5) The Punjab Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 1968, relating to the Budget Estimates for the year 1968-69".

FINANCIAL BUSINESS

1. Supplementary Estimates (Second Instalment) for the year 1967-68.

The Supplementary Estimates (Second Instalment) for the year 1967-68 were presented to the House in its 3rd Session on the 6th March, 1968 and voted upon in its 4th Session on the 18th March, 1968. There were sixteen Demands in all totalling a sum of Rs.18,36,30,690 which were deemed to have been read and moved, but no member rose to speak. On a suggestion made, the House agreed to all the Demands being put together to the vote of the House. These were put accordingly and carried.

2, The Punjab Appropriation Bill, 1968.

The Punjab Appropriation Bill, 1968, in respect of the Supplementary Estimates (Second Instalment) for the year 1967-68 was introduced on the 18th March, 1968 and passed without any discussion on the same day.

3. Budget Estimates for the year 1968-69.

The Budget Estimates for the year 1968-69 were presented to the House by the Finance Minister in its Third Session on the 1st March, 1968. On the resumption of the General Discussion of the Budget Estimates on the 18th March, 1968, no member rose to speak. There were in all 51 Demands for Grants totalling a sum of Rs. 2,87,70,93,070.

Demands Nos. 22 and 43 were voted upon separately and on a suggestion by the members, all the remaining Demands numbering 49 were put to the vote of the House and carried.

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4. The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1968.

The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bills 1968 in respect of the Budget Estimates for the year 1968-69 was introduced and passed without any discussion on the 18th March, 1968.

LEGISLATION

The Sabha transacted the following legislative business on the 18th March, 1968.

It passed two original Bills, namely, the Appropriation Bills (*see* Table I).

There was another official Bill, namely, the Land Acquisition (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1968, which was introduced on 6th March, 1968 and is still pending in the Vidhan Sabha.

Five Bills which originated in and were passed by the Vidhan Parishad, and were received for the concurrence of the Vidhan Sabha during its November-December, 1967 Session are pending in the Vidhan Sabha (See Table II).

One Non-official Bill, namely, the Punjab Official Languages (Amendment) Bill, 1967, by Sardar Sikandar Singh, M.L.A., which was introduced on 7th December, 1967 is also pending in the Vidhan Sabha.

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TABLE

Serial Number	Title of the Bill	Minister introducing	Date of introduction	Date of consideration	Number of speeches			Time take in minutes		
					T.	Un-attached	Opp.	T.	Un-attached	Opp.
1	2	3	4	5	6			7		
1.	The Punjab Appropriation Bill, 1968	Finance Minister	18-3-1968	18-3-1968	—	—	—	—	—	—
2.	The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1968	Finance Minister	18-3-1968	18-3-1968	—	—	—	—	—	—

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Amendments proposed			Amend-ents not mmoved			Amendments withdrawn	Amendments lost	Amendments held out of order	Amendments carried			Total time taken for disposal in minutes including the time taken for stating the motion	Date of passing	Date of transmission to Council	Date when received from the Council	Remarks
T.	Un-attached	Opp.	T.	Un-attached	Opp.				T.	Un-attached	Opp.					
8			9			10	11	12	13			14	15	16	17	18
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	18-3-1968	18-3-1968	20-3-1968	
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	18-3-1968	18-3-1968	20-3-1968	

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TABLE I

BILLS ORIGINATING IN AND RECEIVED FROM THE PARISHAD FOR CONCURRENCE OF THE VIDHAN SABHA PENDING WITH THE VIDHAN SABHA

Sr. No.	Title of the Bill	Date of receipt
1.	The Northern India Canal and Drainage (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1967	5-12-67
2.	The Punjab Public Premises and Land (Eviction and Rent Recovery) Amendment Bill, 1967	5-12-67
3.	The Punjab Courts (Amendment) Bill, 1967	6-12-67
4.	The Punjab Gram Panchayat (Amendment) Bill, 1967	7-12-67
5.	The Punjab Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads (Amendment) Bill, 1967	7-12-67

SYNOPSIS OF BILLS PASSED BY THE PUNJAB VIDHAN SABHA DURING ITS FOURTH SESSION

I. Bills Originating in the Vidhan Sabha

1. The Punjab Appropriation Bill, 1968 (Introduced on 18th March, 1968, Passed on 18th March, 1968).

   The Bill provides for the appropriation from and out of the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab of sums required to meet the Supplementary Grants made by the Vidhan Sabha and expenditure charged on the Consolidated Fund of the State for the financial year, 1967-68.

2. The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1968 (Introduced on 18th March, 1968, passed on 18th March, 1968).

   The Bill provides for the appropriation from and out of the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab of sums required to meet the grants voted by the Vidhan Sabha and the expenditure charged on the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab for the Financial year 1968-69.

RESOLUTION UNDER ARTICLE 179(C) OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA REGARDING THE REMOVAL OF THE SPEAKER

A notice of resolution to remove the Speaker from his office under Article 179(c) of the Constitution of India read with Rule 11 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly was received on the 18th March, 1968, from Sardar Kirpal Singh Dhillon, M.L.A. and leave to move it was granted by the House the same day. However, the resolution lapsed on the prorogation of the House on 1st April, 1968.

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The Punjab Legislature (Regulation of Procedure in relation to Financial Business) Ordinance, 1968 (Ordinance No. 1 of 1968) was laid on the Table of the House on the 18th March, 1968, by the Chief Minister.

QUESTIONS OF PRIVILEGE

Sr. No.	Date	Member giving notice	Subject-matter	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5
1.	18-3-68	Tikka Jagtar Singh (No. 1)	Regarding Shri Prabodh Chandra's statement against the Speaker and the House appearing in the 'Hind Samachar' dated 11thMarch, 1968 to the effect that Speaker's place was not in the Vidhan Sabha but in Jail etc.	The Speaker referred the Privilege Motion to the Committee of Privileges.
2.	Do	Shri Lal Chand Suberwal (No. 3)	Regarding Shri Prabodh Chandra's statements appearing in all the daily newspapers dated 11th March, 1968 that if Assembly Session is called again, what to talk of blood-shed, even the dog will not bark. Speaker Mann should be prosecuted for offence of a traitor etc.	Ditto
3.	Do	Shri Lal Chand Suberwal (No. 4)	That it is shame for him to be the Member of a House which has a Speaker like Shri Joginder Singh.	Ditto
4.	Do	Mr. Speaker [himself]	Regarding the editorial note appearing in Weekly 'Ekta' dated 12th March, 1968 under the caption "Speaker 'Mann' or a 'Beiman' ".	The Speaker referred the matter to the Committee of Privileges.

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OTHER MOTIONS

Sr. No.	Minister/Member moving	Moved and discussed on	Subject-matter	Decision/ Remarks
1.	Chief Minister	18-3-68	Motion regarding the short adjournment of the House.	Not put.
2.	Chief Minister	18-3-68	Motion regarding the transaction of financial business.	Carried.
3.	Chief Minister	18-3-68	Motion regarding the Adjournment of the House till 2.00 p.m. on the 5th April, 1968.	Carried.

POINT OF ORDER AND DECISION THEREON

Whether the Governor can issue an Ordinance regulating the business of the House, when the House is in Session.

It was held by the Speaker that the Governor could not do so and he had no power to resummon the House once adjourned under rule 105 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business of the Vidhan Sabha; and adjourned the House in accordance with his earlier ruling.

The Deputy Speaker (After the Speaker had adjourned the House and withdrawn from the Chamber) ruled that the Speaker had no authority to adjourn the House under the Ordinance promulgated by the Governor and declared the adjournment, ordered by the Speaker, null and void.

(The Speaker had adjourned the House for two months on 7th March, 1968 before it could pass the Budget. The Governor issued an order of prorogation on 11th March, 1968 and a notification regulating the business of the House was issued on 13th March, 1968. The above point of order was raised by Sardar Gurnam Singh on the 18th March, 1968 when the House met in response to the summons issued by the Governor).

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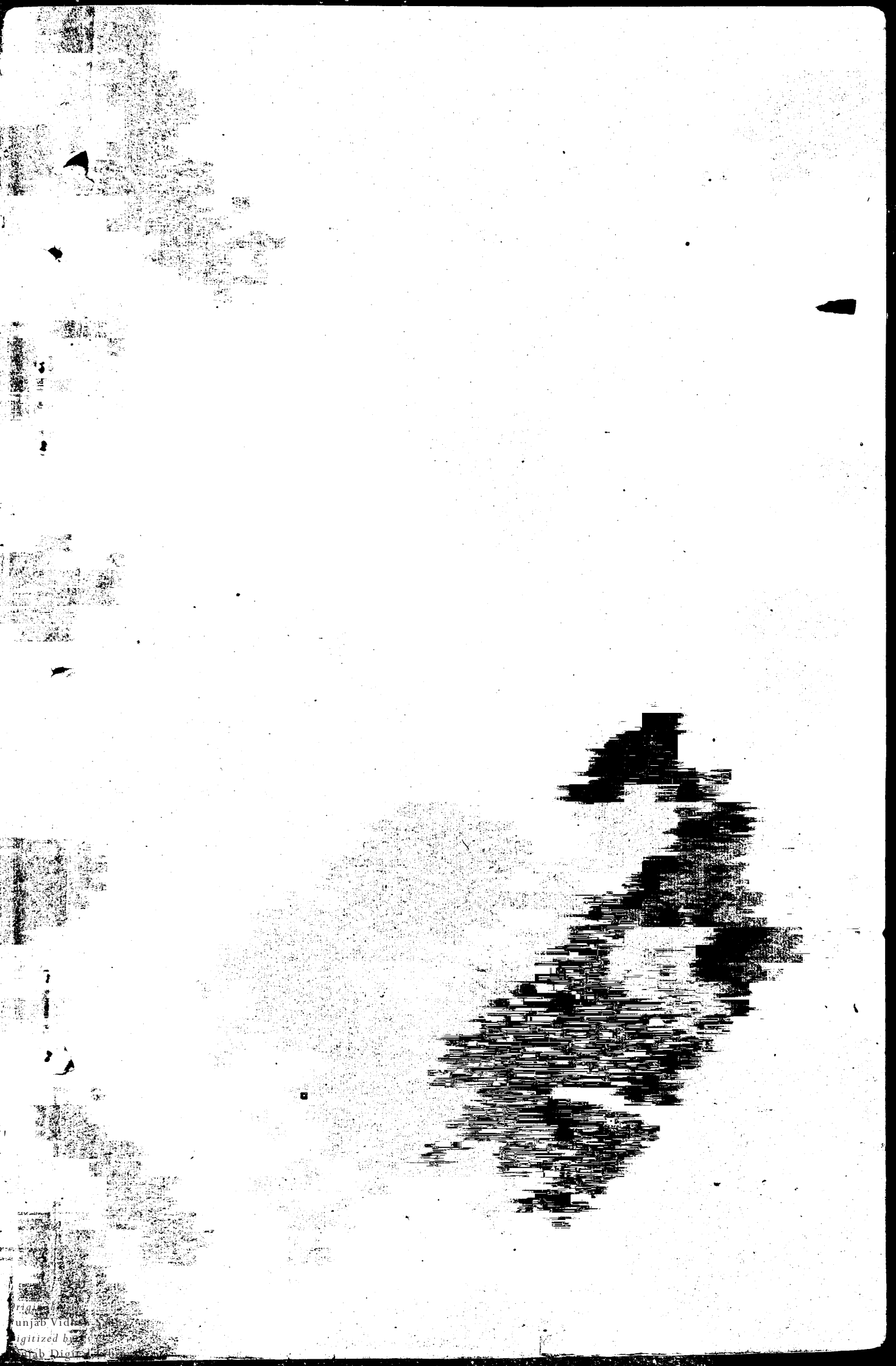
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PREFACE

The following pages contain Resume of Business transacted by the Fourth Vidhan Sabha during its Fifth Session held in May, 1968 together with the bulletins issued daily after the adjournment of each sitting of the Sabha.

CHANDIGARH:

The 8th January, 1969.

KRISHEN SWAROOP,

Secretary.

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PROGRAMME OBSERVED BY THE FOURTH PUNJAB VIDHAN SABHA DURING ITS 5TH SESSION HELD FROM THE 20TH MAY TO THE 22ND MAY, 1968.

Date	Programme
1	2
20th May, 1968 (2-00 P. M. to 5-16 P. M.)	1. References to the deaths of the late.— (i) Shri Hareswar Goswami, Speaker Assam Legislative Assembly. (ii) Sardar Uttam Singh Duggal, M. P. **2. Official Resolution** "Whereas the High Court of Punjab and Haryana has declared the two Punjab Appropriation Acts, Nos. 9 and 10 of 1968 to be ultra vires the Constitution, by its judgment dated May 10, 1968 and Whereas an appeal has been preferred from the said judgment to the Supreme Court of India and the said appeal is pending and Whereas the Supreme Court, by order dated May 13, 1968, has permitted the State Government to with draw and utilise the necessary funds and collect taxes etc. subject to such liabilities or rights as may be determined by the Supreme Court and Whereas the Solicitor General appearing for the Government gave an assurance to the Court that necessary steps would be taken by the Chief Minister immediately to convene the Legislative Assembly and Whereas the Chief Minister advised the Governor to summon the Assembly before May 21, 1968 and Whereas the Governor has been pleased to summon the Assembly under article 174 of the Constitution for May 20, 1968

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	Now, therefore, the Legislative Assembly resolves to approve and hereby approves the action of the State Government in preferring appeal to the Supreme Court from the above said judgment of the High Court." (The Speaker disallowed the resolution on the ground that it covered a matter which was under the adjudication of the Supreme Court).
3.	Presentation and adoption of the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
4.	Presentation of the Second and Third Reports of the Committee of Privileges.
5.	Resolution for election of the Members on the Public Accounts Committee, viz,— "That the members of this House do proceed to elect in the manner required by sub-rule (3) of rule 250 of the Rules of procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly, nine members from among themselves to serve as members of the Committee of Public Accounts for the year 1968-69" (Carried.)
6.	Resolution for election of members on the Committee on Estimates viz,— "That the members of this House do proceed to elect in the manner required by sub-rule (2) of Rule 252 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly, nine members from among themselves to serve as the members of the Committee on Estimates for the year 1968-69" (carried.)
7.	Motion regarding nomination of three M. L. C.s each to associate with the Public Accounts Committee and the Estimates Committee of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha for the year 1968-69.
8.	The Northern India Canal and Drainage (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1967, as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad.

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	9. The Punjab Public Premises and Land (Eviction and Rent Recovery) Amendment Bill, 1967, as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad (Deferred).
	10. The Punjab Courts (Amendment) Bill, 1967, as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad.
	11. The Punjab Gram Panchayat (Amendment) Bill, 1967, as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad.
	12. The Punjab Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishad (Amendment) Bill, 1967, as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad.
21st May, 1968. (2-00 P. M. to 6-30 P.M.)	1. The Punjab Legislative Assembly (Allowances of Members) Amendment Bill, 1968.
	2. The Punjab Legislative Council (Allowances of Members) Amendment Bill, 1968.
	3. The Punjab Cattle Fairs (Regulation) Amendment Bill, 1968.
	4. The Punjab Land Revenue (Amendment) Bill, 1968, (Withdrawn).
	5. The Punjab Ice Price Control Bill, 1968 (Continued on the 22nd May, 1968.)
22nd May 1968. (2-00 P.M. to 4-00 P.M.)	1. Motion regarding adjournment of the House *sine die*.
	2. Presentation and adoption of the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
	3. Resumption of discussion on the motion that the Punjab Ice Price Control Bill be taken into consideration at once (concluded).

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SUMMONING, SITTINGS AND PROROGATION OF THE VIDHAN SABHA

The Fourth Punjab Vidhan Sabha was summoned to meet for its 5th Session, 1968, in the Hall of the Punjab Vidhan Bhavan, Chandigarh, on Monday, the 20th May, 1968, by an order of the Governor, dated the 15th May, 1968, and continued to meet till the 22nd May, 1968, when it was adjourned *sine die*. Later, it was prorogued by an Order of the Governor, datedthe 1st June, 1968.

During the Session, the Sabha held 3 sittings.

PANEL OF CHAIRMEN

On the 21st May, 1968, the Speaker nominated the following on the Panel of Chairmen under rule 13 (1) :—

1. Pandit Mohan Lal.
2. Shri Lal Chand Suberwal.
3. Sardar Surjit Singh (Barnala).
4. Dr. Bhagat Singh.

REFERENCES

Reference to the deaths of the late—

1. Shri Hareswar Goswami, Speaker Assam Legislative Assembly.
2. Sardar Uttam Singh Duggal, M.P.

Were made on the 20thMay, 1968 by the Chief Minister, the Leader of the Opposition, Leader of the Congress Legislature Party and the Leader of the Akali Party.

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed. All the members stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased.

Messages of condolence and sympathy on behalf of the Vidhan Sabha were sent for being conveyed to the Members of the respective bereaved families, as under :—

Sr. No.	Name of deceased	Name of authority to whom the message of condolence was sent
1.	Shri Hareswar Goswami, Speaker, Assam Legislative Assembly.	The Secretary, Assam Legislative Assembly, Shillong.
2.	Sardar Uttam Singh Duggal, M.P.	The Secretary, Rajya Sabha, Parliament House, New Delhi

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LEGISLATION

The Sabha transacted legislative business on the 20th, 21st and 22nd May, 1968.

It passed four original Bills and the four received from the Vidhan Parishad. (See Tables I and II).

One original official Bill, namely, the Punjab Land Revenue (Amendment) Bill, 1968, which was introduced in the Vidhan Sabha on the 21st May, 1968, was withdrawn by the leave of the House.

One official Bill, namely, the Land Acquisition (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1968, which was introduced on 6th March 1968, is pending with the Vidhan Sabha.

One Bill, namely, the Punjab Public Premises and Land (Eviction and Rent Recovery) Amendment Bill, 1967, which originated in and was passed by the Vidhan Parishad, and was received for the concurrence of the Vidhan Sabha during its November-December Session is also pending in the Vidhan Sabha.

One non-official Bill, namely the Punjab Official Language Bill, 1967, by Sardar Sikandar Singh, M.L.A. which was introduced on 7th December, 1967 is also pending with the Vidhan Sabha.

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TABLE

Sl. No.	Title of the Bill	Minister introducing	Date of introduction	Date of consideration	No. of speeches		Time taken in minutes		Amendments proposed	
					T.	Opp.	T.	Opp.	T.	Opp.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1.	The Punjab Legislative Assembly (Allowances of Members) Amendment Bill, 1968	Health and Food and Supplies Minister	21.5.68	21.5.68	8	6	50	34	1	—
2.	The Punjab Legislative Council (Allowances of Members) Amendment Bill, 1968	Health and Food and Supplies Minister	21.5.68	21.5.68	1	—	—	—	1	—
3.	The Punjab Cattle Fairs (Regulation) Amendment Bill, 1968	P.W.D. and Development State Minister	21.5.68	21.5.68	2	—	—	—	1	—
4.	The Punjab Ice Price Control Bill, 1968	Labour and Welfare Minister	21.5.68	21.5.68 and 22.5.68	9	9	57	47	17	9

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Amendments not moved		Amendments withdrawn	Amendments lost	Amendments held out of order	Amendments carried		Total time taken for disposal in minutes including the time taken for stating the motion	Date of passing	Date of transmission to Parishad	Date when received back from the Parishad	Remarks
T.	Opp.				T.	Opp.					
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
—	—	—	—	1	—	—	128	21.5.68	21.5.68	23.5.68	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	21.5.68	21.5.68	23.5.68	—
—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	21.5.68	21.5.68	23.5.68	—
4	5	—	5	—	12	—	108	22.5.68	22.5.68	23.5.68	—

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TABLE II

Bills Originating in and received from the Vidhan Parishad for Concurrence of the Vidhan Sabha.

Sl. No.	Title of the Bill	Date of receipt	Date of considera-tion	Date of passing
1.	The Northern India Canal and Drainage (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1967.	5-12-67	20-5-68	20-5-68
2.	The Punjab Courts (Amendment) Bill, 1967.	6-12-67	20-5-68	20-5-68
3.	The Punjab Gram Panchayat (Amendment) Bill, 1967.	7-12-67	20-5-68	20-5-68
4.	The Punjab Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads (Amendment) Bill, 1967.	7-12-67	20-5-68	20-5-68

SYNOPSIS OF BILLS PASSED BY THE PUNJAB VIDHAN SABHA DURING ITS SUMMER SESSION. 1968.

I. BILLS ORIGINATING IN THE PUJAB VIDHAN SABHA

1. The Punjab Legislative Assembly (Allowances of Members) Amendment Bill, 1968 (Introduced and passed on 21st May, 1968.)

This Bill amends the Principal Act so as to raise the monthly allowance of the Members of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha from Rs. 300 to Rs. 400.

2. The Punjab Legislative Council (Allowances of Members) Amendment Bill, 1968 (Introduced and passed on 21st May, 1968.

This Bill amends the Principal Act so as to raise the monthly allowance of the Members of Punjab Vidhan Parishad from Rs. 300 to 400.

3. The Punjab Cattle Fairs (Regulation) Amendment Bill, 1968. (Introduced and passed on 21st May, 1968.)

This Bill amends the Principal Act so as to provide therein definition of "Cattle fairs".

4. The Punjab Ice Price Control Bill, 1968. (Introduced and passed on 21st May, 1968.)

This bill seeks to fix the price of the ice to end the exploitation being caused by some unscrupulous elements during summer season by selling ice at exorbitant prices.

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II. BILLS ORIGINATING IN THE VIDHAN PARISHAD AND RECEIVED FOR THE CONCURRENCE OF THE VIDHAN SABHA.

1. **The Northern India Canal and Drainage (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1967.** (Discussed and passed on 20th May, 1968)

This Bill amends the principal Act in its application to the State of Punjab, so as to remove therefrom a reference to occupancy tenants and to omit part VIII of the said Act to end the compulsory labour for canals and drainage works, etc.

2. **The Punjab Courts (Amendment) Bill, 1967** (Discussed and passed on 20th May, 1968)

This Bill amends the principal Act so as to remove the inconvenience being experienced by the people of Ropar District in the matter of presentation of appeals etc. at Ropar on its becoming a separate District.

3. **The Punjab Gram Panchayat (Amendment) Bill, 1967.** (Discussed and passed on 20th May, 1968).

This Bill amends the Principal Act so as provide for the disqualification of a person from membership of a Gram Panchayat and removal of a member of a Gram Panchayat on certain conditions.

4. **The Punjab Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads(Amendment) Bill, 1967** (Discussed and passed on 20th May,1968).

This Bill amends the principal Act so as to provide for—

(i) cessation of a member of a Panchayat Samiti or Zila Parishad when he ceases to possess the qualification on the basis of which he was elected as such; and

(ii) effective control over Government servants working with Panchayat Samitis and effective working of Zila Parishad Tribunal etc.

PAPERS LAID

The statement showing the Bills which had been passed by the Punjab State Legislature during its November-December Session, 1967 and assented to by the President of India/Governor was laid before the House by the Secretary on 21st May, 1968.

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REPORTS PRESENTED

Sl. No.	By whom presented/laid	Date on which presented/ laid	Subject
1.	Speaker	20th May, 1968	First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
2.	Shri Lal Chand Suberwal	20th May, 1968	*Second Report of the Committee of Privileges on the question of privilege regarding the matter referred to the Committee by the Speaker relating to Sardar Baldev Singh and other members about the happenings of the 5th May, 1967.
3.	Ditto	Ditto	*Third Report of the Committee of Privileges on the question of privilege regarding publication of certain objectionable remarks in the Weekly "Dihati Janta", Jullundur, in its issue dated the 27th December, 1967 casting reflection on the Speaker.
4.	Speaker	22nd May, 1968	Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee.

*The Reports are yet to be considered and adopted by the House.

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ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

Notices of 9 Adjournment Motions were received on different dates from different Members. All of them were disallowed. The following Motions were, however, mentioned in the House

(*See* Table below)

Sl. No.	Date of Motion	Date when taken up	Member(s) giving Notice	Subject	Decision
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	20th May, 1968	20th May, 1968	Sardar Gurcharan Singh Baghapurana	Regarding the serious situation created by the open and unabashed goondaism and resort to physical force by Moga Police against the share-holders of Pepsu Transport Co. (Private) Ltd., Moga	The Motion was disallowed by the Speaker
2.	20th May, 1968	20th May, 1968	Sarvshri Satya Pal Dang, Bhan Singh Bhaura, Munsha Singh	Regarding alarming increase in serious crimes like murders in the State etc.	The Motion was held over.
3.	20th May, 1968	20th May, 1968	Sarvshri Satya Pal Dang and Bhan Singh Bhaura	Regarding the use of third degree methods against the Roadways employees.	The Speaker observed that he would seek relevant information from the Home Secretary. The Motion was held over.

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4.	20th May, 1968	20th May, 1968	Ditto	Regarding 'the failure of the Government to reinstate all the employees of Punjab Roadways, who went on strike from 26th February, 1968 to 1st March, 1968'.	On 21st May, 1968, the Speaker agreed to convert the Adjournment Motion into a Call Attention Notice and copies of statement in reply to it were sent to Members on 2nd July, 1968.
5.	21st May, 1968	21st May, 1968	Shri A. Vishwanathan	Regarding the alleged demolition of Gita Bhawan at Ludhiana.	The Speaker refused to allow discussion on the Adjournment Motion but agreed to convert it into a Call Attention Motion. The Chief Minister made statement in this connection. The Speaker undertook to make an on-the-spot enquiry into the matter as desired by the House and make a report to the House.
6.	22nd May, 1968	22nd May, 1968	Shri Satya Pal Dang	Regarding 'the failure of the Government to take any action against the S. H. O. Samana who beat up and used third degree methods against a Journalist'.	The Adjournment Motion was converted into a Call Attention Notice and copies of statement in reply to it were sent to Members on 18th October, 1968.
7.	22nd May, 1968	22nd May, 1968	Shri A. Vishwanathan	Ditto	The Adjournment Motion (No. 9) was converted into a Call Attention Notice and copies of statement in reply to it were sent to Members on 18th October, 1968.

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QUESTIONS OF PRIVILEGE

Sr. No.	Date	Member(s) giving Notice	Subject Matter	Remarks
1.	20th May, 1968	Shri Satya Pal Dang	Regarding the allegation that policemen in plain clothes had entered the Vidhan Sabha Chamber on 18th March, 1968.	The Speaker held that the matter was sub-judice, as the Police was already investigating the case.
2.	22nd May, 1968	Shri A. Vishwanathan	Regarding 'the matter involving the Stoppage of the car of the Speaker by the Police on the 18th March, 1968'.	The Speaker reserved his ruling on the Privilege Motion (No. 2).

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OTHER MOTIONS

Sr. No.	Minister/Member moving	Moved on	Discussed on	Subject Matter	Decision/ Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	Finance Minister	20th May, 1968	20th May, 1968	Agreement with the recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.	Carried
2.	Chief Minister	20th May, 1968	20th May, 1968	Recommendations to the Punjab Vidhan Parishad regarding nomination of three M.L.C.s each to associate with the Public Accounts Committee and Committee on Estimates of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha for the year 1968-69.	Carried
3.	Chief Minister	22nd May, 1968	22nd May, 1968	Motion regarding adjournment of the House *sine die.*	Carried
4.	Finance Minister	22nd May, 1968	22nd May, 1968	Agreement with the recommendations contained in the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee.	Carried

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CALL ATTENTION NOTICES UNDER RULE 73

In all, 28 notices calling attention to matters of public importance were received. Only 19 notices were admitted as detailed below in the serial order in which they were received. The rest were disallowed by the Hon'ble Speaker in his Chamber on one ground or the other.

Sr. No.	Call Attention Notice No.	Member/Members Calling Attention	Date	Subject matter	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	1	Sardar Balwant Singh	21st May, 1968	Serious situation already created by calculated attempts on the part of State Government to smash Hindu-Sikh Unity.	Copies of the statement were received on 15th June, 1968 and sent to Members on 18th June, 1968.
2.	3	Dr. Baldev Parkash	21st May, 1968	Acute scarcity of articles of daily consumption in the State.	The Health and Food Minister laid a statement on the Table on 22nd May, 1968.
3.	4	Shri Manmohan Kalia and Comrade Harkishan Singh Surjeet	21st May, 1968	Situation arising out of the hunger strike resorted to by certain employees of the Punjab Roadways since 11th May, 1968.	Copies of the statement were received on 29th June, 1968 and sent to Members on 2nd July, 1968.

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4.	5	Comrades Satyapal Dang and Bhan Singh Bhaura	21st May, 1968	Serious discontentment arising out of the discriminatory attitude of the Government in the matter of pay revision.	Copies of the statement were received on 13th August, 1968 and sent to Members on 22nd August, 1968.
5.	6	Comrades Satya Pal Dang, Jangir Singh Joga and Bhan Singh Bhaura	21st May, 1968	Acute discontentment among the industrial workers of the State due to the failure of the Government to renew the appointment of the Presiding Officer, Labour Court, Jullundur.	Copies of the statement were received on 25th July, 1968 and sent to Members on 27th July, 1968.
6.	7	Comrades Satya Pal Dang, Jangir Singh Joga and Bhan Singh Bhaura	21st May, 1968	Acute discontentment that has arisen among the peasants of the State because of the reported decision of the Government to permit the re-imposition of the Octroi duty on the food grains etc.	Revenue and Local Government Minister laid the statement on the Table on 22nd May, 1968.
7.	8	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	21st May, 1968	Failure/refusal of the Government to implement the Act Providing for the exemption of land revenue upto holdings of five standard acres.	Copies of the statement were received on 20th August, 1968 and sent to Members on 23rd August, 1968.
8.	9	Chaudhri Satya Dev	21st May, 1968	Injustice being done to the tenants of Abohar Seed Farm.	Statement not received.
9.	10	Sardar Shangara Singh	21st May, 1968	Great resentment among the candidates due to non-declaration of the result of the P.C.S. (Executive) examination held in 1965.	Copies of the statement were received on 22nd May, 1968 and sent to Members on 27th May, 1968.

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1	2	3	4	5	6
10.	11	Comrades Satya Pal Dang, Jangir Singh Joga and Bhan Singh Bhaura	22nd May, 1968	Failure of the Government to take and announce a definite decision regarding the recommendation of the *ad hoc* Sub-Committee of the Cabinet on the demands of the border area people.	Copies of the statement were received on 24th May, 1968 and sent to Members on 27th May, 1968.
11.	12	Ditto	22nd May, 1968	Failure of the Government to make up its mind and announce its decision regarding the proposal to enact legislation to link wages of Industrial workers with the cost of living index.	Copies of the statement were received on 21st June, 1968 and sent to Members on 25th June, 1968.
12.	14	Comrades Bhan Singh Bhaura and Munsha Singh	22nd May, 1968	Government's reactionary step in reversing the decision of the Front Government to distribute surplus evacuee land among agricultural workers and poor peasants.	Copies of the statement were received on 21st June, 1968 and sent to Members on 25th June, 1968.
13.	15	Comrades Satya Pal Dang, Jangir Singh Joga and Bhan Singh Bhaura	22nd May, 1968	Serious discontentment among the public of Bhatinda as a result of forced vasectomy operation performed against the wishes of certain residents of Bhatinda in the month of March, 1968.	Statement not received.

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1	2	3	4	5	6
14.	19	Shri A. Vishwanathan	22nd May, 1968	Act of great irresponsibility of the Government of Punjab in spending huge amount of money in inviting and making arrangements for the stay of Shri Mahesh Yogi and his troupe as State Guests.	Copies of the statement were received on 21st September, 1968 and sent to Members on 24th September, 1968.
15.	21	Ditto	22nd May, 1968	Threat of the College teachers in the State and the agitation of the Private School teachers against non-fulfilment of promises given to them by the Government.	Statement not received.
16.	22	Comrades Satya Pal Dang, Bhan Singh Bhaura and Jangir Singh Joga	22nd May, 1968	Great resentment among the citizens and the property-owners in the State on the basis of report of the Chief Minister of the present Government to recover the property tax from everybody with effect from this year.	Copies of the statement were received on 18th June, 1968 and sent to Members on 22nd June, 1968.
17.	26	Comrade Dalip Singh Tapiala	22nd May, 1968	Atrocities to which poor peasants of the State are being subjected to in the realisation of taccavi loans in the State during these days when they are awfully busy in harvesting and thrashing the crops.	Copies of the statement were received on 3rd July, 1968 and sent to Members on 16th July, 1968.

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1	2	3	4	5	6
18.	27	Comrade Munsha Singh	22nd May, 1968	Advertisement issued by the S.S.S. Board inviting applications for filling some vacancies of Classical Vernacular Teachers and Art and Craft Teachers when teachers of these categories already selected by the Board are still going unemployed.	Statement not received.
19.	28	Lt. Bhag Singh	22nd May, 1968	Delay on the part of the Government in the disbursement of the grants for the purchase of pigs to the members of Scheduled Castes.	Copies of the statement were received on 31st July, 1968 and sent to Members on 3rd August, 1968.

Comparative Statement of Speeches made and Time taken thereon
(May Session, 1968)

No. of Speeches made by			Time taken by		
Treasury Benches			*Treasury Benches*		
Members (excluding Ministers)	Ministers	Members of Opposition/Opposition Groups	Members (excluding Ministers)	Ministers	Members of Opposition/ Opposition Groups
23	16	30	H. M. 2-06	H. M. 0-47	H. M. 2-24
33 per cent	23·2 per cent	43.5 per cent	39.8 per cent	14.8 per cent	45.4 per cent

Notes:—1. Observations/Statements/Rulings, etc. by the Chair and the time taken thereon are not included in the above statement.
2. Question Hour has been excluded from the statement.
3. Time taken on Divisions, Adjournment Motions, Call Attention Motions, Privilege Motions etc. is also excluded from the statement.

CENSURE MOTION

Notice of a censure motion against Sardar Karnail Singh Marhari, Deputy Minister, about his interference in an enquiry to be conducted by an enquiry officer against the conduct of a Medical Practitioner who happens to be a Government Servant was received from Shri Harbans Lal Khanna, on the 20th May, 1968.

On the 22nd May, 1968, it was disallowed by the Hon'ble Speaker on the ground that it was vague.

Figures relating to questions

1.	Total number of sittings of the Sabha ..	3
2.	Number of questions (Starred and Unstarred) received ..	15
3.	Number of Short Notice Questions received ..	—
4.	Total Number of sittings at which the question hour was dispensed with ..	—
5.	Number of Members from whom notices were received ..	3
6.	Total number of questions to which oral answers were given ..	6
7.	Largest number of questions orally answered on any one day ..	3
8.	Least number of questions orally answered on any one day ..	3
9.	Total number of Starred Questions converted into Unstarred Questions ..	2
10.	Total number of Unstarred Questions replied to ..	2
11.	Largest number of questions addressed to any one Minister (Health and Food and Supplies Minister) ..	3
12.	Largest number of questions orally answered by any one Minister (Labour and Welfare Minister) ..	2
13.	Total number of statements in replies to questions supplied to the Members concerned .	1

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STATEMENT REGARDING QUESTIONS

	Number of notices received	Number admitted	Number disallowed	Number not put	Number answered	Number deemed to have been answered under Rule 45	Number of Supplementaries put	Remarks
Starred	13 (Including 11 renewed questions)	13 (Including 11 renewed questions)	—	2	6 { Treasury—nil; Opposition—6 }	3 { Treasury—nil; Opposition—3 }	30	2 Starred Questions were converted into Unstarred Questions and included in the Supplementary List of Unstarred Questions (converted as such from being Starred) for the 22nd May, 1968.
Unstarred	2 (renewed questions)	2 (renewed questions)	—	—	2 Treasury —2	—	—	
Short Notice	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	

Statement showing the number of Starred Questions answered date-wise

Date	Treasury	Opposition	Total
21st May, 1968	—	3	3
22nd May, 1968	—	3	3
Total	—	6	6
22nd May, 1968	—	3	*3
Grand Total	—	9	9

*Deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly.

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Statement showing the number of Starred Questions in the names of different Ministers date-wise

Date	Chief Minister	Health and Food and Supplies Minister	Transport Minister	Finance Minister	Excise and Taxation Minister	Revenue and Local Government Minister	Labour and Welfare Minister	Co-operation and Parliamentary Affairs Minister	Minister of State for Irrigation and Power	Minister of State for Agriculture and Food and Supplies	Minister of State for Public Works	Minister of State for Printing and Stationery, Rehabilitation and Co-operation.	Total
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
20th May, 1968	—	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	2	—	—	—	5
21st May, 1968	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	3
22nd May, 1968	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	3
Total	1	3	—	—	1	2	2	—	2	—	—	—	11

DIVISION(S)

Serial No.	Date	Recorded / Not Recorded	Occasion	Result
1.	20-5-1968	Not Recorded	Before the Northern India Canal and Drainage (Punjab.) Amendment, Bill, 1967, was finally passed, the Chief Minister claimed a division.	The Opposition opposed the claims for a division, as they were not contesting the passing of the Bill. The Bill was unanimously passed.

Unparliamentary/Objectionable Expressions.

Fraud	(When used with reference to the Government)	20-5-1968.

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Observations made by the Speaker on the 20th May, 1968 Regarding the Resolution moved by the State Government about the Appeal to the Supreme Court against the Judgement of the High Court

On a resolution moved by the Chief Minister (Sardar Lachhman Singh Gill) that the Assembly resolves to approve the action of the State Government in preferring appeal to the Supreme Court from the Judgement of the High Court declaring the Appropriation Act Nos. 9 and 10 of 1968 as *ultra vires* of the Constitution

Mr. Speaker observed :—

the Resolution, notice of which has been received from the Chief Minister, consists of 7 paragraphs, out of which the last paragraph is the only one which is operative in as much as it asks for the approval of the Assembly of the action taken by the Government in preferring an appeal to the Supreme Court against judgement of the High Court in declaring the two Appropriation Acts invalid.

So far as the right to move the Supreme Court in an appropriate case against the judgement of the High Court is concerned, that is a constitutional and legal right of every litigant including the State. Whether this is or is not an appropriate case in which the State should have preferred the appeal will depend upon the ultimate decision of the Supreme Court, before which august body the matter is pending.

Further, attention is invited to Rule 196 (d) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly which lays down that in order that a resolution may be admissible, it shall satisfy the following condition, namely;

> "it shall not relate to any matter which is under adjudication by a court of law having jurisdiction in any part of India."

This Resolution covers a matter which is under adjudication by the Supreme Court. I, therefore, disallow this Resolution.

Points of Order and Decisions thereon

1. Whether the Assembly summoned by the Governor on 20th May, 1968 under Article 174 of the Constitution after it was adjourned by the Speaker for two months on 7th March, 1968 was properly called or not ? Whether it was a prorogued or adjourned House ?

It was held that it was a properly prorogued House and it was properly summoned.

(The Speaker had adjourned the House on 7th March, 1968 for two months. But before the expiry of that period, it was prorogued and resummoned by the Governor to meet on 20th May, 1968. When the Assembly met on that date, Shri Lal Chand Suberwal, raised this point of order and the Speaker gave his decision as above.)

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2. Whether it is obligatory on the Chair to put a Censure Motion before the House, as soon as it is received?

It was held that it was not obligatory on the Chair to do so. The Chair has to satisfy itself about its being in order.

(On 21st May, 1968, Dr. Baldev Parkash rising on a point of Order asked about the fate of the Censure Motion given notice of by Shri Harbans Lal and insisted that it be put before the House without any sort of enquiry by the Speaker. Some other Members supported Dr. Baldev Parkash and stated that the Speaker had to bring the Censure Motion before the House as soon as it was received. At this, the hon. Speaker ruled as above.)

3. Whether the Governor was not required to address the House at the commencement of this (May) Session, 1968 ?

The Speaker ruled that according to the Constitution, the Governor was to address the Members of the Legislature in the 1st Session held during a calendar year. The Governor had already delivered his Address in the Budget Session of the Legislature when the Member raising the point of order was also present.

(On the 21st May, 1968, the above point of Order was raised by Shri A. Vishwanathan and the hon. Speaker gave the above ruling.)

4. Whether it is incumbent upon the Minister-in-charge of a Bill to reply to the debate thereon ?

The Deputy Speaker ruled that the responsibility of the Cabinet was joint. Any of the Ministers could give reply.

[On the 21st May, 1968, the above point of Order was raised by Chaudhri Balbir Singh when the Chief Minister, instead of the Minister-in-charge of the Punjab Legislative Assembly (Allowances of Members) Amendment Bill—Chaudhri Kartar Singh, rose to reply to the debate on the first reading of the Bill. The Deputy Speaker gave the above ruling.]

5. Whether any Member other than the Speaker can occupy the Chair after the House is adjourned.

It was held that no Member could occupy the Chair after the House was adjourned.

(On 22nd May, 1968, the Chief Minister referred to the occupation of the Chair by some Members of the Opposition after the Speaker had left the House when the Speaker ruled as above)

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APPENDIX

BULLETINS

Containing brief record of the proceedings of the meetings of the Fourth Vidhan Sabha held during May, 1968.

BULLETIN No. 1

Monday, the 20th May, 1968

(From 2-00 p.m. to 5-16 p.m.

I. Point of order

Before the business on the Order Paper could be taken up, Shri Lal Chand Suberwal raised a point of Order questioning the legality of the summoning of the House by the Governor. The Speaker rejected the Point of Order and held that the House had been duly summoned.

II. Questions

(a) Starred :

List of Starred Questions for 20th May, 1968 was taken up.

Total No. of Questions on the order Paper	Answered	Post-poned	Not Put	No. of Supplementaries
5	Nil	3	2	Nil

(b) Un-starred 2

III. Obituary References :

The Chief Minister made a reference to the death of the late :—

(i) Shri Hareswar Goswami, Speaker, Assam Legislative Assembly;

(iii) Sardar Uttam Singh Duggal, M.P.,

and moved that messages of condolence be sent to the bereaved families of the deceased.

The following hon. Members made observations :—

1. S. Gurnam Singh, Leader of the Opposition ;
2. S. Gian Singh Rarewala, Leader of the Congress Legislature Party ; and
3. S. Jagdev Singh, Leader of the Akali Party.

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed in the House.

The Members stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased.

It was decided to send the messages of condolence to the bereaved families.

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IV. Privilege Motion

On the question of privilege sought to be raised by Shri Sat Pal Dang regarding the allegation that policemen in plain clothes had entered the Vidhan Sabha on March 18, 1968, the Speaker held that the matter was sub-judice as the police was already investigating the case.

V. Adjournment Motions

1. In regard to the Adjournment Motion (No. 1) given notice of by Sardar Gurcharan Singh, the Speaker observed that the motion had been disallowed.

2. Adjournment Motion (No. 3) given notice of by Shri Satya Pal Dang, Comrade Bhan Singh Bhaura and Comrade Munsha Singh regarding alarming increase in serious crimes like murders in the State etc. was held over.

3. Adjournment Motion (No. 5) given notice of by Shri Satya Pal Dang and Comrade Bhan Singh Bhaura regarding the use of third degree methods against the Roadways employees, the Speaker observed that he would seek relevant information from the Home Secretary.

4. Adjournment Motion (No. 6) given notice of by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and Comrade Bhan Singh Bhaura was held over.

VI. A Resolution by the Chief Minister

The Chief Minister moved [that—

"Whereas the High Court of Punjab and Haryana has declared the two Punjab Appropriation Acts, Nos. 9 and 10 of 1968 to be *ultra vires* the Constitution, by its judgment dated May 10 1968, and

Whereas an appeal has been preferred from the said judgment to the Supreme Court of India and the said appeal is pending and

Whereas the Supreme Court, by order dated May 13, 1968 has permitted the State Government to withdraw and utilise the necessary funds and collect taxes etc. subject to such liabilities or rights as may be determined by the Supreme Court; and

Whereas the Solicitor General appearing for the Government gave an assurance to the Court that necessary steps would be taken by the Chief Minister immediately to convene the legislative Assembly; and

Whereas the Chief Minister advised the Government to summon the Assembly before May 21, 1968; and

Whereas the Governor has been pleased to summon the Assembly under Article 174 of the Constitution for May 20, 1968.

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Now, therefore the legislative Assembly resolves to approve and hereby approves the action of the State Government in preferring appeal to the Supreme Court from the above said judgment of the High Court."

The Speaker disallowed the resolution on the ground that it covered a matter which was under the adjudication of the Supreme Court.

VII. First report of the Business Advisory Committee

The Speaker presented the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee. The motion moved by the Finance Minister "that this House agrees with the recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee" was carried.

VIII. Presentation of the second and third reports of the Committee of Privileges

Shri Lal Chand Suberwal, Chairman, Committee of Privileges presented :—

(1) the Second Report of the Committee of Privileges on the question of privilege regarding the matter referred to the Committee by the Speaker relating to Sardar Baldev Singh and other Members about the happenings of the 5th May, 1967.

(2) the Third Report of the Committee of Privileges on the question of privilege regarding publication of certain objectionable remarks in the Weekly "Dihati Janta" Jullundur, in its issue dated the 27th December, 1967, casting reflection on the Speaker.

IX. Resolution for election of members on the Public Accounts Committee

Motion moved by the Chief Minister —

"that the members of this House do proceed to elect in the manner required by sub rule (3) of Rule 250 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly, nine members from among themselves to serve as members of the Committee of Public Accounts for the year 1968-69" was carried.

X. Resolution for election of members on the Estimates Committee

Motion moved by the Chief Minister—

"that the members of this House do proceed to elect in the manner required by sub-rule (2) of Rule 252 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly, nine members from among themselves to serve as the members of the Committee on Estimates for the year 1968-69" was carried.

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XI. Motion regarding nomination of three M.L.Cs. each on the Public Accounts Committee and Estimates Committee

The Chief Minister moved—

> "that this House recommends to the Punjab Vidhan Parishad that they do agree to nominate three members from the Vidhan Parishad to associate with the Public Accounts Committee and three members to associate with the Committee on Estimates of the Vidhan Sabha for the year 1968-69 and to communicate to this House the names of the members so nominated by the Vidhan Parishad" was carried.

XII. Legislative Business

1. The Northern India Canal and Drainage (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1967.

On the motion moved by the Minister of State for Irrigation and Power—

> "that the Northern India Canal and Drainage (Punjab Amendment) Bill, as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad, be taken into consideration"

five Members from the Opposition and three from the Treasury Benches took part in the discussion and spoke for 18 and 4 minutes, respectively.

The Minister of State for Irrigation and Power by way of reply spoke for 5 minutes. After the motion for consideration had been passed, the Bill was considered clause by clause.

Clauses 2,3,4,5,1 and the Title of the Bill were carried.

Before the Bill was passed, the Chief Minister claimed a division. This was opposed by the opposition as they were not contesting the passing of the Bill.

The motion moved by the Minister of State for Irrigation and Power that the Bill be passed was then carried unanimously.

2. The Punjab Public Premises and Land (Eviction and Rent Recovery) Amendment Bill, 1967.

On an objection being raised by a member of the Opposition that the provision in the Bill to repeal the Ordinance which had already lapsed, was redundant, the Chief Minister agreed to keep pending the consideration of the Bill to examine the legal aspect of the contention.

3. The Punjab Courts (Amendment) Bill, 1967.

On the motion moved by the Chief Minister—

> "that the Punjab Courts (Amendment) Bill, as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad, be taken into consideration"

no one stood up to speak. The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

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Clauses 2, 1 and the Title of the Bill were carried.

The Chief Minister moved that the Bill be passed.

Four Members from the Opposition and three from the Treasury Benches spoke for 12 and 5 minutes, respectively.

The Chief Minister by way of reply spoke for 5 minutes.

The motion was carried.

4. *The Punjab Gram Panchayat (Amendment) Bill, 1967*

On the motion moved by the Minister of State for Public Works—

> "that the Punjab Gram Panchayat (Amendment) Bill, as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad, be taken into consideration"

one Member each from the Treasury and Opposition Benches spoke for 6 and 4 minutes, respectively.

Minister of State for Public Works, by way of reply, spoke for 4 minutes.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

Clauses 2, 3, 1 and the Title of the Bill were carried.

The Minister of State for Public Works moved that the Bill be passed.

The motion was carried.

5. *The Punjab Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishad (Amendment) Bill 1967.*

On the Motion moved by the Minister of State for Public Works:—

> "that the Punjab Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishad (Amendment) Bill, as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad, be taken ito consideration"

Two members from the Treasury and one from the Opposition Benches spoke for 13 and 12 minutes, respectively.

The Minister of State for Public Works by way of reply spoke for two minutes.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

Clauses 2, 3, 4, 5, 1 and the Title of the Bill were carried.

The Minister of State for Public Works moved that the Bill be passed.

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One Member from the Opposition spoke for 3 minutes. The Minister of State for Public Works, by way of reply, spoke for one minute.

The motion was carried.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 4. 36 p. m. to 5.16 p. m.

The House then adjourned till 2. 00 p.m. on Tuesday, the 21st May, 1968.

BULLETIN NO. 2

Tuesday, the 21st May, 1968.

(from 2. 00 p. m. to 6-30 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred :

Asking of questions commenced with Starred Question No. 1111 printed in the List of Questions for the 21st May, 1968.

Total No. on the Order Paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	No. of Supplementaries
3	3	—	—	9

(b) Unstarred—Nil

II. Call-Attention Notices

1. Call-Attention Notice given by S. Balwant Singh regarding 'serious situation already created by calculated attempts on the part of State Government to smash the 'Hindu-Sikh unity fabric',

2. Call-Attention Notice (No. 3) given by Dr. Baldev Parkash regarding 'acute scarcity of articles of daily consumption in the State',

3. Call-Attention Notice (No. 4) given by Shri Manmohan Kalia regarding 'the situation arising out of the hunger strike resorted to by certain employees of the Punjab Roadways since 11th May, 1968,

4. Call Attention Notice (No. 5) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang regarding 'the serious discontentment arising out of the discriminatory attitude of the Government in the matter of pay revision',

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5. Call-Attention Notice (No. 6) given by Comrade Sat Pal Dang and others regarding 'the acute discontentment among the industrial workers of the State due to the failure of the Government to renew the appointment of the Presiding Officer, Labour Court, Jullundur',

6. Call-Attention Notice (No. 7) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and others regarding 'the acute discontentment that has arisen among the peasants of the State, because of the reported decision of the Government to permit the re-imposition of the Octroi duty on the Food grains etc. by Urban Local Bodies',

7. Call-Attention Notice (No. 8) given by Comrade Sat Pal Dang regarding 'the failure/refusal of the Government to implement the Act providing for the exemption of land revenue up to holdings of five standard acres',

8. Call-Attention Notice (No. 9) given by Chaudhri Satya Dev regarding 'injustice being done to the tenants of Abohar Seed Farm', and

9. Call-Attention Notice (No. 10) given by Sardar Shangara Singh regarding 'great resentment among the candidates due to non-declaration of the result of the P. C. S. executive examination held in 1965'

were admitted and the Government was asked to make statements in respect thereof.

III ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

1. The Speaker refused to allow discussion on the Adjournment Motion given notice of by Shri A. Vishwanathan in connection with the alleged demolition of Gita Bhawan at Ludhiana, but agreed to convert it into a Call-Attention Motion. The Chief Minister made a statement in this connection. The hon. Member was permitted to ask a question on the statement for seeking clarification on points arising out of the statement.

The Speaker undertook to make an on the spot enquiry into the matter as desired by the House and report to the House.

2. The Speaker agreed to convert the Adjournment Motion (No. 6) given notice of by Shri Satya Pal Dang into a Call-Attention Notice regarding 'the failure of the Government to reinstate all the employees of Punjab Roadways, who went on strike from 26th February, 1968 to 1st March, 1968'.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENT BY SECRETARY

I beg to lay on the Table of the House a statement showing the Bills which were passed by the Punjab State Legislature during its November-December, 1967 Session and which have since been assented to by the President of India/Governor of Punjab :—

1. The Punjab Requisitioning and Acquisition of Immovable Property (Amendment) Bill, 1967.
2. The Punjab Local Authorities (Aided Schools) Amendment Bill, 1967.

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3. The Punjab Cattle Fairs (Regulation) Bill, 1967.

4. The Punjab Ayurvedic and Unani Practitioners (Amendment and Validation) Bill, 1967.

V. ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

Panel of Chairmen :

1. Pandit Mohan Lal.
2. Shri Lal Chand Suberwal.
3. Shri Surjit Singh (Barnala).
4. Dr. Bhagat Singh.

VI. CENSURE MOTION AGAINST A DEPUTY MINISTER

The Speaker reserved his decision on the Censure Motion sought to be moved by Shri Harbans Lal Khanna against S. Karnail Singh Marhari, Deputy Minister.

VII. LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

1. The Punjab Legislative Assembly (Allowances of Members) Amendment, Bill, 1968

The Minister of Parliamentary Affairs introduced the Punjab Legislative Assembly (Allowances of Members) Amendment, Bill 1968 and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

Four Members each from the Treasury and Opposition Benches spoke for 35 and 29 minutes, respectively.

Closure Motion

The Minister for Parliamentary Affairs moved a closure motion at 4.04 p.m.

The motion was carried.

The Chief Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 12 minutes.

Point of Personal Explanation

S. Harkishan Singh Surjit gave a Personal Explanation in respect of certain matters said about him in the discussion.

The motion for the consideration of the Bill was moved and was carried.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause

Clause 2

One member from the Treasury Benches spoke for 14 minutes.

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Point of Personal Explanation

Shri Lal Chand Suberwal gave a Personal Explanation in respect of certain matters said about him by Ch. Darshan Singh.

Amendment to Clause 2 given notice of by three members was declared out of order by the Chair.

Clause 2 was carried.

Clause 1 and the Title of the Bill were carried.

The Minister for Parliamentary Affairs moved that the Bill be passed.

One Member from the Opposition spoke for 20 minutes.

Point of Personal Explanation

The Chief Minister gave Personal Explanation.

The motion that the Bill be passed was carried.

2. *The Punjab Legislative Council (Allowances of Memberrs) Amendment, Bill, 1968.*

The Minister for Parliamentary Affairs introduced the Punjab Legislative Council (Allowances of Members) Amendment, Bill, 1968 and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was carried.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

Clause 2, 1 and the Title of the Bill were carried.

The Minister for Parliamentary Affairs moved that the Bill be passed.

The Motion was carried.

3. *The Punjab Cattle Fairs (Regulation) Amendment Bill, 1968.*

The Minister of State for Public Works introduced the Punjab Cattle-Fairs (Regulation) Amendment Bill, 1968 and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was carried.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

Clause 2—

An amendment to substitute "exhibition for general sale or purchase of cattle" for "exhibition of cattle" moved by a member from Treasury Benches was carried.

Clause 2, as amended, was carried.

Clause 1 and the Title of the Bill were carried.

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The Minister of State for Public Works moved that the Bill be passed.

The motion was carried.

4. The Punjab Land Revenue (Amendment) Bill, 1968

The Minister for Local Government introduced the Punjab Land Revenue (Amendment) Bill, 1968 and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

Four members from the Treasury and two from the Opposition Benches spoke for 20 and 8 minutes, respectively.

The Chief Minister moved for the withdrawal of the Bill.

The Bill was, by the leave of the House, withdrawn.

5. The Punjab Ice Price Control Bill, 1968.

The Minister for Food and Supplies introduced the Punjab Ice Price Control Bill, 1968 and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

Three members from the Opposition and two from the Treasury Benches spoke for 22 minutes and 21 minutes respectively.

Shri Sat Pal Dang was on his legs when the House rose for the day.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 3.12 p.m. to 5.07 p. m.

The House then adjourned till 2 00 p. m. on Wednesday, the 22nd May, 1968.

BULLETIN No. 3

Wednesday, the 22nd May, 1968

(From 2.00 p.m. to 4.08 p.m.)

I. Questions

List of Starred Questions for 22nd May, 1968 was taken up.

Total number of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	No. of Supplementaries
3	3	Nil	21

(b) Unstarred..... Nil

II. Privilege Motion

The Speaker reserved his ruling on the Privilege Motion given notice of by Shri A. Vishwanathan (No. 2) regarding 'the matter involving the stoppage of the Car of the Speaker by the Police on the 18th March, 1968'.

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III. Call-Attention Notices

1. Call Attention Notice (No. 11 given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and others regarding 'the failure of the Government to take and announce a definite decision regarding the recommendation of the adhoc Sub-Committee of the Cabinet on the demands of the border area people';

2. Call-Attention Notice (No. 12) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and others regarding 'the failure of the Government to make up its mind and announce its decision regarding the proposal to enact legislation to link wages of Industrial workers with the cost of living index';

3. Call-Attention Notice (No. 14) given by Comrade Bhan Singh Bhaura and others regarding 'the Government's reactionary step in reversing the decision of the Front Government to distribute surplus evacuee land among agricultural workers and poor peasants';

4. Call-Attention Notice (No. 15) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and others regarding 'the serious discontentment among the public of Bhatinda as a result of forced vasectomy operation performed against the wishes of certain residents of Bhatinda in the month of March, 1968';

5. Call-Attention Notice (No. 19) given by Shri A. Vishwa nathan regarding 'the act of great irresponsibility of the Government of Punjab in spending a huge amount of money in inviting and making arrangements for the stay of Shri Mahesh Yogi and his troupe as State Guests';

6. Call-Attention Notice (No. 21) given by Shri A. Vishwanathan regarding 'the threat of the College teachers in the State and the agitation of the Private School teachers against non-fulfilment of promises given to them by the Government';

7. Call-Attention Notice (No. 22) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and others regarding 'the great resentment among the citizens and property-owners in the State on the basis of the report of the Chief Minister of the present Government to recover the property tax from every body with effect from this year';

8. Call-Attention Notice (No. 26) given by Comrade Dalip Singh Tapiala regarding 'atrocities to which poor peasants of the State are being subjected to in the realisation of taccavi loans in the State during these days when they are awfully busy in harvesting and thrashing the crops';

9. Call-Attention Notice (No. 27) given by Comrade Munsha Singh regarding 'advertisement issued by the S. S. S. Board inviting applications for filling some vacancies of Classical Vernacular Teachers and Art and Craft Teachers when teachers of these categories already selected by the Board are still going unemployed', and

10. Call-Attention Notice (No. 28) given by Lt. Bhag Singh regarding 'delay on the part of the Government in the disbursement of the grants for the purchase of pigs to the members of Scheduled Castes'.

Were admitted and the Govenment was asked to make statements in respect thereof.

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IV. Adjournment Motions converted into Call-Attention Notices

Adjournment Motion (No. 8) given notice of by Shri Satya Pal Dang regarding 'the failure of the Government to take any action against the S. H. O. Samana who beat up and used third degree methods against a journalist' and

a similar motion (No. 9) by Shri A. Vishwanathan were converted into Call-Attention Notices.

V. Statements Laid on the Table

(i) By the Food and Supplies and Health Minister—

On Call-Attention Notice No. 3

(ii) By the Revenue and Local Government Minister—

On Call-Attention Notice No. 7

VI. Motion for Adjournment Sine-die under rule 16

The motion moved by the Chief Minister 'that the Assembly at its rising this day shall stand adjourned sine-die' was carried.

VII. Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee

The Speaker presented the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee. The motion moved by the Finance Minister that 'this House agrees with the recommendations contained in Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee' was carried.

VIII. Legislative Business

Resumption of discussion on the motion that the Punjab Ice Price Control Bill, 1968 be taken into consideration at once

Shri Satya Pal Dang, who was on his legs on the 21st May, 1968 resumed his speech and spoke for 5 minutes. The Chief Minister, by Way of reply spoke for 4 minutes.

The motion that the Bill be taken into consideration at once was carried.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

Sub-clause (2) of clause 1 was carried.

Clause—2

Three amendments moved by Pt. Mohan Lal and Shri Satya Pal Dang were carried and the rest were not moved.

Clause 2 as amended was carried.

Clause—3

One amendment moved by Pt. Mohan Lal and Shri Satya Pal Dang and two by Pt. Mohan Lal alone were carried. The other amendments were not moved.

Clause 3, as amended, was carried.

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Clause—4

An amendment moved by Pt. Mohan Lal was carried.

Clause 4, as amended, was carried.

Clause—5

All the amendments to the clause were either lost or not moved.

Clause 5 was carried.

Clause—6

Two amendments moved by Pt. Mohan Lal and Shri Satya Pal Dang were carried and the rest were lost or not moved.

Clause 6, as amended, was carried.

Clause—7

Two amendments moved by Pt. Mohan Lal were carried.

Clause 7, as amended, was carried.

Clause—8

All the amendments to the clause were lost.

Clause 8 was carried.

Clause—9

An amendment moved by Pt. Mohan Lal was carried and the rest were not moved.

Clause 9, as amended, was carried.

Sub-clause (1) of Clause 1 and the Title of the Bill were carried.

The Minister for Food and Supplies and Health moved that the Bill, as amended, be passed.

The motion was carried.

The House then adjourned *sine-die*.

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PREFACE

The following pages contain Resume of Business transacted by the Fifth Vidhan Sabha during its 1st Session held in March-April, 1969 together with the bulletins issued daily after the adjournment of each sitting of the Sabha.

It is hoped that the publication would be found useful by Members and others who may wish to know in detail what work was done each day by the Vidhan Sabha in the 1st Session

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14th March, 1969 (Morning Sitting) (10.00 A.M. to 10.45 A.M.)	(i) Oath or Affirmation by the Members. (ii) Election of Speaker.
14th March, 1969 (Afternoon Sitting) (3.30 P.M.)	Governor's Address to the members of both the Houses assembled together.
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17th March, 1969 (2.00 P.M. to 6.30 P.M.)	(i) References to the deaths of the late— (a) Shri B. Vaikunta Baliga, Speaker of Mysore Legislative Assembly. (b) Dr. Anup Singh, M.P. (c) Babu Sohan Singh Bakhna, a great revolutionary. (d) Mr. C. N. Annadurai, Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu. (e) Dr. Gokul Chand Narang, Ex-M.L.A. (f) Jathedar Mohan Singh Nagoke, Ex-M.L.A. (g) Shri Darbari Lal Sharma, Chairman of the U.P. Legislative Council. (h) Dr. Sampurana Nand, Ex-Governor, Rajasthan. (i) Sir Homi Modi, Ex-Governor, U.P. (ii) Discussion of the Governor's Address (Continued on the 18th March, 1969).
18th March, 1969 (2.00 P.M. to 4.45 P.M.)	(i) Presentation of the Supplementary Estimates (Second Instalment) for the year 1968-69.

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	(iv) Presentation and adoption of the first Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
2nd April, 1969 (Morning Sitting) (9.00 A.M. to 1.00 P.M.)	General discussion of the Budget for the year 1969-70 (Continued afternoon Sitting).

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3rd April, 1969 (Morning Sitting) : (9.00 A.M. to 1.00 P.M.)	Non-Official Business—Resolutions— (Resumption of discussion on the following resolution moved by Comrade Babu Singh Master, M.L.A. on the 20th March, 1969:— "This House recommends to the Government to take steps to see that the flat rate charged for electricity consumed by tube-wells in the State is abolished with immediate effect." (Continned on the 10th April, 1969).
3rd April, 1969 (Afternoon Sitting) : (2.00 P.M. to 6.30 P.M.)	(i) Presentation and adoption of the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee. (ii) Resumption of general discussion of the Budget for the year 1969-70. (Continued on the 7th April, 1969).
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10th April, 1969 (2.00 P.M. to 6.30 P.M.)	Non-Official Business Resolution— (1) (Resumption of discussion on the following resolution moved by Comrade Babu Singh Master, M.L.A. on the 20th March 1969) :—

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24th April, 1969 (2.00 P,M. to 5.40 P.M.)	(i) Official Resolution under Article 169 of the Constitution of India regarding the abolition of the Punjab Legislative Council.

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25th April, 1969 (Afternoon Sitting) (2.30 P.M. to 8.00 P.M.)	(i) Motions regarding adjournment of the House *sine die*. (ii) Discussion on No-Confidence Motion under rule 65. (lost).

SUMMONING, SITTINGS AND PROROGATION OF THE FIFTH VIDHAN SABHA DURING ITS FIRST SESSION

The Fifth Punjab Vidhan Sabha was summoned to meet for its 1st (Budget) Session, 1969, in the Hall of the Punjab Vidhan Bhavan, Chandigarh, on Thursday, the 13th March, 1969, by an Order of the Governor, dated the 27th February, 1969, and continued to meet till the 25th April, 1969, when it was adjourned *sine die*. It was later prorogued by an Order of the Governor, dated the 2nd May, 1969.

During the Session, the Sabha held 29 sittings, excluding the one when the Governor, addressed members of both the Houses assembled together. The Sabha held two sittings on the 14th March, 2nd, 3rd and 25th April, 1969.

ELECTION OF SPEAKER AND DEPUTY SPEAKER

The Vidhan Sabha elected Sardar Darbara Singh and Brigadier Bikramjit Singh as Speaker and Deputy Speaker on the 14th and 20th March, 1969, respectively.

PANEL OF CHAIRMEN

On the 17th March, 1969, the Speaker nominated the following on the Panel of Chairmen under rule 13(1) :—

(1) Sardar Jasdev Singh.

(2) Sardar Shashpal Singh.

(3) Sardar Harcharan Singh Brar.

(4) Sardar Basant Singh (Dakala).

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COMMITTEES

1. BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEES

(Nominated on the 17th March, 1969, under Rule 33(1) and (3)

(1) The Speaker, *Ex-officio* Chairman.

(2) Sardar Gurmit Singh.

(3) Sardar Balwant Singh.

(4) Captain Rattan Singh.

(5) Comrade Satya Pal Dang.

SPECIAL INVITEES

(6) Shri Krishan Lal, Finance Minister.

(7) Sardar Harcharan Singh Brar.

(8) Sardar Umrao Singh (Nominated on 25th March, 1969).

2. COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES

(Nominated on the 25th April, 1969 under Rule 274 (1) and (2).

(1) Sardar Jasdev Singh Sandhu, Chairman.

(2) Sardar Basant Singh (Dakala).

(3) Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi.

(4) Sardar Harcharan Singh Brar.

(5) Giani Kundan Singh Patang.

(6) Kanwar Lajinder Singh Bedi.

(7) Sardar Mohinder Singh Sayanwala.

(8) Sardar Ravel Singh.

(9) Sardar Shashpal Singh.

(10) Sardar Surjit Singh Atwal.

3. RULES COMMITTEE

(Nominated on the 25th April, 1969, under Rule 254)

(1) The Speaker,—*Ex-officio* Chairman.

(2) Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal.

(3) Shri Gurdial Saini.

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(4) Sardar Jasdev Singh Sandhu.

(5) Sardar Majinder Singh Behla.

(6) Sardar Mohinder Singh Babehali.

(7) Captain Rattan Singh.

(8) Sardar Tara Singh Lyallpuri.

4. COMMITTEE ON SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION

(Nominated on the 25th April, 1969, under Rule 265-B(1) and (2).

(1) Sardar Surjit Singh (Barnala),—*Chairman.*

(2) Sardar Bachan Singh Pakho.

(3) Sardar Balbir Singh Banur.

(4) Shri Kewal Krishan.

(5) Sardar Parshotam Singh.

(6) Sardar Randhir Singh Cheema.

(7) Sardar Umrao Singh.

(8) The Advocate-General.

5. ADHOC COMMITTEE

(Appointment of an Adhoc Committee on 25th April, 1969 to enquire into the matter relating to the entry of Police/outsiders in the House on 18th March, 1968.)

1. Brig. Bikarmajit Singh Bajwa, Deputy Speaker,—Chairman.

3. Major Harinder Singh (Leader of the Opposition).

3. Comrade Satya Pal Dang.

4. Sardar Gurmit Singh.

5. Sardar Shashpal Singh.

6. COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ASSURANCES

(Nominated on 25th April, 1969, under Rule 261(1) and (2)).

1. Bhagat Guran Das Hans—Chairman.

2. Comrade Babu Singh Master.

3. Shri Bal Mukand Sharma.

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4. Sardar Gurdip Singh Shaheed.

5. Sardar Gurmej Singh.

6. Bawa Harnam Singh.

7. H. H. Nawab Iftikhar Ali Khan.

8. Sardar Partap Singh (Kadian).

9. Sardar Santokh Singh Randhawa.

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7. COMMITTEE ON PETITIONS

[Nominated on 25th April, 1969, under Rule 293(*1*).]

1. Brigadier Bikarmjit Singh Bajwa (Deputy Speaker) Ex. Officio Chairman.

2. Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda

3. Sardar Naurang Singh

4. Sardar Pritam Singh Samana

5. Sardar Ravel Singh

GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS.

The Governor addressed members of both the Houses assembled together on Friday, the 14th March, 1969 at 3.30 p. m.

The Speaker laid a copy of the Governor's Address before the Sabha on the 17th March, 1969.

The motion of thanks on the Address was moved by Sardar Balwant Singh and seconded by Shri Man Mohan Kalia on the 17th March, 1969. The motion was discussed on—

The 17th March, 1969	..For 136 minutes (Treasury 100 minutes and Opposition 36 minutes).
The 18th March, 1969	..For 103 minutes (Treasury 20 minutes, Opposition 13 minutes, C.P. I. 40 minutes and S. S. P. 30 minutes.
The 19th March, 1969	..For 294 minutes (Treasury 121 minutes, Opposition 125 minutes, Swatantra Party 14 minutes, P. S. P. 19 minutes and C. P. I. (Marxist) 15 minutes.

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Twenty members took part in the discussion, 9 from the Treasury (including the Chief Minister) and 6 from the Opposition, one member each from C. P. I., S. S. P., Swatantra, P. S. P. and C. P. I. (Marxist) speaking for 245 minutes and 288 minutes, respectively .

All the amendments moved to the motion of Thanks were either lost or withdrawn. The motion was carried on the 19th March, 1969.

It was communicated by the Speaker the same day to the Governor whose acknowledgement was read out to the House on the 26th March, 1969.

REFERENCES

Reference to the deaths of the following were made by the Chief Minister and the Leader of the Opposition and other members of the Vidhan Sabha on the dates mentioned against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the deceased	Date on which reference was made
1.	Shri B. Vaikunta Baliga, Speaker of Mysore Legislative Assembly.	
2.	Dr. Anup Singh, M. P.	
3.	Baba Sohan Singh Bakhna, a great revolutionary.	
4.	Mr. C. N. Annadurai, Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu.	17th March, 1969
5.	Dr. Gokul Chand Narang, Ex-M. L. A.	
6.	Jathedar Mohan Singh Nagoke , Ex-M. L. A.	
7.	Shri Darbari Lal Sharma, Chairman of the U.P. Legislative Council.	
8.	Dr. Sampurana Nand, Ex-Governor, Rajasthan.	
9.	Sir Homi Modi, Ex-Governor, U. P.	
10.	M. H. S. Nihal Singh, M. L. C.	.. 1st April, 1969

The Speaker associated himself with the sentinments expressed. All the members stood in silence for two minutes on each occasion as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased.

Messages of condolences and sympthy on behalf of the Vidhan Sabha were sent as under :—

Name of deceased	Name of next of Kin/ authority.
1	2
1. Shri B. Vaikunta Baliga, Speaker of Mysore Legislative Assembly.	The Secretary, Mysore Legislative Assembly, Bengalore.
2. Dr. Anup Singh, M. P.	The Deputy Commissioner, Karnal.

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1	2
3. Baba Sohan Singh Bakhna, a great revolutionary.	The Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.
4. Mr. C. N. Annadurai, Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu	The Chief Secretary to Government, Tamil Nadu, Madras.
5. Dr. Gokul Chand Narang, Ex-M. L. A.	The Deputy Commissioner, Delhi.
6. Jathedar Mohan Singh Nagoke, Ex-M. L. A.	The Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.
7. Shri Darbari Lal Sharma, Chairman of the U. P. Legislative Council.	The Secretary, Uttar Pradesh Legislative Council, Lucknow.
8. Dr. Sampurana Nand, Ex-Governor, Rajasthan.	The Chief Secretary to Government, Uttar Pradesh, Lucknow.
9. Sir Homi Modi, Ex-Governor, U. P.	The Chief Secretary to Government, Uttar Pradesh, Lucknow
10. M. H. S. Nihal Singh, M. L. C.	Sardarni Satwant Kaur, 3649-Id Gah Road, New Delhi.

FINANCIAL BUSINESS.

I. SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES (SECOND INSTALMENT) FOR THE YEAR, 1968-69.

(i) Supplementary Estimates (Second Instalment) for the year 1968-69, were presented to the Sabha on the 18th March, 1969, and discussed and voted upon the 21st March, 1969.

There were 24 demands in all, totalling a sum of Rs. 19,75,34,370.

In accordance with the past practice a general discussion on all the Supplementary Demands was permitted. Four members from the Treasury Benches (including the Finance Minister), four members from Opposition and one each belonging to the C. P. I., S. S. P. and P. S. P. participated in the Debate, speaking for 77 minutes, 48 minutes, 25 minutes, 5 minutes and 15 minutes, respectively. All the demands were put to vote together and carried.

(ii) **The Punjab Appropriation Bill, 1969** :—The Punjab Appropriation Bill, 1969 (Bill No. 2-PLA of 1969), in respect of the Supplementary Demands voted by the Sabha on the 21st March, 1969, was introduced on the 24th March, 1969. It was before the Sabha for 40 minutes.

One member from the S. S. P. and two members from Opposition took part in the discussion and spoke for 10 minutes and 15 minutes respectively. The Finance Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 10 minutes.

The Bill was passed.

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II. THE VOTE ON ACCOUNT 1969-70 (FOR FOUR MONHTS, i. e., FOR APRIL, MAY, JUNE, AND JULY, 1969.)

(i) The Vote on account 1969-70 (For four months, i.e., for April, May June, and July, 1969), was presented to the Sabha on the 25th March, 1969, and discussed and voted upon on the 26th March, 1969.

There were 50 demands in all totalling a sum of Rs. 1,59,93,74,330.

On the motion moved by the Finance Minister, that Vote-on-Account for four months viz., April, May, June and July, 1969, amounting to Rs, 1,59,93,74 thousands as detailed in the Schedule thereto be taken into consideration at once and passed. Three members from Treasury Benches including the Finance Minister and one member from the Opposition spoke for 17 minutes and 15 minutes, respectively. The motion was put and carried.

(ii) **The Punjab Appropriation (Vote on Account) Bill, 1969**.—The Punjab Appropriation (vote on Account) Bill, 1969 (Bill No. 5-PLA of 1969) in respect of the Vote on Account for four months i.e. from April, May, June and July 1969, was introduced on the 26th March, 1969.

It was before the Sabha for 31 minutes.

One member each from C. P. I., S. S. P. and Opposition spoke for 11, 9 and 1 minutes respectively. The Finance Minister, by way of reply spoke for 5 minutes.

The Bill was passed.

III. BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 1969-70

(i) The Budget Estimates for the year 1969-70 were presented to the House by the Finance Minister on the 25th March, 1969.

General Discussion.—The General discussion on the Budget was held on the —

2nd April (Morning sitting)	..For 155 minuttes (Treasury 41 minutes, Opposition 67 minutes , S. S. P. 22 minutes and C.P.I .. 25 minutes.)
2nd April (Afternoon sitting)	..For 240 minutes (Treasury 65 minutes, Opposition 139 minutes, C. P. I. (M) 16 minutes and Swatantra Party 20 minutes).
3rd April (Afternoon sitting)	..For 233 minutes (Treasury 84 minutes, Opposition 90 minutes, Janta Party 40 minutes and Independent 19 minutes).
7th April	..For 87 minutes (Treasury 22 minutes, P. S. P. 25 minutes, Opposition 20 minutes and S.S.P. 20 minutes.

The total time taken by the Treasury Benches was 212 minutes by Opposition 316 minutes, by S.S.P. 42, minutes C.P.I. 25 minutes, C.P.I. (M) 16 minutes, Swatantra Party 20 minutes, Janta Party 40 minutes, Independent 19 minutes and P. S. P. 25 minutes. The total number of members who participated in the discussion was 38 (14 from the Treasury Benches

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including the Chief Minister 16 from the Opposition, 2 from S.S.P.,1 C.P.I., C.P.I.(M) 1 Swatantra Party, 1 Janta Party, 1 Independent and 1 from P.S.P.

(ii) **Demands for Grants.**—There were in all 50 Demands for Grants totalling a sum of Rs. 3,34,57,46,030.

Demands No. 9 and 12 :—19,41,26,27,28,43 and 44; 16 and 17, 22, 42 and 24 were specifically discussed in groups and voted upon separately except Demands No. 22, 42 and 24 which were put to the Sabha on the 15th April, 1969 and carried after guillotine. The rest of Demands numbering 36 were put together and carried. For details see statement at page 15 and 16 infra.

(iii) **The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1969** .—The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1969, (Bill No.7-PLA of 1969) in respect of the demands Voted by the Sabha was introduced on the 16th April, 1969.

It was before the House for 140 minutes, three members from the Treasury Benches including Finance Minister), three from the Opposition, one member each from C.P.I. (M), P.S.P. and Swatantra Party participated in the debate speaking for 41 minutes, 52 minutes, 12 minutes, 15 minutes and 10 minutes, respectively.

The Bill was passed.

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BUDGET ESTIMATES

Detailed statement showing the number of amendments moved and the number of speeches made in respect of demands/ Group of Demands and the dates on which they were discussed.

Serial No.	Demand No.	Subject	Date on which discussed	Number of speeches							Time taken in minutes							Amendments proposed							Amendments	
				Treasury	Opposition	C.P.I.	Swatantra	S. S. P.	P.S.P.	C.P.I. (M)	Treasury	Opposition	C.P.I.	Swatantra	S.S.P.	P.S.P.	C.P.I. (M)	Treasury	Opposition	C.P.I.	Swatantra	S.S.P.	P.S.P.	C.P.I. (M)	Withdrawn	Lost
1	9	19—General Administration ..	8-4-1969	4	3	1	1	..	..	..	71	46	20	8	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	1	..	2	2
	12	23—Police ..									..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	1
2	19	31—Agriculture ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	1	..	1	3
	41	95—Capital Outlay on Schemes of Agricultural Improvement and Research ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	26	42—Multipurpose River Schemes ..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	50	..	15	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
	27	43—Irrigation, Navigation, Embankment and Drainage works (commercial) ..	9-4-1969	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
		44—Irrigation, Navigation, Embankment and Drainage Works (Non-Commercial) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
	28	Charges on Irrigation Establishment ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	43	98—Capital Outlay on Multipurpose River Schemes	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	44	99—Capital Outlay on Irrigation, Navigation Embankment and Drainage Works (Commercial)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
3	16	28—Education ..	11-4-69	6	3	1	1	..	1	..	79	57	15	15	..	15	..	..	1	2	..	..	1	..	2	2
	17	29—Medical ..																								
4	22	35—Industries ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	1	2
	42	96—Capital Outlay on Industrial and Economic Development ..	15-4-69	4	3	1	..	1	..	1	49	32	18	..	19	..	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	24	38—Labour and Employment ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..

N. B.—Rest of the Demands for Grants were also disposed of on the 15thApril, 1969

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LEGISLATION

The Sabha transacted legislative business on the —
24th March,

26th March, and

16th April, 1969.

It passed 9 Bills in all (including three Appropriation Bills and two received from the Vidhan Parishad (*See* Tables I and II).

Two Official Bills which were published under the proviso to rule 129 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly stood lapsed on the propogation of the Vidhan Sabha under rule 7 *ibid* (See Table III).

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Serial No.	Title of the Bill	Minister Introducing	Date of Introduction	Date of Consideration	Number of Speeches								Time taken in Minutes								Amendments			P
					Treasury	Opposition	C.P.I.	C.P.I. (M)	P.S.P.	S.S.P.	J. Party	Swatantra	Treasury	opposition	C.P.I.	C.P.I. (M)	P.S.P.	S.S.P.	J. Party	Swatantra	Treasury	Opposition	C.P.I.	
1	The Punjab Appropriation Bill, 1969	Finance Minister	24-3-69	24-3-69	1	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	10	15	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	
2	The Punjab Appropriation (Vote on Account) Bill, 1969	Finance Minister	26-3-69	26-3-69	1	1	1	..	..	1	..	..	5	1	11	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	
3	The Land Acquisition (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1969	Revenue Minister	1-4-69	21-4-69	2	2	1	..	..	1	..	..	3	2	4	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	
4	The Pepsu Township Development Board (Amendment) Bill, 1969	Chief Minister	16-4-69	21-4-69	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	
5	The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill 1969	Finance Minister	16-4-69	16-4-69	3	3	..	1	1	..	..	1	41	52	..	12	15	..	..	10	..	..	..	
6	The Punjab Legislative Assembly (Allowances of Members) Amendment Bill, 1969	Finance Minister	21-4-69	21-4-69	3	6	2	1	1	1	..	..	18	16	14	3	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	
7	The Punjab Legislative Council (Allowances of Members) Amendment Bill, 1969	Finance Minister	21-4-69	21-4-69	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	

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TABLE 1

Proposed	Amendments Withdrawn							Amendents Carried												Total time taken for disposal in minutes including the time taken for stating the motion	Date of passing	Date of Transmission to Council	Date when received from the Council	Remarks
C.P.I.	C.P.I. (M)	P.S.P.	S.S.P.	J. Party	Swatantra	Treasury	Opposition	C.P.I.	C.P.I. (M)	P.S.P.	S.S.P.	J. Party	Swatantra	Treasury	Opposition	C.P.I.	C.P.I. (M)	P.S.P.	S.S.P.	J. Party	Swatantra				
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	40	24-3-69	24-3-69	26-3-69	
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	31	26-3-69	26-3-69	27-3-69	
..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13	21-4-69	21-4-69	24-4-69	
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	21-4-69	21-4-69	24-4-69	
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	140	16-4-69	16-4-69	18-4-69	
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	55	21-4-69	21-4-69	24-4-69	
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	21-4-69	21-4-69	24-4-69	

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TABLE II

Bills originating in and received from the Punjab Vidhan Parishad for concurrence of the Vidhan Sabha

Serial No.	Title of the Bill	Date of receipt	Date of consideration	Date of passing
1	The Punjab Ayurvedic and Unani Practitioners (Amendment) Bill, 1969 ..	17-4-69	21-4-69	21-4-69
2	The East Punjab Holdings (Consolidation and Prevention of Fragmentation) Validation Bill, 1969 ..	15-4-69	21-4-69	21-4-69

TABLE III

Bills which were published under the proviso to Rule 129 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha and stood lapsed on the prorogation of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha under Rule 7 *ibid.*

1. The Punjab Official Language (Amendment) Bill, 1969.

2. The Punjab Aided Schools (Security of Service) Bill, 1969.

Synopsis of the Bills passed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha during its Budget Session, 1969.

I. Bills Originating in the Vidhan Sabha

1. The Punjab Appropriation Bill, 1969 (Introduced on 24th March, 1969; passed on 24th March, 1969)

This Bill provides for the appropriation from and out of the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab of sums required to meet the Supplementary Grants made by the Vidhan Sabha and expenditure charged on the Consolited Fund of the State for the financial year 1968-69.

2. The Punjab Appropriation (Vote on Account) Bill, 1969 (Introduced on 26th March, 1969; passed on 26th March, 1969).

This Bill provides for the appropriation from and out of the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab of sums required to meet the grants made by the Vidhan Sabha and expenditure charged on the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab for a part of the financial year 1969-70.

3. The Land Acquisition (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1969 (Introduced on 1st April, 1969 ; passed on 21st April, 1969).

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This Bill amends the principal Act in its application to the State of Punjab to raise the rate of interest from four per centum per annum to six per centum per annum on the amount of compensation payable in respect of lands compulsorily required under the principal Act.

4. The Pepsu Townships Development Board (Amendment) Bill, 1969 (Introduced on 16th April, 1969 ; passed on 21st April, 1969).

This Bill amends the principal Act so as to provide that on the dissolution of the Pepsu Townships Development Board, Rajpura, the assets of the Board should vest in the State Government instead of Local authorities as provided in the existing section 44 of the principal Act.

5. The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1969 (Introduced on 16th April, 1969 ; passed on 16th April, 1969).

This Bill provides for the appropriation from and out of the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab of sums required to meet the grants made by the Vidhan Sabha and expenditure charged on the Consolidated Fund of the State for the financial year 1969-70.

6. The Punjab Legislative Assembly (Allowances of Members) Amendment Bill , 1969 (Introduced on 21st April, 1969 ; passed on 21st April, 1969).

This Bill amends the principal Act to enhance the Compensatory Allowances of members of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha from Rs. 300/-per mensem to Rs. 400 per mensem with effect from 13th March, 1969 or the date on which he takes his oath, whichever is later.

7. The Punjab Legislative Council (Allowances of Members) Amendment Bill, 1969 (Introduced on 21st April, 1969; passed on 21st April, 1969).

This Bill amends the principal Act to enhance the Compensatory Allowances of members of the Punjab Vidhan Parishad from Rs. 300 per mensem to Rs. 400/- per mensem with effect from 13th March, 1969 or the date on which he takes his oath, whichever is later.

II. *Bills originating in the Punjab Vidhan Parishad and received for the concurrence of the Vidhan Sabha.*

1. The Punjab Ayurvedic and Unani Practitioners (Amendment) Bill, 1969 (Discussed on 21st April, 1969 ; passed on 21st April, 1969).

This Bill amends the principal Act to restrict the right of Vote to the Vaids and Hakims residing in the reorganised Punjab State only.

It also extends the life of the interim Board by one year more.

2. The East Punjab Holdings (Consolidation and Prevention of Fragmentation) Validation Bill, 1969. (Discussed on 21st April, 1969 ; passed on 21st April, 1969).

This Bill provides to validate certain schemes made under the East Punjab Holdings (Consolidation and Prevention of Fragmentation) Act, 1948 and the Rules made thereunder.

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RESOLUTIONS

I. OFFICIAL

1. The following Official Resolution was moved on the 21st April, 1969, by the Chief Minister with a few observations:—

"Whereas, the Punjab Agricultural University constituted under the Punjab Agricultural University Act, 1961, is serving the needs of the successor States within the meaning of section 72 of the Punjab Reorganisation Act, 1966 ;

And whereas , it is intended that provision should be made by law to dissolve the operation of the existing Punjab Agricultural University for the State of Punjab, for vesting the rights and liabilities of the dissolved University in the University to be so set up and for all other matters connected therewith or incidental thereto ;

And whereas, legislation for the purpose mentioned above is relatable to matters enumerated in entries 11 and 32 of List II in the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution of India with respect to which Parliament has no power to make a law for the State except as provided in Articles 249 and 250 thereof ;

And whereas, it appears to this Assembly to be desirable that such legislation should be undertaken by Parliament ;

Now, therefore, in pursuance of clause (1) of Article 252 of the Constitution of India, this Assembly hereby resolves that Parliament shall by law make provision for the dissolution of the aforesaid Punjab Agricultural University in relation to the State of Punjab, for vesting the rights and liabilities of the University so dissolved in the University to be so set up and for all other matters connected therewith or incidental thereto."

Two members from the Opposition and one member from P.S.P., C.P.I. and S.S.P. took part in the discussion and spoke for 5 minutes, 2 minutes, 2 minutes and 3 minutes respectively.

This resolution was carried unanimously.

2. The following Official Resolution was also moved on the 24th April, 1969, by the Chief Minister :—

"Whereas, Clause (1) of Article 169 of the Constitution provides that notwithstanding anything in Article 168, Parliament may by law provide for the abolition of the Legislative Council of a State having a Council, if the Legislative Assembly of the State passes a resolution to that effect by a majority of the total membership of the Assembly and by a majority of not less than two-thirds of the members of the Assembly present and voting ;

And whereas, it appears to this Assembly that it is desirable to abolish the Legislative Council of this State ;

Now, therefore, this Assembly resolves that the Punjab Legislative Council be abolished.

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(2) This House recommends that Parliament be pleased to direct that the law which it may make in this behalf shall take effect from the date when the President of India gives his assent after the Parliament has passed necessary Legislation."

Two members from S.S.P., one from Swatantra Party, one from P.S.P., one from C.P.I. (M), one from C.P.I. and one Independent participated in the discussion and spoke for 5 minutes, 6 minutes, 2 minutes, 3 minutes and 3 minutes respectively. The Chief Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 7 minutes.

The Resolution was declared carried.

II. NON-OFFICAIL

	Total	Treasury	Opposition (Congress)	C.P.I.	C.P.I. (M)	S.S.P.	P.S.P.
1. Number of Notices received	210	12	183	11	1	1	2
2. Number admitted	77	1	63	10	1	1	1
3. Number disallowed	4	1	3	x	x	x	x
4. Number referred back	7	1	4	1	x	x	1
5. Number renewed	4	x	2	1	x	x	1
6. Number of Resolutions not dealt with because of the decision that not more than first ten admissible resolutions of a Member shall be admitted during this Session	110	x	110	x	x	x	x
7. Number of Resolutions not dealt with for want of fifteen clear days' notice	12	9	3	x	x	x	x
8. Total number of resolutions for ballot	81	1	65	11	1	1	2
9. Number of ballots held	Four						
10. Dates on which ballots held	15th and 28th March, 5th and 11th April, 1969.						
11. Dates on which business other than Government Business was transacted	20th March, 3rd, 10th and 17th April, 1969.						

Note.—According to the third Report of the Business Advisory Committee on Thursday, the 24th April, 1969 instead of non-official business, the following business was transacted :—

(i) official Resolution regarding the abolition of the Punjab Vidhan Parishad and

(ii) discussion on Financial Review of Pepsu Road Transport Corporation, 1965-66

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RESOLUTIONS (MOVED)

On Thursday, the 20th March, 1969, Comrade Babu Singh Master, by leave of the House, withdrew his Resolution (Serial No. 1) regarding the Abolition of the Punjab Vidhan Parishad.

Comrade Babu Singh Master, M.L.A. then moved the Resolution given notice of by Comrade Kulwant Singh, M.L.A., that :—

> "This House recommends to the Government to take steps to see that the flat rate charged for electricity consumed by tube-wells in the State is abolished with immediate effect."

This resolution was discussed on the 20th March, 3rd and 10th April, 1969 and thus remained before the House for eight hours and five minutes. Twenty Members from the Treasury Benches including the Chief Minister, fourteen Members from the Opposition (Congress), three Members from the C.P.I. and one Member from the C.P.I.(M), two Members from the S.S.P., one Member from the Swatantra and two Independents participated in the debate for 4.08 hours, 2.20 hours, 0.56 hours, 0.10 hours, 0.13, hours 0.03 hours and 0.15 hours respectively.

On the 10th April, 1969, the resolution was, by leave , withdrawn.

Thereafter (on the 10th April, 1969) Comrade Babu Singh Master, M.L.A. moved the next resolution viz. :

> "This House recommends to the Government that land revenue in the State on holdings of agricultural land not exceeding 10 acres be abolished."

It was discussed on the 10th and 17th April, 1969 and remained before the House for two hours and forty-seven minutes. Six Members, from the Treasury Benches, two Members from the Opposition (Congress), two Members from the C.P.I. and one Member from the Swatantra Party participated in the debate for 1.26 hours, 0.31 hours, 0.40 hours and 0.10 hours respectively. The amendments to the Resolution, notices of which had been received, were deemed to have been moved and discussed along with the Resolution.

(The resolution lapsed on prorogation.)

NO-CONFIDENCE MOTION

The motion "That this House expresses its want of confidence in the Ministry as a whole" given notice of by Captain Rattan Singh and Sardar Umrao Singh which was identical to the one given notice of by Chaudhri Ram Singh and Sardar Santokh Singh, M.L.A.s on the 24th April, 1969, having been held in order, leave to move the same was granted by the House on the 25th April, 1969 (Morning Sitting).

It was moved by Captain Rattan Singh, M.L.A. on the 25th April, 1969 (Afternoon Sitting) and was considered by the House the same day. Six Members from the Opposition, one each from C.P.I., PSP, Swatantra and SSP, and two members (including the Chief Minister) from the Treasury Benches took part in the discussion of the motion speaking for 47 minutes, 20 minutes, 11 minutes, 15 minutes, 20 minutes, and 45 minutes, respectively.

Captain Rattan Singh, the mover, in reply spoke for 15 minutes.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and declared lost.

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10. Suspensation of a Member form the service of the House

Serial No.	Date	Member who was suspended	Occasion
1	9th April, 1969 ..	S. Lachhman Singh Gill	S. Lachhman Singh Gill repeatedly rose in his seat on points of order/personal explanations and insisted that he should be allowed to explain his stand in regard to charges contained in the Memorandum submitted to the President of India a copy of which was laid on the Table of the House. He was not permitted to do so. He continued interrupting the proceedings of the House. The Speaker asked S. Lachhman Singh Gill to withdraw from the House but he continued to speak. Thereupon, the Chief Minister, in the first instance, moved that Rule 104 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly be suspended, which was carried and thereafter moved that S. Lachhman Singh Gill be suspended from the service of the House for the rest of the Session. S. Kapur Singh suggested by way of an amendment that S. Lachhman Singh Gill be expelled from the House till the end of the current week. This amendment was accepted by the Chief Minister. and the amended motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Papers presented -laid

The following papers were presented to/laid before the Sabha :—

Serial No.	By whom presented/ laid	Date on which presented/laid	Subject
1	Speaker ..	17th March, 1969	Governor's Address under Rule 18 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly.
2	Secretary ..	18th March, 1969	Statement showing the Bills which had been passed by the Punjab State Legislature during its February-March, March and May Sessions, 1968 and which had since been assented to by the Governor/ President of India.
3	Minister for Industries	18th March, 1969	The First Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Financial Corporation for the period ending 31st March, 1968 as required under section 38 (3) of the State Financial Corporations Act, 1951.

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Serial No.	By whom presented/ laid	Date on which presented/laid	Subject
4	Minister for Industries ..	18th March, 1969 ..	The Annual Report on the working of the Punjab State Small Industries Corporation Limited for the year 1966-67, as required under section 619-A (3) (b) of the Companies Act, 1956.
5	Ditto ..	Ditto ..	The Punjab Pay Commission Report, 1967-68.
6	Ditto ..	Ditto ..	The Supplementary Estimates (Second Instalment) for the year 1968-69.
7	Ditto ..	19th March, 1969	The Second Annual Report and Accounts for the year 1964-65 of the Punjab Export Corporation Ltd., as required under section 619 (3) of the Companies Act, 1956.
8	Minister for Irrigation	Ditto ..	The Audit Report on the Accounts of the Punjab Financial Corporation for the year 1964-65, as required under section 37 (7) of the State Financial Corporation Act, 1951.
9	Ditto ..	Ditto ..	The Annual Financial Statement (Budget Estimates) for the year 1968-69, of the Punjab State Electricity Board, as required under Section 61(3) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.
10	Ditto ..	Ditto ..	The Annual Statement of Accounts for the year 1966-67 and Audit Report of the Punjab State Electricity Board, as required under section 69 (5) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.
11	Ditto ..	Ditto ..	The Annual Administration Report for the year 1966-67 of the Punjab State Electricity Board, as required under section 75 (1-A) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.
12	Revenue Minister ..	20th March, 1969	The Punjab Ayurvedic and Unani Practitioners (Amendment) Ordinance, 1969.
13	Ditto ..	Ditto ..	The Punjab Requisitioning and Acquisition of Immovable Property (First Amendment) Rules, 1968, as required under section 22(3) of the Punjab Requisitioning and Acquisition of Immovable Property Act, 1953.
14	Industries Minister	24th March, 1969	The Audit Report on the Accounts of the Punjab Financial Corporation for the year ended 31st March, 1967, as required under section 37(7) of the State Financial Corporation Act, 1951.

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Serial No.	By whom presented/ laid	Date on which presented/laid	Subject
15	Industries Minister ..	24th March, 1969	The Statement showing the public borrowing by the Punjab State Electricity Board and guaranteed by the Punjab Government in force during the year 1967-68, as required under section 66 of the Electricity Supply Act, 1948
16	Ditto	Ditto	The Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1966-67 and Audit Report, 1968
17	Ditto	Ditto	The Finance Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1966-67
18	Finance Minister	Ditto	The Punjab Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishad Non-official Members (Payment of Allowances) (First Amendment) Rules, 1968, as required under section 115(4) of the Punjab Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads Act, 1961
19	Chief Minister	Ditto	The Annual Financial Statement (Budget Estimates) for the year 1969-70 of the Punjab State Electricity Board, as required under section 61(3) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948
20	Finance Minister	25th March, 1969	The Budget for the year 1969-70 and the Vote-on-Account for four months viz., April, May, June and July, 1969.
21	Chief Minister	26th March, 1969	The Fourteenth Report of the Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes for the year 1964-65
22	Ditto	Ditto	The Sixteenth Report of the Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Vols. I and II) for the year 1966-67
23	Ditto	1st April, 1969	The amendments (two Notifications) made by the Governor in the Punjab Public Service Commission Limitation of Functions (Regulations) 1955 and Corrigendum dated the 9th February, 1968, as required under Article 320 (5) of the Constitution
24	Ditto	2nd April, 1969 (Morning sitting)	Three Reports on the working of the Punjab Public Service Commission for the period from 1st April, 1965 to 31st March, 1966, 1st April, 1966 to 31st October, 1966 and 1st November, 1966 to 31st March, 1967, as presented to the Governor, together with the Memorandum in respect of first two reports explaining the reasons for the non-acceptance of the advice of the Commission as required under Article 323(2) of the Constitution

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Serial No.	By whom presented/ laid	Date on which presented/laid	Subject
25	Irrigation and Power Minister	2nd April, 1969 (Morning sitting)	The Statement showing the Guarantee given by the Punjab Government against loans taken by the Punjab State Electricity Board, Patiala, up to the year 1968-69, as required under section 66 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948
26	Industries Minister	3rd April, 1969 (Morning sitting)	The Thirteenth and Fifteenth Report of of the Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes for the years 1963-64 and 1965-66
27	Secretary ..	Ditto	Statement showing the Bills which were passed by the Punjab State Legislature during its current (Budget) Session 1969, and which have since been assented to by the Governor of Punjab
28	Irrigation Minister	8th April, 1969	The Annual Administration Report of the Punjab State Electricity Board, Patiala, for the year 1967-68 as required under section 75(1-A) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948
29	Ditto	Ditto	The Annual Statements of Accounts of the Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 1967-68 (3rd May, 1967 to 31st March, 1968) and the Audit Report thereon as required under section 69(1) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948
30	Industries Minister	Ditto	The Financial Review on the working of the Pepsu Road Transport Corporation, Patiala, during the year 1965-66, as required under section 33(4) of the Road Transport Corporation Act, 1950
31	Chief Minister ..	15th April, 1969..	The Punjab Zila Parishad (Appointment of Secretaries) Rules, 1969, as required under section 115(4) of the Punjab Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishad Act, 1961
32	Secretary ..	16th April, 1969..	The East Punjab Holdings (Consolidation and Prevention of Fragmentation) Validation Bill, 1969, as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad
33	Do	17th April, 1969..	The Punjab Ayurvedic and Unani Practitioners (Amendment) Bill, 1969, as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad.
34	Finance Minister	21st April, 1969	The Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1967-68 and Audit Report, 1969
35	Ditto	Ditto	The Second Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Agro-Industries Corporation Limited for the year ended 31st May, 1968, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956

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Serial No.	By whom presented/ laid	Date on which presented/laid	Subject
36	Industries Minister	24th April, 1969..	The 2nd Annual Report of the Punjab State Industrial Development Corporation Limited for the year 1967-68, as required under section 619-A (3) of the Companies Act, 1956
37	Secretary, Punjab Vidhan Sabha	18th March, 1969	Twelfth Report of the Committee on Government Assurances (1967-68)

REPORTS PRESENTED/LAID

Serial No.	By whom presented	Date on which presented	Subject
	BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE		
1	Deputy Speaker ..	1st April, 1969 ..	1st Report of the Business Advisory Committee
2	Speaker ..	3rd April, 1969 (Afternoon sitting)	2nd Report of the Business Advisory Committee
3	Speaker ..	16th April, 1969..	3rd Report of the Business Advisory Committee
4	Secretary. Punjab Vidhan Sabha	18th March,1969	Report of the Estimates Committee on the Budget Estimates for the year 1967-68

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ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

Notices of 23 adjournment Motions were received as detailed below

(*See Table below*)

Serial No.	Date of the Motion	Date when taken up	Member(s) giving notice	Subject	Decision
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	14th March, 1969	17th March, 1969	Comrades Satya Pal Dang, Babu Singh Master, Kulwant Singh and Dana Ram	Regarding the refusal of the Governor of the Bengal to read the entire address prepared by the Council of Ministers etc.	Disallowed by the Hon. Speaker on the ground that the matter sought to be raised concerned another State and was not within the jurisdiction of the Punjab State Legislature
2	17th March, 1969	17th March, 1969	Comrade Babu Singh Master	Regarding the arrest of many peasants including a Member of this House in connection with the Satyagraha started by Cane-growers of Jullundur District	Disallowed
3	29th March, 1969	1st April, 1969	Comrades Satya Pal Dang and Babu Singh Master	Relating to the incidents in the Ferozepur Jail on 27th March, 1969	The Speaker observed that it was a long standing convention of the House that Adjournment Motions were not allowed during the discussion on the Budget. The C.M., however, made a statement on the incident.
4	1st April, 1969	1st April, 1969	Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal	Relating to the incident in the Ferozepur Jail on 27th March, 1969	The Speaker observed that it was a long standing convention of the House that Adjournment Motions were not allowed during the discussion on the Budget

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Serial No.	Date of the Motion	Date when taken up	Member(s) giving notice	Subject	Decision
1	2	3	4	5	6
5	1st April, 1969	1st April, 1969	Captain Rattan Singh	Relating to the incident in the Ferozepur Jail on 27th March, 1969	The Speaker observed that it was a long standing convention of the House that Adjournment Motions were not allowed during the discussion on the Budget
6	7th April, 1969	8th April, 1969	Comraces Satya Pal Dang, Babu Singh Master, Dana Ram and Kulwant Singh	Regarding the enquiry held by the Commissioner, Jullundur Division, into the firing in Ferozepur Jail	Ruled out of order on the ground that Motions for Adjournment were not admitted during the Budget Session
7	8th April, 1969	8th April, 1969	Captain Rattan Singh, Ch. Ram Singh and Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda	Ditto	Ditto
8	8th April, 1969	8th April, 1969	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	Regarding the statement alleged to have been made by Shankaracharya of Puri (Jagadguru) upholding untouchability etc.	The Speaker disallowed the Motion by referring to the practice that Adjournment Motions were not admitted during the Budget Session
9	8th April, 1969	8th April, 1969	Sarvshri Gurbanta Singh, Sadhu Ram, Darshan Singh, Jagat Ram and Bhagat Guran Dass Hans	Regarding a statement alleged to have been made by Shankracharya of Puri (Jagadguru) regarding untouchability etc.	The Speaker disallowed the Motion by referring to the practice that Adjournment Motions were not admitted during the Budget Session
10	9th April, 1969	9th April, 1969	Sardar Umrao Singh	Regarding the restrictions placed on the Sikhs residing in U.K.	The Speaker did not give his consent and observed that the matter was covered by Call Attention Notice (No. 216) given notice of by Major Harinder Singh, which was admitted the same day

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Serial No.	Date of the Motion	Date when taken up	Member(s) giving notice	Subject	Decision
1	2	3	4	5	6
11	7th April, 1969	7th April, 1969	Ch. Ram Singh	Regarding mistakes in the Budget for the year 1969-70	Disallowed
12	15th April, 1969	15th April, 1969	Comrade Babu Singh Master	Regarding the F.I.R. No. 180 lodged by the Ex-Speaker Sardar Joginder Singh Mann, in the Police Station, Sector-17, in connection with the happenings in the House on 18th March, 1968	Was ruled out of the order by the Speaker on the ground that Adjournment Motions were not taken up during Budget Session. Moreover it was ruled that it was not admissible as the F.I.R. was lodged at Chandigarh which was not within the jurisdiction of the State Government
13	11th April, 1969	11th April, 1969	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	Regarding demonstration of teachers on 11th April, 1969 before Vidhan Sabha	Withdrawn on 11th April, 1969
14	15th April, 1969	16th April, 1969	Shri Gurdial Saini	Regarding alleged wrong statement made in the House in reply to Call Attention Notice No. 94	Was disallowed on the ground that it was not a fit subject for an Adjournment Motion. Moreover Adjournment Motions were not permitted during the Budget Session
15	15th April, 1969	16th April, 1969	Chaudhri Ram Singh and Sardar Santokh Singh	Regarding alleged bargain struck in bringing about the defection of of a Member	Was disallowed on the gound that such matters could not be raised through an Adjournment Motion. Moreover Adjournment Motions were not allowed during the Budget Session according to Parliamentary Conventions
16	21st April, 1969	21st April, 1969	Sardar Sarup Singh and Sardar Umrao Singh	Regarding the alleged brutal ck made on Shri R.S. Aneja, .D.O., Electricity	Was rulled out of order by the Speaker on the ground that the Motion related to an individual case and was an ordinary matter

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Serial No.	Date of Motion	Date when taken up	Member (s)giving notice	Subject	Decision
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					of administration of Law for which other remedies were available. Moreover there was Call-Attention Notice on the subject which was being admitted.
17	21st April, 1969	21st April, 1969	Sardar Tarlochan Singh Riasti	Regarding the alleged brutal attack made on Shri R.S. Aneja, S.D.O., Electricity	Was ruled out of order by the Speaker on the ground that the Motion related to an individual case for which other remedies were available Moreover there was a Call Attention Notice on the subject which was being admitted.
18	21st April, 1969	22nd April, 1969	Sardar Tarlochan Singh Riasti	Regarding the alleged assault on Shri Gurnam Singh and Shri Brij Balb Singh, employees of Cooperative Mortgage Bank, Bhatinda	Was ruled out of order by the Speaker as the matter sought to be raised related to an ordinary matter of administration for which legal remedies were available.
19	23rd April, 1969	23rd April, 1969	Dr. Amir Singh Kalkat	Regarding the purchase of molasses by the Punjab Government to which serious objection had been taken in the Audit Report of the Comptoller and Auditor General of India	Was ruled out of order by the Speaker on the ground that the Report was to be considered by the Public Accounts Committee, whose recommendations would come before the House in due course.

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Serial No.	Date of the Motion	Date when taken up	Member(s) giving notice	Subject	Decision
1	2	3	4	5	6
20	23rd April, 1969	23rd April, 1969	Dr. Amir Singh Kalkat	Regarding the funds earmarked for 'Chaupals' and 'Dharmsalas' in the State	Was ruled out of order holding that the matter sought to be raised was not of urgent public importance and it could be discussed earlier during the discussion on the Budget.
21	24th April, 1969	24th April, 1969	Sardar Santokh Singh	Regarding the alleged deterioration of Law and order situation in Amritsar, the arrest of Congress Workers and the fabrication of cases against them	Was ruled out of order by the Speaker on the ground that the arrest of a few individuals did not mean deterioration of law and order situation and if these arrests were illegal then there were legal remedies open for the aggrieved party.
22	24th April, 1969	24th April, 1969	Sardar Umrao Singh	Regarding the statewide resentment amongst the employees of the Punjab State Electricity Board due to the failure of the authorities to arrest the culprits who had assaulted Shri R.S. Aneja S.D.O. (Electricity) at Jaitu on 19th April, 1969 and their reported thre at of shutting down the supply of Electricity throughout the State	Was ruled out of order by the Speaker observing that the Chief Minister had already made a statement in the House assuring full protection to the employees Moreover, the Motion did not fulfil the conditions of admissi-. bility.
23	24th April, 1969	25th April, 1969 (Morning Sitting)	Com Satya Pal Dang	Regarding the assault on an S.D. O., (Electricity) at Jaitu	Was ruled out of order by the Speaker as a similar Motion had been disallowed by him on 24th April, 1969.

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QUESTIONS OF PRIVILEGE

Serial No.	Date	Membe (s) giving notice	Subject-matter	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5
1	13th March, 1969 ..	Sardar Umrao Singh	Regarding the arrest of Sardar Lachhman Singh Gill	It was ruled out of order by the Speaker on the 17th March, 1969.
2	17th March, 1969 ..	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	Regarding beating-up of Com. Kulwant Singh	It was referred to the Committee on Privileges on 18th March, 1969.
3	17th March, 1969 ..	Sardar Sarup Singh	Regarding beating and hand-cuffing of Com. Kulwant Singh	It was referred to the Committee on Privileges on 18th March, 1969.
4	18th March, 1969 ..	Comarade Satya Pal Dang	Regarding the Report of the Pay Commission being laid before Punjab Vidhan Parishad on the 17th March, 1969, before it had come before Vidhan Sabha	The Speaker observed that the established convention should be followed and the prestige and importance of the Vidhan Sabha should not be over-looked.
5	19th March, 1969 ..	Sardar Umrao Singh	Regarding certain observations by the Governor of Punjab in his address in connection with the passing of the Budget in 1968	Was ruled out of order by the Speaker.
6	20th March, 1969 ..	Sardar Balwant Singh	Regarding the statement made by the Chairman in the Vidhan Parishad on 17th March, 1969 that the Governor had condemned himself by reading certain passages of his Address to the Legislature	Was disallowed by the Speaker.

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7	20th March, 1969 :	Sardar Balwant Singh	Regarding the statement alleged to have been made by the Chairman in the Vidhan Parishad on 19th March, 1969 that the move to abolish the Upper House was a political fraud	The Speaker observed that he would seek clarification from the Chairman regarding the authenticity of the report appearing in the press. The Speaker observed on 7th April, 1969 that according to well-established practice no House should caste aspersion on another House and no Member should caste aspersion on a Member of another House. The consent to the Motion was refused by the Speaker.
8	20th March, 1969 ..	Com. Satya Pal Dang and Babu Singh Master		
9	26th March, 1969 ..	Captain Rattan Singh	Regarding the discrepancy in the statement of the Revenue Minister and the news-item appearing in the 'Qaumi Dard' regarding the remission of Land Revenue on 10 acres of Agricultural Land	Was ruled out of order.
10	26th March, 1969 ..	Captain Rattan Singh	Regarding the Reports of Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes having been laid on the Table of the Punjab Vidhan Parishad before being laid before the Punjab Vidhan Sabha	The Speaker observed that the Government should follow the well-established conventions but rejected the motion.
11	26th March, 1969 ..	Captain Rattan Singh	Regarding the breach of privilege committed by the Chief Minister by his categorical denial of the use of third degree methods against two foodgrain dealers of Jagraon	Was ruled out of order on the ground that it was based on Newspaper Report.
12	25th March, 1969 ..	Doctor Amir Singh	Regarding a news item in the Daily Pratap dated 25th March, 1969 that some voters (M.L.As) were being offered from Rs 10,000 to Rs 25,000 for their votes in the Bye-Election to the Rajya Sabha	The Speaker observed that a letter would be written to the Chairman of the Press Gallery Committee and the ruling would be given after the reply thereof was received.

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QUESTIONS OF PRIVILEGE—*contd*

Serial No.	Date	Member (s) giving notice	Subject matter	*Remarks*
1	2	3	4	5
				On the 7th April, the Speaker observed that the Chairman and the members of the Press Gallery Committee and the correspondent concerned had assured that there was no intention of showing any disrespect to the Members of the House. The Speaker therefore refused his consent to the motion.
13	1st April, 1969	.. Com. Satya Pal Dang	Regarding the wrong information supplied to the Speaker by a certain officer in connection with the release of the Member Com. Kulwant Singh, M.L.A.	After checking the office reecord the Speaker observed that the Member concerned was released on 24th March, 1969. Therefore, there was no breach of privilege.
14	2nd April, 1969	.. Captain Rattan Singh	Regarding the alleged wrong and contradictory statements made by the Irrigation and Power Minister while answering Question No. 108	The Speaker did not give his consent on the ground that according to parliamentary practice furnishing of alleged wrong information does not constitute a breach of privilege.
15	2nd April, 1969	... Chaudhri Balbir Singh	Regarding the policy statements by the Chief Minister made at Ludhiana in connection with the purchase of foodgrains when the Vidhan Sabha was in Session	The Speaker did not give his consent as the Chief Minister stated that he had not made any such statement any where.
16	7th April, 1969	... Sardar Umrao Singh	Regarding the news-item appearing in the Hind Samachar dated 6th April, 1969 that the hon. Member was joining the Akali Dal.	Was refused as it did not involve a breach of privilege. The Speaker, however, remarked that Press should avoid giving such news-items in order to avoid controversies.

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17	7th April, 1969	.. Com. Babu Singh Master	Regarding the news-item published in the 'Hind Samachar' dated 3rd April, 1969 in connection with the announcement reported to have been made by the Punjab Government of its decision to increase the rate of Sales Tax on food grains from 1.5 percent to 3 per cent.	The Speaker observed that no breach of privilege was involved. The Government was, however, asked to follow the healthy convention of making such announcement in the House when the Sabha was in session.
18	7th April, 1969	.. Chaudhri Ram Singh	Relating to the discrepancies in the figures in the Budget documents.	The Speaker observed that after discussing the matter with the Finance Minister he was satisfied that these discrepancies were due to printing errors. The Speaker, therefore, refused leave to the Question of Privilege.
19	10th April, 1969	.. Com. Satya Pal Dang	Regarding alleged wrong information given by the Minister concerned in reply to unstarred question No. 37.	The Speaker requested the Minister to clarify the position and added that it would be further examined after the receipt of clarification from the Minister. The Notice lapsed on prorogation.
20	16th April, 1969	.. Sardar Umrao Singh	Regarding alleged Police pressure on members of the Congress Party to defect to the Ruling Party.	The Speaker did not give his consent to the moving of the Privilege Motion on the ground that it was for the Members concerned to raise the issue.
21	21st April, 1969	.. Com Staya Pal Dang, Com. Kulwant Singh, Com. Dana Ram, Com Darshan Singh Jhabal, Sardar Shashpal Singh, Shri Manmohan Kalia	Regarding the entry of police in Punjab Vidhan Bhavan in plain clothes on the 18th March, 1968.	The Speaker observed that the incidents referred to in the motion took place more than a year back and were not of recent occurrence. He therefore, ruled it out of order.
22	21st April, 1969	... Sardar Bachan Singh Pakho	Regarding the alleged pressure used on him to defect to the Akali Party.	The Motion was referred to the Privileges Committee.

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Serial No.	Date	Member (s) giving notice	Subject-matter	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5
23	22nd April, 1969	... Sardar Tarlochan Singh Riayasti	Regarding alleged defection of the Congress M.L.As, affected with the encouragement of the Chief Minister.	The Speaker observed that neither the question of defection could become the basis of Privilege Motion nor could the Conduct of the Chief Minister discussed through a privilege motion. Therefore the motion was ruled out of order.
24	22nd April, 1969	... Sardar Kirpal Singh Makhewal	Regarding alleged pressure being used by Police Officers to force him to defect.	The Speaker, before giving his decision, invited the member to see him in his Chamber. The Motion lapsed on propogation.
25	23rd April, 1969	... Sardar Umrao Singh	Regarding giving wrong information in reply to part (d) of starred question No. 125 of the hon. Member.	The Speaker ruled the motion out of order observing that the incorrect statement by a Minister could not be made the basis of a privilege motion.
26	24th April, 1969	.. Sardar Trilochan Singh Riyasti	Regarding the threatening behaviour of Sardar Harbhagwan Singh Ex-M.L.A. in front of the office room of the Chief Minister, Punjab, in the precincts of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.	The motion stood referred to the Committee of Privileges.
27	25th April, 1969	.. Com. Satya Pal Dang	Regarding not announcing the decision of the Government on the report of the Municipal Pay Committee in the Vidhan Sabha.	No breach of privilege was involved. The Speaker had already ruled that it would be appropriate if such reports are laid be fore both the Houses simultaneously.

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OTHER MOTIONS

Serial No.	Minister/Member moving	Moved on	Discussed on	Subject-matter	Decision	Remarks
1	S. Balwant Singh, M.L.A. ...	17-3-69	17th, 18th & 19th March, 1969	Motion of Thanks for the Address delivered by the Governor on the 14th March, 1969	Carried	
2	Parliamentary Affairs Minister	24-3-69	24-3-69	Recommendation to the Punjab Vidhan Parishad regarding nomination of three M.L.Cs. each to associate with the Public Accounts Committee and the Committee on Estimates of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha for the year 1969-70	Carried	
3	Deputy Speaker ...	1-4-69	1-4-69	Motion regarding the discussion of the Annual Administration Report of the Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 1966-67 and the Annual Financial Statement (Budget Estimates) of the said Board for the year 1968-69 and 1969-70 was also discussed	Discussed	
4	Deputy Speaker ..	1-4-69	1-4-69	Agreement with the recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee	Carried	
5	Speaker ..	3-4-69 (Afternoon Sitting)	3-4-69 (Afternoon Sitting)	Agreement with the recommendations contained in the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee.	Carried	
6	Speaker ...	16-4-69	16-4-69	Agreement with the recommendations contained in the Third Report of the Business Advisory Committee	Carried	
7	Comrade Dana Ram, M.L.A. ..	22-4-69	22-4-69	Motion regarding the discussion of the Punjab Pay Commission Report, 1967-68	Discussed	

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Serial No.	Minister/Member moving	Moved on	Discussed on	Subject-matter	Decision	Remarks
8	Comrade Dana Ram, M.L.A. ..	23-4-69	23-4-69	Motion regarding the discussion on the Reports of the Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes for years 1963-64, 1964-65, 1965-66 and 1966-67	Discussed	
9	S. Dalip Singh Pandhi, M.L.A.	24-4-69	24-4-69	Motion regarding the discussion on the Financial Review of the working of Pepsu Road Transport Corporation, Patiala during the year 1965-66	Discussed	
10	S. Balwant Singh, M.L.A. ..	25-4-69 (Morning Sitting)	25-4-69	Motion regarding the appointment of an *Ad-hoc* Committee to enquire into the matter relating to the entry of Police/outsiders in the House on the 18th March, 1968	Carried	
11	Chief Minister ...	25-4-69 (After-noon Sitting)	25-4-69	Motion under rule 16 regarding adjournment of the House *sine die*	Carried	

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CALL ATTENTION NOTICES UNDER RULE 73

In all 373 notices calling attention to matters of Public importance were received. Out of these 252 notices were admitted as detailed below in the serial order in which they were received. The rest were disallowed by the Hon'ble Speaker in his Chamber on one ground or the other.

Serial No.	Call Attention Notice No.	Member/Members Calling Attention	Date	Subject-matter	REMARKS
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	1	Capt. Rattan Singh ..	17-3-69	Difficulty being faced by the sugar-cane growing farmers due to the low-sugarcane prices being offered by the Sugar Mills	The Finance Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 26th March, 1969
2	2	Ditto	17-3-69	Abduction of a teenaged girl named Banto from village Chadiala, tehsil Kharar, district Rupar	Ditto
3	3	Sardar Umrao Singh ..	17-3-69	The Merit List of the candidates for the posts of Clerks whose applications have been pending with the Subordinate Services Selection Board for about a year and who had taken their test on 8th December, 1968	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 21st April, 1969
4	5	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	17-3-69	The strike of the Veterinarians in the State since 21st January, 1969	The Finance Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 26th March, 1969
5	6	Ditto	17-3-69	The hungerstrike resorted to by the teacher representatives of private school teachers in the State	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 24th March, 1969
6	7	Comrades Satya Pal Dang, Babu Singh and Dana Ram	17-3-69	The high-handedness on the part of some of the Police officials and complete lawlessness that has prevailed in Ferozepur Cantt. following an altercation on 4th March, 1969 between a shopkeeper and his servant on the one hand and some persons indulging in 'gulal' throwing on the occasion of Holi, on the other	The Finance Minister laid a Staement on the Table on 26th March, 1969

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7	8	Comrade Satya Pal Dang and Comrade Babu Singh	17-3-69	The serious situation created due to the mass scale retrenchment, reversions of family planning staff	The Finance Minister laid a statement on the Table on 20th March, 1969.
8	9	Ditto	17-3-69	The acts of attacks on the supervisory staff of Matric/ Higher Secondary Examination at Patiala and Amritsar	The Chief Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 20th March, 1969
9	10	Ditto	17-3-69	The mass scale transfers of teachers in District Ferozepur at the time of examinations	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 1st April, 1969
10	15	Comrade Satya Pal Dang and Comrade Dana Ram	17-3-69	The non-payment of wages to the workers of Panipat Woollen Mills, Kharar for the last 4 months	Statement not received
11	16	Sardar Tara Singh Lyallpuri	17-3-69	The dismissal of workers of the Punjab Roadways and fabrication of false cases against them during the regime of Gill Ministry	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 2nd April, 1969
12	18	Sardar Gurbanta Singh and S. Umrao Singh	17-3-69	The murder of four persons of one family, the dead bodies of whom were found near the Railway Station of Thablka, district Jullundur	Kept pending
13	19	Shri Ram Singh	17-3-69	The non-distribution of the copies of Governor's Address in Hindi and English	Copies of the Statement were received on 24th July, 1969 and were sent to members on 13th August, 1969

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14	20	Comrades Dana Ram, Satya Pal Dang and Babu Singh	18-3-69	The brutal murder of entire family of four members of village Thabalka near Nakodar	The Finance Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 26th March, 1969
15	21	Ditto	18-3-69	The 'Dharna' started by the cane-producing peasants of Jullundur District since 16th March, 1969	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 24th March, 1969
16	23	Sardar Trilochan Singh Riyasti	18-3-69	The taking into possession of the licensed fire-arms of Sant Darbari Das of Lopon by the Police	Ditto
17	24	Chaudhri Blabir Singh ..	18-3-69	The damage to the standing crops due to the repeated break-down and suspension of electric supply for two days in a week	Copies of the Statement were received on 20th August, 1969 and were sent to members on 22nd August, 1969
18	26	Giani Kundan Singh Patang, Comrades Babu Singh and Hardit Singh Bhathal	18-3-69	The disparity between the Pay-scales of the Punjab Government and the Haryana Government employees	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 2nd April, 1969
19	27	Raja Narinder Singh ..	18-3-69	The cutting of a number of trees standing on a katcha road leading from the crossing of Hoshiarpur-Bajwara road to Chhowni Kalan maintained by the Zila Parishad, Hoshiarpur	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 7th April, 1969
20	28	Ditto	18-3-69	Amendment to the Rules regarding the appointment of Secretaries of Zila Parishads in the State the Employees of these institutions have been subjected to discrimination	The Finance Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 26th March, 1969
21	29	Raja Narinder Singh ...	18-3-69	No action has been taken by the Government to revise the pay-scale of the employees of the Zila Parishads and Panchayat Samitis to bring them at par with Government servants	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 24th March, 1969
22	30	Ditto	18-3-69	The discrimination in the Zila Parishad, Hoshiarpur in the matter of granting Dearness Allowance to its employees at enhanced rates	Ditto

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23	31	Raja Narinder Singh	18-3-69	The piece-meal sanctions being given by the Government for maintaining the *status-quo* in regard to the staff and buildings etc. provided by the Zila Parishads to the former District Medical Officers of Health	The Finance Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 26th March, 1969
24	33	Shri Man Mohan Kalia	18-3-69	The strike of Veterinary College Students since 21st January, 1969	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 24th March, 1969
25	34	Sardar Umrao Singh ..	18-3-69	The divergent statements made by two Ministers of Punjab Government, Shri Krishan Lal and Sardar Atma Singh regarding implementation of the Sachar Formula	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 21st April, 1969
26	33	Shri Ram Singh ..	19-3-69	The ill-treatment of Harijans of Pathankot by rowdy elements there	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 1st April, 1969
27	39	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	19-3-69	The failure of the management of the Hindustan Embroidery Mills Private Ltd., Chherata in paying wages in time to its workers	The Finance Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 26th March, 1969
28	40	S. Umrao Singh ..	19-3-69	Government decision to accept the recommendation of Kothari Commission to award Lecturer's grade to all M.As. working in Government Schools has not been implemented so far	Not taken up as the Member was not present in the House

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29	42	S. Santokh Singh ..	19-3-69	The situation caused due to the postponement of the Elections of Batala Sugar Mills, Batala	The Finance Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 26th March, 1969
30	44	Shri Roop Lal Sathi ..	20-3-69	One day's token 'Dharna' by the Punjab Government Mechanical Workers' Union, P.W.D. (B. & R.) in front of the Assembly Hall	The Finance Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 26th March, 1969
31	47	S. Santokh Singh ..	20-3-69	The failure of the Government in granting loans to the farmers for constructing 'pucca' water channels to water their fields	The Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 9th April, 1969
32	48	Chaudhri Balbir Singh	20-3-69	The Government tractors having been found working for private purposes during a raid on the house of Deputy Director of Industries in Village Zahoora, district Hoshiarpur	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 2nd April, 1969
33	49	Shri Gurdial Saini ..	20-3-69	The discriminatory treatment to which the teachers appointed before the issue of the circular on 16th October, 1968 for the combination of subject for recognized B.A., B. Ed. School teachers were subjected	Copies of the statement were received on 24th September, 1969 and were sent to Member on 6th October, 1969
34	50	Chaudhri Balbir Singh	20-3-69	The suspension of work on the construction of bunds for Hoshiarpur District for which a provision of Rs. five lakh had been made in the Budget for 1968-69	The Industries Minister laid a statement on the Table on 1st April, 1969
35	51	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	20-3-69	The forcible eviction of Shri Lakha Singh, a rickshaw driver from his house in Guru Nanak Wada, Amritsar by the landlord	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 3rd April, 1969
36	52	Ditto ..	20-3-69	The dissatisfaction amongst Government employees on the failure of the Government in accepting certain proposals on the scheme of Joint Consultative and Arbitration machinery	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 7th April, 1969
37	54	Ditto ..	20-3-69	The terror caused by the Biswadars who opened fire on tenants on the 16th March, 1969 or thereabout in Village Chuga Khurd near Bhatinda	The Finance Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 26th March, 1969
38	56	Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabhal	21-3-69	The black-marketing being indulged in by the brick-kiln owners in the sale of burnt bricks	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 2nd April, 1969

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39	57	Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabhal	21-3-69	The adverse effect on the Rabi Crop by drought due to long closure of U.B.D. Canal, its branches and Rajbahas	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 7th April, 1969
40	60	Shri Gurdial Saini ..	21-3-69	Harassment of Khokhawala's and Rehari walas by the Administration of Juljundur Municipal Committee	Not taken up as the Member was not present in the House
41	61	Shri Ram Singh ..	21-3-69	The serious difficulties being faced by the public and the lawyers of Pathankot due to long distance from each other at which the Courts of Sub-Judge and Tehsildars are situated at Pathankot	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 2nd April, 1969
42	62	Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabhal	21-3-69	The hunger-strike resorted to by the workers of the Punjab Roadways outside the Secretariat for the redressal of the high-handedness meted out to them, withdrawal of their cases and reinstatement on their posts	Ditto
43	63	Ditto ..	21-3-69	The difficulties being faced by the cultivators and farm labourers residing near the Pakistan Border who are required to obtain 'Parchis' from Border Police Post before going to work in their fields	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 21st April, 1969
44	64	Sardar Dalip Singh ..	21-3-69	The stoppage of construction work on the six kilometer long road from Bande to Nihal Singh Wala	Statement not received
45	65	Comrade Satya Pal Dang and Babu Singh Master	21-3-69	The non-satisfactory working of Government Chemist Shops (Medicine Depots(for employees insured under the Employees State Insurance Scheme	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 3rd April, 1969

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46	66	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	21-3-69	The widespread unrest amongst the Industrial Workers of Amritsar resulting from the efforts of the Government to introduce Service System in Amritsar (under the E.S.I. Scheme) at the cost of the Penal System without consulting the workers	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 3rd April, 1969
47	70	Sardar Umrao Singh ..	21-3-69	The non-implementation of the decision of the Government to accept recommendation of Kothari Commission to award Lecturers' grade to all M.As. so far	Statement not received
48	71	Ditto ..	21-3-69	The indefinite strike resorted to by the Sub-Inspectors of the Co-operative Department, which is adversely affecting the working of the Co-operative Societies in the State	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 3rd April, 1969
49	72	Shri Ram Singh ..	21-3-69	The imposition of heavy purchase tax of 3 per cent on paddy and rice and a separate purchase tax on rice in addition to sales tax at the rate of Rs 1.50 per kilogram on paddy and rice already charged with the result that every citizen of the State has to pay 9 paise per kilo more for rice	Ditto
50	73	Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabhal and Com. Hardit Singh Bhathal	24-3-69	The unnecessary interference in the day-to-day work of the Village Panchayats by the Police and other concerned Departments	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 7th April, 1969
51	76	Ch. Balbir Singh ..	24-3-69	The contemplated 'Dharna' on the part of hundreds of Government employees in front of Vidhan Bhavan on March 28 to press the State Government to start negotiations on the demands of the employees	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 1st April, 1969
52	77	Ditto ..	24-3-69	The pollution of drinking water of Gokal Nagar Colony due to defective drainage of dirty water containing acid and alcohol from Pine Oil Factory at Hoshiarpur rendering it unfit for human consumption	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 21st April, 1969
53	78	Com. Dana Ram, Com. Babu Singh Master and Com. Satya Pal Dang	24-3-69	The non-payment of wages fixed for the brick-kiln workers on the part of brick kiln owners	Copies of Statement received on 9th July, 1969 and were sent to Member on 16th July, 1969

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54	79	Com. Babu Singh Master	26-3-69	The abduction of two girl students of village Kalra near Hoshiarpur on 20th instant and murder of one of them	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 3rd April, 1969
55	80	Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi	26-3-69	The bad treatment meted out to the nurses, trained 'Dais' and Class IV employees by the Nursing Superintendent, Rajindra Hospital, Patiala	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 8th April, 1969
56	83	Com. Satya Pal Dang and Com. Dana Ram	26-3-69	The wide-spread black-marketing and non-availability of Vegetable Ghee at controlled rates	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 7th April, 1969
57	84	Com. Satya Pal Dang, Com. Babu Singh and Com. Dana Ram	26-3-69	The resentment caused by reported statement by the Chief Minister on the abolition of ceiling on 30 standard acres of land holdings	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 3rd April, 1969
58	86	Com. Satya Pal Dang, Com. Babu Singh Master and Com. Dana Ram	26-3-69	The failure of Government in collecting rent from worker tenants due to inter-departmental disputes	The Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 9th April, 1969
59	91	Com. Satya Pal Dang ..	26-3-69	The attack reported to have been made by more than 50 persons on Shri Sudagar Mal and others and forcible demolition of his shop by them in Islamabad, Amritsar	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 3rd April, 1969
60	94	Shri Gurdial Saini ..	26-3-69	The harassment caused to the 'Khokhawalas' and 'Rehriwalas' by the Administration of Jullundur Municipal Committee	The Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 10th April, 1969
61	95	Shri Kewal Krishan ..	26-3-69	The serious damage being caused to the standing crops of villages situated on the banks of river Beas by wild cows "Bhooter" every day	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 15th April, 1969

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62	96	Shri Kewal Krishan ..	26-3-69	The non-appointment of even one nursery trained teacher on the staff of Government Model Schoo , Talwara	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 15th April, 1969
63	98	Dr. Amir Singh ..	26-3-69	The construction work on Village Road from Tanda to Ghardiwala being held up at village Nangal Khunga, which was under consolidation operations	Copies of the Statement were received on 11th July, 1969 and were sent to Member on 16th July, 1969
64	99	Ditto ..	26-3-69	The agitation by Zamindars of Bhogpur Mill Area for the increase of the price of sugarcane from Rs 9 to Rs 10	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 2nd April, 1969
65	100	Dr. Amir Singh ..	26-3-69	The rejection of the resolution unanimously passed by the Municipal Committee, Urmer Tanda, for the abolition of House Tax	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 3rd April, 1969
66	101	Ditto	26-3-69	The hardships being faced by the residents of Kandi area in Hoshiarpur district due to the non-availability of drinking water and the damage caused by wild cows 'Gonds'	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 8th April, 1969
67	102	Com. Babu Singh Master	26-3-69	The demand of Punjab Subordinate Services district unit Ludhiana for an inquiry into the affairs of wrong payment to and beating of the employees of Block Samiti Sidhwan Bet at the hands of the B.D.O.	Statement not received
68	103	Giani Kundan Singh Patang	26-3-69	The wrong distribution of Harijan Welfare Fund during the last two years and the entire amount of loans having been advanced by Shri Dhannowali, the then Minister in charge, to his friends and relatives	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 22nd April, 1969
69	104	Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi	26-3-69	The appointment of 31 new headmasters in pursuance of letter No. 7/268-68/E.S.(1) dated the 31st December, 1968 out of which not a single person belonging to Backward Classes and Scheduled Castes has been promoted as headmaster	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 8th April, 1969

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70	105	Giani Kundan Singh Patang	26-3-69	The abuse of loud speakers and playing of records on private and public functions causing great deal of disturbance to the student community in particular and public in general	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 7th April, 1969
71	107	Sardar Dalip Singh ..	26 3-69	The goondaism indulged at the Government High School, Barnala, a Centre for Girls for Matriculation Examination, as a result of which the B.E.O. incharge of the arrangements was assaulted	The Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 9th April, 1969
72	108	Sardar Raja Singh ..	26-3-69	The serious demage caused to the vast area of cultivable land of Ropar district by the Siswan Nadi flowing from the foot of Shivalik Hills and the failure of the Government in taking preventive measures well in time	Ditto
73	82	Com. Babu Singh Master and Com. Satya Pal Dang	1-4-69	Non-issuance of diploma certificates to candidates of two years' course in Veterinary science	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 17th April, 1969
74	110	Com. Darshan Singh Jhabal	1-4-69	The serious damage caused recently by rains and hailstorm in the area of Attari, district Amritsar	The Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 9th April, 1969
75	113	Giani Kundan Singh Patang	1-4-69	The great loss to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes as a result of the abolition of Subordinate Service Selection Board	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 22nd April, 1969
76	114	Com. Satya Pal Dang, Babu Singh, Dana Ram and Kulwant Singh	1-4-69	The non-implementation of Government Notification on revised pay scales allowing three increments to classical and vernacular teachers	Statement not received

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77	115	Com. Satya Pal Dang, Babu Singh, Dhana Ram and Kalwant Sing	1-4-69	The failure of the Government to release selection grades to the vernacular teachers	The Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 9th April, 1969
78	117	Ditto	1-4-69	The failure of the Government in granting recognition to Punjab Subordinate Services Federation to participate in the Joint Consultative Machinery for Punjab Government employees	Statement not received
79	118	Shri Dalip Singh Pandhi	1-4-69	The possession of surplus lands not having been given to the tenants at Patiala to whom these had been allotted and who had paid the price therefor	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 7th April, 1969
80	119	Sardar Tara Singh Lyalpuri, Com. Satya Pal Dang, Shri Roop Lal Sathi, Ch. Ram Singh, S. Santokh Singh, S. Sarup Singh, Ch. Balbir Singh, S. Kirpal Singh and S. Beant Singh	1-4-69	Withdrawal of cases and meeting of other demands of Punjab Roadways workers	The Chief Minister made a Statement
81	120	Com. Satya Pal Dang and Com. Babu Singh Master	1-4-69	The constant exodus of experienced teaching staff from Medical Colleges	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 8th April, 1969
82	121	Com. Babu Singh Master	2-4-69	Firing by the Police on prisoners of Ferozepur Central Jail on 27th March, 1969	The Chief Minister made a Statement
83	123	Com. Babu Singh Master and Dana Ram	2-4-69	The heavy damage caused by recent hailstorm in district Bhatinda and Ferozepur	The Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 9th April, 1969
84	124	Com. Babu Singh Master	2-4-69	The alarming increase in unemployment among the educated youth	Statement not received
85	125	Sardar Darshan Singh Jhabal	2-4-69	The obstruction to the traffic caused by Shoal Bhullar drains during the rainy season	The Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 16th April, 1969

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86	127	Com. Kulwant Singh ..	2-4-69	Hunger strike by the Bhatha Mazdoor leaders before the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on 26th March, 1969	Not taken up as the Member was not present in the House
87	128	Ditto	2-4-69	Break down of talks between the Finance Minister and the representatives of the Post Graduate Teachers and their decision to sit on Dharnas before the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on 1st March, 1969.	Ditto
88	129	Ditto	2-4-69	Controversial statements by the Ministers regarding education policy	Ditto
89	131	Com. Satya Pal Dang and Babu Singh	2-4-69	The assualt on Shri Nazar Singh by Shri Kishan Baldev and others of village Kot Khalsa, district Amritsar on 11th February, 1969	Copies of the Statement were received on 25th April, 1969 and were sent to Member on 1st May, 1969
90	132	Comrades Satya Pal Dang and Babu Singh	2-4-69	Wide spread discontentment prevailing amongst the Higher Secondary students of Amritsar	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 22nd April, 1969
91	133	Ditto	2-4-69	The threatened direct form of action by the employees of Punjab State Electricity Board	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 15th April, 1969
92	135	Shri Gian Chand ..	2-4-69	The removal of wine shops from villages as a result of resolutions passed by village Panchayats	The Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 16th April, 1969
93	137	Sardar Kirpal Singh ..	2-4-69	The news-item in the Tribune dated 30th March, 1969 about the removal of 400 teachers of privately-managed schools from service	Copies of the Statement were received on 21st August, 1969 and were sent to Member on 22nd August, 1969

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94	138	Com. Darshan Singh Jhabal	2-4-69	The chain fasts by the Kisans in front of Lopoke Police Station against the repression at the hands of Police	The Industires Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 15th April, 1969
95	140	Sardar Trilochan Singh Riasti	2-4-69	The widespared damage caused to the crops in a large number of villages of Tehsil Bhatinda	The Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 9th April, 1969
96	141	Ch. Satya Dev ..	2-4-69	The gruesome cruelty perpetrated upon 10, 15 calves by some cruel people on Ram Naumi day in Abohar Mandi	The Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 10th April, 1969
97	142	Ditto	2-4-69	The heavy damage caused by hail storm and gale in 15, 20 villages in sub-tehsil Abohar, district Ferozepur	The Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 9th April, 1969
98	143	Bhagat Guran Dass Hans	2-4-69	The non-implementation of the decision of the Punjab Government that Government employees of one year's standing on 28th February, 1969 were to be made regular	Copies of the Statement were received on 3rd October, 1969 and were sent to Member on 8th October, 1969
99	147	Dr. Amir Singh ..	3-4-69	The inadequate accommodation in Government Girls Higher Secondary School, Urmar, Tehsil Dasuya	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 17th April, 1969
100	148	S Ajit Singh and S. Trilochan Singh Riasti	3-4-69	The heavy damage caused to standing crops of a number of villages in Talwandi Sabo area	The Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 9th April, 1969
101	151	Shri Gurdial Saini ..	3-4-69	The proposal of the Government to close down the Government Junior Technical School, Jullundur	The Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 10th April, 1969
102	152	Ch. Satya Dev ..	3-4-69	The proposed leasing out of land of Government Headworks, Ferozepur through auction	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 22nd April, 1969
103	155	S. Bachan Singh Pakho	3-4-69	The distribution of land in Bet area to the Harijans	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 21st April, 1969

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104	156	Shri Kewal Krishan ..	3-4-69	The harassment of poor cultivators of village Saryana by A.S.I. of Hamirpur Police Station	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 15th April, 1969
105	157	Ch. Jagat Ram ..	3-4-69	The strangulation to death of a couple in village Meliwana, Tehsil Nawan Shehr, Police Station Banga	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 21st April, 1969
106	158	Shri Kewal Krishan ..	3-4-69	The exemption from payment of toll tax for use of boat bridge on river Beas near village Naushehra	Statement not received
107	159	Com. Babu Singh Master	3-4-69	The failure of the Government in granting the scale of pay of Rs 300—600 to post-graduate teachers	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 15th April, 1969
108	160	S. Dalip Singh Pandhi	3-4-69	The cancellation of interviews of the candidates for the post of Inspector by the Excise and Taxation Commissioner fixed on 1st April, 1969	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 22nd April, 1969
109	163	S. Raja Singh ..	3-4-69	The demand for the deposit of fees amounting to Rs 6,000 from the students of Government Ayurvedic College, Patiala before being allowed to sit in the examination	The Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 10th April, 1969
110	166	S. Teja Singh ..	3-4-69	The non-implementation of the orders for opening two dispensaries in villages Manuke and Guru Tegh Bahadur Garh	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 15th April, 1969
111	167	S. Gurmit Singh ..	3-4-69	Re-resentment among the doctors who have rendered service with the Army in the recent National Emergency.	Not taken up as the Member was not present in the House.

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112	168	S. Dalip Singh ..	3-4-69	The damage caused to the building of Congress Office at Barnala	Copies of the Statement were received on 17th October, 1969 and sent to Members on 21st October, 1969
113	170	Shri Gurdial Saini ..	3-4-69	The communication set in the Office of the Industries Officer, Jullundur	Copies of the Statement were received on 24th April, 1969 and were sent to Members on 28th April, 1969
114	171	S. Darshan Singh, K.P.	3-4-69	The social ostracism of Harijans in village Dhanal Khurd, tehsil and district Jullundur	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 23rd April, 1969
115	172	Raja Narinder Singh ..	3-4-69	Obstructions caused by some members of village Makhewal in the construction of a Dharamsala by the Harijans	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 25th April, 1969
116	161	S. Kirpal Singh Makhewala	7-4-69	The damage caused to crops in certain villages in Bhatinda district	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 17th April, 1969
117	174	Comrades Kulwant Singh, Satya Pal Dang, Babu Singh and Dana Ram	7-4-69	The situation arising out of the chain hunger-strikes of the Bhatha Mazdoor Leaders before the Punjab Vidhan Sabha	Statement not received
118	175	Ditto	7-4-69	The breakdown of talks between the Finance Minister and representatives of Post Graduate teachers	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 17th April, 1969
119	176	Ditto	7-4-69	The confusion created about the education policy of the Government by the contradictory Statements of the Ministers and Leaders of the ruling coalition	Ditto
120	177	Ditto	7-4-69	The failure of the Government to provide relief to the drought hit Kandi area	The Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 16th April, 1969
121	178	Comrades Satya Pal Dang Babu Singh, Kulwant Singh, Dana Ram, Ch. Balbir Singh, Com. Darshan Singh Jnabal, S. Beant Singh	7-4-69	The failure of the Government in withdrawing all cases against Central employees in connection with the strike on the 19th September, 1968	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 15th April, 1969

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122	184	Shri Manmohan Kalia	7-4-69	The decision of the Punjab State Electricity Board not to implement the revised pay scales of Board's engineers	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 25th April, 1969
123	188	Com. Babu Singh Master, Shri Roop Lal Sathi and S. Tara Singh Lyallpuri	7-4-69	The failure of the Controller of Stores, Punjab to provide winter uniforms to Class IV Government employees this year	The Industries Minister laid Statement on the Table on 22nd April, 1969
124	190	S. Raja Singh ..	7-4-69	The gun-fire attack on Shri Tilak Raj of Kurali in an attempt to deprive him of a big sum of money withdrawn from a Bank	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 25th April, 1969
125	191	Shri Kewal Krishan ..	7-4-69	No tractor having been brought for the trainees of Tractor Mechanical Class in I.T.I. Talwara for the last eight months	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 22nd April, 1969
126	195	Bhagat Guran Dass Hans	7-4-69	The assault made in Hoshiarpur on a minor girl returning from Rajnimata fair on the 2nd April, 1969	The Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 10th April, 1969
127	196	S. Dalip Singh Pandhi	7-4-69	The shortage of buses on Patiala to Sirhind and many other routes in the State	Copies of the Statement were received on 6th May, 1969, and were sent to Member on 15th May,1969
128	197	S. Dalip Singh ..	7-4-69	The situation arising out of plying of private cars as taxis	Copies of the Statement were received on 5th November, 1969 and were supplied to Members on 6th November, 1969

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129	198	Sardar Gurmit Singh ..	8-4-69	The non implementation of the decision regarding the benefit of war service to the Doctors who rendered service with the Army in the National Emergency	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 15th April, 1969
130	199	Comrades Satya Pal Dang, Kulwant Singh and Dana Ram	8-4-69	The failure of the Government in giving the teachers of provincialized schools the benefit of pension at par with the teachers in other schools	Statement not received
131	200	Ditto	8-4-69	The absence of a clear Government policy about the future of provincialized schools	Copies of the Statement were received on 30th July, 1969 and were sent to Member on 13th August, 1969
132	201	Ditto	8-4-69	The criminal assault made on Shrimati Dalip Kaur, Auxiliary Nurse Midwife Primary Health Centre, Mand	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 21st April, 1969
133	202	Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda and Ch. Ram Singh	8-4-69	The decision of Punjab Schools (Recognized) Teachers Union to go on one day casual leave on 11th April, 1969 and the situation caused thereby	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 17th April, 1969
134	203	Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda	8-4-69	The protest by the Higher Secondary students of Amritsar on the decision of the University to re-examine the students of Amritsar in 11 papers	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 22nd April, 1969
135	204	Master Gurbanta Singh	8-4-69	The damage caused to village Sanghwal etc. of Jullundur district by Sem.	Ditto
136	205	Ditto	8-4-69	The failure to clear and the likely damage from shrubbery in drain near village Nagajja, tehsil and district Jullundur	Ditto
137	206	Ditto	8-4-69	The damage caused to temporary culvert on a drain going between village Boole and Maridpur during rainy season	Copies of the statement were received on 24th April, 1969 and were sent to Member on 28th April, 1969
138	207	Shri Gurdial Saini ..	8-4-69	Gravely injuring the religious feelings of Shri Dev Kumar by Incharge Police Chowki No. 3 Jullundur City	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 17th April, 1969

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139	209	Ch. Balbir Singh ..	8-4-69	Misappropriation of lakhs of rupees by a group of Officers of the Irrigation Department	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 22nd April, 1969
140	210	S. Kirpal Singh	8-4-69	The leasing out of Municipal Land in Ajit Nagar, Amritsar to Shri Sat Pal Mahajan	Statement not received
141	212	Comrades Darshan Singh Jhabal and Hardit Singh Bhathal	8-4-69	Supply of power for 4/5 hours in 24 hours to tube-wells	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 22nd April, 1969
142	214	S. Dalip Singh Pandhi	8-4-69	The reversion of large number of employees of the Border Security Forces to the P.A.P. by the Punjab Government	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 21st April, 1969
143	215	Ditto	8-4-69	The renaming of Institute of Modern Languages, Patiala to Sanskrit Vidyala and lowering of the standard of teaching of Punjabi therein	Statement not received
144	216	Major Harinder Singh	9-4-69	Restrictions imposed on Sikhs residing in U.K. in the matter of beards and turbans	The Chief Minister made a statement
145	217	Ditto	9-4-69	Fixation of the price of wheat and other food grains	Ditto
146	218	Ch. Tulsi Ram Chauhan	9-4-69	Non-availability of drinking water and damage caused to crops in Kandi area of Sub-Tehsil Bala Gnaur	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 21st April, 1969

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147	220	Comrades Satya Pal Dang, Babu Singh and Dana Ram	9-4-69	The reduction of octroi rates in Chheharta by 50 per cent	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 22nd April, 1969
148	221	Ditto	9-4-69	The situation arising out of the agitation launched by the Engineers of the Punjab State Electricity Board	The Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister laid a statement on the Table on 16th April, 1969
149	225	Shri Gurdial Saini ..	9-4-69	The appointment of Chairman, Khadi Board, Punjab	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 22nd April, 1969
150	228	Ch. Balbir Singh ..	9-4-69	The defective drinking water made available by the Municipal Committee, Hoshiarpur	Statement not received
151	229	Com. Babu Singh Master	10-4-69	The Dharna and hunger strike by Para Medical and Health Employees at Ferozepur	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 21st April, 1969
152	230	Ditto	10-4-69	The retrenchment of Steno-typists posted in Panchayat Samitis	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 17th April, 1969
153	231	S. Gurbanta Singh ..	10-4-69	The upgrading of the village Primary School to Middle School in village Harimpur, tehsil and district Jullundur	Copies of the Statement were received on 29th July, 1969 and were sent to Member on 13th August, 1969
154	232	Ditto	10-4-69	The construction of village roads in Jullundur Tehsil	Copies of the Statement were received on 24th September, 1969 and were sent to Member on 6th October, 1969
155	236	Com. Darshan Singh ..	10-4-69	The Seed Testing Laboratory, Ludhiana	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 21st April, 1969
156	237	S. Kirpal Singh	10-4-69	The off take of wheat stocks from the Markets ..	Copies of the Statement were received on 15th October, 1969 and were sent to Member on 21st October, 1969.

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157	238	S. Kirpal Singn	10-4-69	The admission to 6th Class in Government and other schools at Amritsar	Copies of the Statement were received on 20th August, 1969 and were sent to Member on 22nd August, 1969
158	239	Ditto	10-4-69	The restrictions on the preparation of milk products	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 23rd April, 1969
159	240	S. Kartar Singh Vaid ..	10-4-69	The Amrit Co-operative Multipurpose Society Ltd., Ropar	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 21st April, 1969
160	241	Shri Kewal Krishan ..	10-4-69	The merciless beating of a Patwari	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the table on 24th April, 1969
161	242	Ditto	10-4-69	The sale of lottery tickets	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 22nd April, 1969
162	243	S. Tara Singh and Com. Satya Pal Dang	10-4-69	The Junior Auditors and Clerks of Food and Supplies Department	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 21st April, 1969
163	245	Comrades Satya Pal Dang, Kulwant Singh and Dana Ram	10-4-69	The death of two employees in the V.J. Hospital, Amritsar	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 25th April, 1969
164	248	Captain Rattan Singh ..	10-4-69	Irregularities committed by the Secretary, Market Committee Mansa against the Class IV employees	Not taken up as the Member was not present in the House

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165	250	Ch. Sunder Singh ..	15-4-69	The imminent danger to certain villages of tehsil Pathankot, district Gurdaspur at present surrounded by river water, being washed away during the rainy season.	Copies of the Statement were received on 24th March, 1969 and were sent to Member on 28th April, 1969
166	251	Master Gurbanta Singh	15-4-69	The loss being suffered by the peasants of the State due to the non release of Triple Dwarf wheat seed by the Agriculture Department	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 25th April, 1969
167	252	S. Santokh Singh	15-4-69	The situation caused by the decision of the Principals of Higher Secondary Schools of Amritsar not to allow any official of the University to enter the school premises to reconduct the Higher Secondary Part II examination.	The Chief Minister made a Statement in the House
168	254	Shri Sardari Lal Kapoor	15-4-69	Hunger-strike by students of Dayanand Medical College, Ludhiana against postponement of their tests by six months	Not taken up as the Member was not present in the House
169	255	Com. Kulwant Singh and Babu Singh Master	15-4-69	The misbehaviour of the S.H.O. of village Jaurkian, tehsil Mansa and the indiscriminate beating of the people by him at a public gathering in Harijan Dharamsala of the village	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 22nd April, 1969
170	256	Com. Kulwant Singh and Com. Babu Singh Master	15-4-69	The discontinuation of the water supply in village Talwandi Sabo, district Bhatinda by the P. W. D.	Copies of the Statement were received on 25th April, 1969 and were sent to Member on 1st May, 1969
171	257	H. H. Nawab, Iftikhar Ali Khan	15-4-69	Misappropriation by Mohammad Ismail, Secretary, Jamalpura Fertilizer Sub-Depot, Malerkotla	Not taken up as the Member was not present in the House
172	259	Ch. Sunder Singh ..	15-4-69	The non-upgrading of the Middle School, Narot Mehra, tehsil Pathankot, district Gurdaspur	Copies of the Statement were received on 18th July, 1969 and were sent to Member on 22nd July, 1969
173	260	Ditto ..	15-4-69	The non-electrification of about 100 villages in Taragarh area, tehsil Pathankot, district Gurdaspur	Statement not received

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174	261	S. Dalip Singh Pandhi	15-4-69	The improper teaching done in Patiala as a whole and especially in the villages of Sirhind Block	Copies of the Statement were received on 24th December, 1969 and were sent to Member on 30th December, 1969
175	262	Ditto ..	15-4-69	The supply of a large number of Cooper Diesel Engines to the farmers by Patiala Co-operative Supply and Marketing Federation	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 22nd April, 1969
176	268	Shri Gian Chand ..	15-4-69	The termination of the services of five teachers working on probation in the privately-managed schools in violation of the orders of the Punjab Government to district Education Officers	Statement not received on
177	270	Master Gurbanta Singh	15-4-69	The grant of loans to Kisans through Land Mortgage Bank in Jullundur Tehsil	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 24th April, 1969.
178	271	Comrades Babu Singh Master, Kulwant Singh, Dana Ram and Satya Pal Dang	15-4-69	The non-payment of wages for March, 1969 to the Workshop Staff of Punjab Roadways, Moga	Copies of the Statement were received on 1st July, 1969 and were sent to Members on 8th July, 1969
179	273	Ditto ..	15-4-69	The non-payment of wages for the month of March to over two thousand employees working in the Hospitals against the para Medical and Health staff	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 22nd April, 1969
180	275	Ch. Tulsi Ram ..	15-4-69	Chain fast by the students of Daya Nand Medical College, Ludhiana demanding affiliation of the College to the Punjab University	Not taken up as the Member was not present in the House

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181	277	Ch. Satya Dev ..	15-4-69	The injustice meted out by the Patwaris to the cultivators in 15, 20 villages of Abohar Tehsil who have suffered heavy loss as a result of recent hail storm	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 25th April, 1969
182	279	Ch. Balbir Singh ..	15-6-69	The probe into the circumstances leading to the death of a College Lecturer, Shri S. R. Kapoor	Ditto
183	281	Com. Babu Singh Master and Com. Kulwant Singh	15-4-69	Defective Diesal Engines purchased by the farmers belonging to Patiala District through the District Branch of State Co-operative Supply and Marketing Federation	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 21st April, 1969
184	282	Com. Kulwant Singh ..	15-4-69	The low prices at which wheat was being sold in the Punjab State in general and Grain Market in Patiala in particular	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 24th April, 1969
185	284	Comrade Kulwant Singh, and Com. Dana Ram	15-4-69	Cancelling of local bus service between Moga-Bagha-Purana, Moga-Nathuwala etc.	Not taken up as the Member was not present in the House.
186	276	Shri Gurmej Singh ..	15-4-69	Distributary sanctioned from Amritsar Branch of Upper Bari Doab Canal	Copies of the Statement were received on 24th April, 1969 and were sent to Member on 28th April, 1969
187	278	Ch. Satya Dev ..	16-4-69	Visits of Inspectors to Shops under the Pure Food Act.	Copies of the Statement were received on 6th May, 1969 and were sent to Member on 15th May, 1969
188	280	Ch. Balbir Singh ..	16-4-69	Report about smuggling of a truck load of cloves in Amritsar	Copies of the Statement were received on 23rd October, 1969 and were supplied to Members on 29th October, 1969
189	286	Capt. Rattan Singh ..	16-4-69	Forcible possession of land belonging to Gurdwara of Sant Baga Singh in district Ludhiana	Copies of the Statement were received on 8th September, 1969 and were sent to Member on 12th September, 1969
190	287	Com. Satya Pal Dang and Com. Babu Singh Master	16-4-69	The police authorities having illegally kept the leaders of Higher Secondary students in Amritsar in police lock-up	Statement not received

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191	289	S. Mehtab Singh ..	16-4-69	Sub-merging of Rabi Crops as a result of releasing water in Sukkar Nallah through Rajasthan Canal	Copies of the Statement were received on 9th September, 1969 and were sent to Member on 13th October, 1969
192	290	Com. Satya Pal Dang ..	16-4-69	Non-payment of bonus for 1967-68 to Roadways employees	Statement not received
193	291	Com. Satya Pal Dang and Com. Babu Singh Master	16-4-69	Depriving the tenants on Government land in Naiwala district Patiala, of their crops	Copies of the Statement were received on 7th October, 1969 and were sent to Members on 8th October, 1969
194	292	Com. Satya Pal Dang and Com. Babu Singh Master	16-4-69	"Dharnas" planned by 200 strong Co-ordination Committee Para-Veterinary Employees Unions	Statement not received
195	293	Ditto ...	16-4-69	Arrest of tenants of M/s Hira Nand-Hari Krishan absentee landlords in village Jogewala, district Patiala	D. O. received from the Chief Minister (matter subjudice)
196	294	S. Umrao Singh ..	16-4-69	Non-payment of Government share of rent of houses allotted to Journalists in Chandigarh	Copies of the Statement were received on 13rd November, 1969 and were sent to Member on 18th November, 1969
197	295	H. H. Nawab Iftikhar Ali Khan	16-4-69	Mis-appropriation of money by the Secretary of the Jamalpura Ferilizer Sub-Depot at Malerkotla	Copies of the Statement were received on 1st August, 1969 and were sent to Member on 13th August, 1969

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198	296	Shri Sardari Lal Kapoor	16-4-69	Admission to schools in Ludhiana ..	Copies of the Statement were received on 21st August, 1969 and were sent to Member on 22nd August, 1969
199	298	Shri Kewal Krishan ..	16-4-69	Shifting of the office dealing with evaeuees of area around Talwara Township to Amritsar	Copies of the Statement were received on 8th May, 1969 and wete sent to Member on 9th May, 1969
200	299	Ditto ..	16-4-69	Damage to crops in villages situated on the bank of river Beas in Dasuya Tehsil, district Hoshiarpur	Copies of the Statement were received on 10th September, 1969, and were sent to Member on 12th September, 1969
201	300	Shri Ram Singh ..	16-4-69	Increase in rates of Sales Tax on foodgrains ..	Copies of the Statement were received on 13th October, 1969 and were sent to Members on
202	301	S. Dalip Singh Pandhi	16-4-69	The operations performed in Rajindra Hospital, Patiala	The Indusstries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 25th April, 1969
203	302	Com. Darshan Singh Jhabal and Com. Hardit Singh Bhathal	16-4-69	The murders in Police Station Jhabal, district Amritsar	Copies of the Statement were received on 25th April, 1969 and were sent to Members on 1st May, 1969
204	258	S. Kirpal Singh Makhewala	17-4-69	The misbehaviour by some influential persons towards Police Officials of Police Station Ghall Khurd, district Ferozepur	The Industries Minister laid a Statement of the Table on 25th April, 1969
205	303	Comrades Satya Pal Dang and Kulwant Singh	17-4-69	The decision of Municipal Employees Union to Start Dharna with effect from 21st April, 1969, to protest against the delay on the part of the State Government in publishing and implementing the Report of the Pay Committee for Municipal Employees	Ditto
206	304	Comrade Satya Pal Dang Kulwant Singh and Dana Ram	17-4-69	The decision of the Cooks and Kharas of Medical and Dental Colleges at Amritsar and Patiala to go on an indefinite strike from 22nd April, 1969	Ditto

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207	305	Comrades Satya Pal Dang Kulwant Singh and Dana Ram ..	17-4-69	The 'Dharna started by unemployed teachers outside the Vidhan Sabha as a protest against the Policy of Government on employment	Statement not received
208	306	Com. Darshan Singh Jhabal	17-4-69	The failure of the Government in framing service rules for the Lecturers in Government Higher Secondary Schools and the situation arising therefrom	do
209	307	Com. Satya Pal Dang ..	17-4-69	The situation created by the decision of P. W. D., (B. and R.) employees Associations Unions to direct its members to sit on Dharna on April, 1969, at all District Headquarters	do
210	308	Com. Dana Ram ..	17-4-69	The situation arising out of the decision of Co-ordination Committee of Para-Medical and Health employees associations and Unions to join the State-wide Dharnas at District Headquarters for accepting the demand of the employees to start negotiations	Copies of the Statement were received on 6th September, 1969 and were sent to Member on 12th September, 1969
211	309	Giani Kundan Singh Patang	17-4-69	The too meagre amount paid for food to all the accused arrested by the police and kept in police custody for investigation	The Industries Minister laid astatement on the Table on 23rd April, 1969
212	310	Ditto ..	17-4-69	The absence of any bridge on drains between villages Panj Grain and Ganda Singh Wala, Hamidi and Guram and Badhechhe and Kuthala in Sherpur Constituency	Statement not received

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213	311	Ch. Ran Singh ..	17-4-69	The decision of the officials of the Industries Department and Industrial Training Department to sit in Dharna from 21st April, to the 24th April, in support of their demands	Copies of the Statement were received on 8th August, 1969 and were sent to Members on 22nd August, 1969
214	312	Com. Babu Singh, Com. Satya Pal Dang, and Com. Kulwant Singh	21-4-69	The acute discontentment amongst the B.A., B.Ed., trained teachers as for the last five years none of them had been taken into service	Statement not received
215	314	Com. Satya Pal Dang, Com. Babu Singh and Com. Kulwant Singh	21-4-69	The resentment amongst the Punjab Roadways Workers of Pathankot Depot due to ill-treatment and indiscriminate suspensions of active workers of the Union	Copies of the Statement were received on 30th October, 1969 and were sent to Members on 4th November, 1969
216	315	S. Dalip Singh Pandhi	21-4-69	The free travelling employees of the Police, Transport, Revenue and Excise Taxation Departments in Government and Private Buses	Copies of the Statement were received on 6th August, 1969, and were sent to Members on 13th August, 1969
217	317	Com. Satya Pal Dang, Com. Kulwant Singh and Com. Dana Ram	21-4-69	The acute discontentment prevailing amongst the employees of the Canal Department as a result of the non-confirmation of any employee of the Department since 1960	Copies of the Statement were received on 15th July, 1969, and were sent to Members on 18th July, 1969
218	318	S. Umrao Singh and S. Lachhman Singh	21-4-69	The irregularities committed in the appointment of Sub-Inspectors in the Food Supplies Department	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 25th April, 1969
219	319	Ch. Balbir Singh	21-4-69	The illegal gratification extorted from the people and bogus allotment of evacuee land in Kandi area of tehsil Hoshiarpur	Copies of the Statement were received on 25th April, 1969, and were sent to Members on 1st May, 1969
220	320	Ditto	21-4-69	The unauthorised occupation of Government land in village Adoaal Garhi, tehsil Hoshiarpur	Statement not received
221	321	Com. Darshan Singh and S. Balbir Singh	21-4-69	The failure of the officials of Pepsu Road Transport Corporation to pick up pass-holders on Rajpura Chandigarh route in particular and on Patiala Chandigarh route in general	Copies of the Statement were received on 1st August, 1969 and were sent to Members on 13th August, 1969

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222	323	S. Dalip Singh	21-4-69	The Government buildings, shops and quarters let out to private individuals	Copies of the Statement were received on 6th November, 1969, and were sent to Members on 12th November, 1969
223	325	Com. Satya Pal Dang	21-4-69	The acute discontenment that has arisen amongst the staff members (teachers and non-teachers) of 25 High and Higher Secondary Schools which were being run by private managements but had been taken over by the Government during the year, 1966-67.	Statement not received
224	326	Ch. Balbir Singh	22-4-69	The alleged murderous assault made on Shri R. S. Arneja, S.D.O., Electricity	The Chief Minister made a Statement in the House on 23rd April, 1969
225	329	S. Santokh Singh	22-4-69	The situation caused due to the decision of the Punjab Government to occupy land situated on the other side of Ravi, near Dera Baba Nanak to hand it over to Forest Department	Copies of the Statement were received on 8th August, 1969. and were sent to Member on 22nd August, 1969
226	331	S. Kirpal Singh	22-4-69	Great resentment prevailing amongst private school teachers over the indiscriminate termination of the services of many teachers without the prior approval of the D.P.I.	Statement not received
227	332	Com. Darshan Singh Jhabal and Jathedar Hardit Singh Bhathal	22-4-69	The non-allotment of land to the uprooted persons in lieu of the land acquired from them for Rajasthan Canal Project in 65 villages	Copies of the Statement were received on 11th August, 1969 and were sent to Members on 22nd August, 1969

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228	333	Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal and Jathedar Hardit Singh Bhathal	22-4-69	The agitation started by the agricultural labourers of Birla Farm in support of increase in their wages and other demands	Copies of the Statement were received on 23rd June, 1969 and were sent to Members on 28th June, 1969
229	334	Shri Kewal Krishan	22-4-69	The serious situation caused due to the area from villages Chak Shero, Chak Kalan etc. in police station Mukerian to the Southern Bank of river Beas having become a Cold Sea	State ment not received
230	335	S. Kartar Singh	22-4-69	The high-handedness of the employment Department district Hoshiarpur Branch where the unemployed persons going to that office have to pay hundreds of rupees to the officials concerned to get their names recommended	Copies of the Statement were received on 1st September, 1969 and were sent to Member on 8th September, 1969
231	336	S. Dalip Singh	22-4-69	The damage caused to the Narwana Branch of Bhakra Main Line as the contractors had used inferior quality of material	Copies of the Statement were received on 7th August, 1969 and were sent to Member on 22nd August, 1969
232	338	Ch. Ram Singh and S. Santokh Singh	23-4-69	The alleged embezzlement of Rs 2½ lakhs made by the Co-operative Marketing-cum-Processing Society, Ltd., Batala	Statement not received
233	341	Ditto	23-4-69	The arrest of one Amrik Singh Duggal, Inspector, Agriculture Department, Moga, in a Seed Scandal in which a sum of Rs 36 thousand was involved	Copies of the Statement were received on 25th April, 1969 and sent to the Members on 1st May, 1969
234	347	S. Dalip Singh Pandhi	23-4-69	The harassment of Government Transport employees at Ludhiana Bus Stand by Private Bus Operators	Copies of the Statement were received on 12th August, 1969 and were sent to Member on 22nd August, 1969
235	339	H. H. Nawab Iftikhar Ali Khan	24-4-69	The bifurcation of Punjab Wakf Board	Copies of the State ment were received on 5th August, 1969 and were sent to Member on 8th August, 1969

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Serial No.	Call Attention Notice No.	Member/Members Calling Attention	Date	Subject-matter	REMARKS
1	2	3	4	5	6
236	348	Comrades Satya Pal Dang, Dana Ram, Darshan Singh Jhabal, Hardit Singh Bhathal, Kulwant Singh and Babu Singh	24-4-69	The acute discontentment prevailing amongst hundreds of worker tenants of the Labour Colony opposite Amritsar Sugar Mills, Chheharta, in particular and the working class of the area in general because of the failure of the P.W.D. authorities to provide street lights in the internal streets of the Colony	Statement not received
237	349	Shri Kewal Krishan	24-4-69	Scarcity of drinking water in hilly areas of Talwara etc.	Not taken up as the Member was not present in the House
238	350	S. Mehtab Singh	24-4-69	Non-payment of price of Sugar cane purchased by the managements of Sugar Mills in Ferozepur District.	Ditto
239	355	Ch. Satya Dev	24-4-69	The ruination of the farmers at the tails of the canals due to cuts made in the canals in Abohar Division	Copies of the Statement were received on 29th August, 1969, and were sent to Member on 8th September, 1969
240	356	S. Darshan Singh, K.P.	24-4-69	Not keeping land for cremation grounds dumping of manure etc. by Panchayats in Garden Colonies Jullundur District.	Not taken up as the Member was not present in the House
241	357	Ch. Jagat Ram and Com. Kulwant Singh	25-4-69	Filling up of some posts sanctioned by the Government for the conduct of the fourth general election to Panchayats in the office of Director of Panchayats, Punjab	Copies of the Statement were received on 26th November, 1969 and were sent to Members on 1st December, 1969
242	358	Shri Roop Lal Sathi	25-4-69	Dilapidated condition of the road constructed from Moga to Charhik	Statement not received

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243	359	Shri Roop Lal Sathi	25-4-69	The raid conducted on behalf of the High Court on Bagha Purana Police Station on 21st August, 1968 when some persons were found kept under illegal confinement by the Sub-Inspector, Sajjan Singh,etc.	Statement not received
244	360	S. Sarup Singh	25-4-69	The lack of drinking water due to sinking of the only tubewell provided for the purpose in mohalla Abadpura, Jullundur City	Copies of the Statement were received on 6th June, 1969 and were sent to Member on 12th June, 1969
245	361	Com. Satya Pal Dang	25-4-69	The failure of the Government to make payments of stipends to trainees of I.T.I. Mahilpur district Hoshiarpur, for 5 months	Copies of the Statement were received on 14th May, 1969 and were sent to Member on 15th May, 1969
246	362	Ditto	25-4-69	The opening of Wine Shop very near Gurdwara Pipli Sahib Putlighar, Amritsar as also very near a temple, a hospital and the office of Trade Union	Copies of the Statement were received on 2nd January, 1970 and were sent Member on 7th January, 1970
247	363	Shri Roop Lal Sathi	25-4-69	The continuation of the Chief Engineer, Drainge, Punjab, on that post for the last 10 years in violation of the Rules	Statement not received
248	366	Shri Kewal Krishan	25-4-69	The deplorable condition of the Shah Nahr in Sub-Tehsil, Mukerian in the absence of its own permanent headwork	Do
249	367	Ditto	25-4-69	The non-supply of water to several hilly villages of Punjab known as Darera area, which are supplied drinking water through pipes from village Bhader Kali, situated in Himachal	Do
250	368	S. Darshan Singh, K.P.	25-4-69	Non-provision of land for cremation grounds, dumping of manure and firnies, in the Garden Colonies in Jullundur District	Copies of the Statement were received on 8th October, 1969, and were sent to Member on 13th October, 1969
251	369	Dr. Amir Singh Kalkat	25-4-69	The payment of lower rate by Bhogpur Co-operative Sugar Mills for the Sugarcame supplied to it.	Copies of the Statement were received on 18th August, 1969, and were sent to Member on 22nd August, 1969
252	372	Sardar Kirpal Singh	25-4-69	Injustice done to the temporary employees with less than one year's service by regularisation of the services of the Punjab Government employees with one year's service	Copies of the statement were received on 29th September, 1969, and were sent to Member on 6th October, 1969

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DISCUSSION ON SPECIAL SUBJECTS

Serial No.	Minister/Member moving	Moved on	Discussed on	Subject Matter	Decision/Remarks
1	Minister for Irrigation	1st April, 1969	1st April, 1969	The Annual Administration Report of the Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 1966-67 laid on the Table of the House on the 19th March, 1969	Discussed together. The Irrigation Minister by way of reply spoke for 17 minutes
2	Ditto	Ditto	Ditto	The Annual Financial Statement (Budget Estimates) of the Electricity Board for the years 1968-69 and 1969-70 laid on the Table of the House on 19th and 24th March, 1967, respectively	
3	Minister of Industries	22nd April, 1969	22nd April, 1969	Discussion on the Punjab Pay Commission Report 1967-68 laid on the Table of the House on 18th March, 1969	Discussed. The Finance Minister by way of reply spoke for 25 minutes
4	Com. Dana Ram]	23rd April, 1969	23rd April, 1969	Discussion on the Fourteenth and Sixteenth Reports of the Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes for the years 1964-65 and 1966-67 laid on the Table of the House on the 26th March, 1969	Discussed together
5	Ditto	Ditto	Ditto	Discussion on the Thirteenth and Fifteenth Reports of the Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Tribes for the years 1963-64 and 1965-66 laid on the Table of the House on the 3rd April, 1969	
6	S. Dalip Singh Pandhi	24th Aptil, 1969	24th April, 1969	Discussion on the Financial Review of the working of the Pepsu Road Transport Corporation, Patiala, during the years 1965-1966 laid on the Table of the House on the 8th April, 1969	Discussed. The Chief Minister by way of reply spoke for 5 minutes

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DISCUSSION UNDER RULE 84

Serial No.	Member moving	Moved on	Discussed on	Subject matter	Remarks
1	Coms. Satya Pal Dang and Babu Singh Master ..	1-4-69	11-4-69	Regarding statement made by the Chief Minister about the Ferozepur Jail incident	
2	Com. Satya Pal Dang and others ..	9-4-69	11-4-69	Regarding the Ferozepur Jail incident	
3	Coms. Satya Pal Dang, Dana Ram, Kulwant Singh, Darshan Singh Jhabal and Ch. Balbir Singh	16-4-69	17-4-69	Regarding the decision of the Government of India relating to Food Zone	
4	S. Surjit Singh, S. Balwant Singh and S. Gurmit Singh	16-4-69	17-4-69	Regarding enlargement of Food Zone and fixation of food prices	

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Note.— The Chief Minister/Ministers made/placed on the Table a total number of 137 statements including 135 statements made in reply to Call Attention Notices. The details in regard to the remaining two statements are as follows :—

Serial No.	Date	Made by	Subject matter
1	1st April, 1969	... Chief Minister	.. Relating to the Ferozepur Jail incident on 23rd March, 1969
2	10th April, 1969	.. Ditto	.. Relating the restrictions imposed on the Sikhs residing in United Kingdom.

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Comparative Statement of Speeches made and time taken thereon-Budget Session, 1969

Number of Speeches made by				Time taken by			
Treasury Benches				*Treasury Benches*			
Members (excluding Ministers)	Ministers	Unattached Members	Members of Opposition	Members excluding Ministers	Ministers	Unattached Members	Members of opposition
				H. M	H. M.	H.M.	H. M.
83	26	85	88	19 ·07	6.12	16.47	21.05
29 ·43 Per cent	9 ·22 Per cent	30 ·14 Per cent	31 ·21 Per cent	30 ·3 Per cent	9 ·8 Per cent	26 ·6 per cent	33 ·3 Per cent

Notes :—

(1) Observations/Statements/Rulings, etc., by the Chair and the time taken thereon are not included in the above statement.

(2) Question Hour has been excluded from the statement.

(3) Time taken on divisions, adjournment motions, call attention motions, privilege motions, points of order, motions in respect of Legislation, personal explanations, etc., is also excluded from the statement.

Figures relating to Questions

1.	Total number of sittings of the Sabha ..	29
2.	Number of questions (Starred and Unstarred) received ..	1,056
3.	Number of Short Notice Questions received ..	21
4.	Total number of sittings at which the question hour was dispensed with ..	—
5.	Number of Members from whom notices were received ..	75
6.	Total number of questions to which oral answers were given	259
7.	Largest number of questions orally answered on any one day ..	22
8.	Least number of questions orally answered on any one day ..	4
9.	Total number of starred questions converted into unstarred questions ..	121
10.	Total number of unstarred questions replied to ..	141
11.	Largest number of questions addressed to any one Minister (Chief Minister) ..	212
12.	Largest number of questions orally answered by any one Minister (Chief Minister) ..	153
13.	Total number of statements supplied to the Members in reply to their questions ..	92

Note.—There was no Question Hour on the 11th April, 1969 and all the 25 starred questions on the order paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

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QUESTIONS

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STATEMENT

Question	Number of notices received	Number admitted	Number disallowed	Number not put	Number answered		Number deemed to have been answered under Rule 45		Number of supplementaries put	Remarks
Starred ..	849	642	207	19	259	Treasury 48 Opposition 84 Independent 1 C.P.I. 100 C.P.I.(M) 16 S.S.P. 6 P.S.P. 4	208	Treasury 67 Opposition 71 C.P.I. 37 C.P.I. (M) 17 S.S.P. 5 P.S.P. 11	1,211	1. 29 Starred Questions could not be included in any lists of questions 2. 121 Starred questions were converted into Unstarred Questions and included in the Supplementary list of Unstarred Questions (converted as such from Starred) for the 25th April, 1969 3. 2 Starred Questions were deleted from the lists of questions 4. 3 Starred Questions were withdrawn by the Members concerned 5. 1 Starred Question was disallowed as a Short Notice Question on the subject had been answered

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Unstarred ..	207	163	44	..	141	Treasury	25	..	..	1. 21 Unstarred Questions could not be included in any lists of questions 2. 1 Unstarred Question was withdrawn by the Member concerned
						Opposition	40			
						C.P.I.	58			
						C.P.I.(M)	6			
						P.S.P.	12			
Short Notice	21	10	11	..	4	Treasury	1			1. 1 Short Notice Question was treated as Ordinary Starred Question 2. Replies in respect of 5 Short Notice Questions were not received from the Government till the end of the Session
						Opposition	1			
						S.S.P.	2			

Statement showing the number of Starred Questions answered date-wise

Date	Treasury	Opposition	Independents	C.P.I.	C.P.I. (M)	S.S.P.	P.S.P.	Total
17th March, 1969	3	..	..	5	..	..	2	10
18th March, 1969	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	6
19th March, 1969..	..	3	..	6	..	..	..	9
20th March, 1969	..	..	..	4	..	..	...	4
24th March, 1969..	1	4	..	3	3	..	...	11
25th March, 1969..	..	6	..	2	3	..	..	11
26th March, 1969..	..	4	..	2	3	3	..	12
1st April, 1969 ..	3	6	..	4	3	1	...	17
2nd April, 1969 (Morning sitting)	1	6	..	2	..	..	1	10
3rd April, 1969 .. (Morning sitting)	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	6
7th April, 1969 ..	3	5	..	6	2	..	..	16
8th April, 1969 ..	4	1	..	9	..	..	..	14
9th April, 1969 ..	3	4	..	8	..	..	..	15
10th April, 1969 ..	3	..	..	5	2	..	...	10
15th April, 1969 ..	5	5	1	6	..	..	...	17
16th April, 1969 ..	2	10	..	10	..	..	..	22
17th April, 1969 ..	6	8	...	1	..	...	...	15
21st April, 1969 ...	3	2	...	7	..	..	...	12
22nd April, 1969 ..	5	3	...	8	...	...	...	16
23rd April, 1969 ...	4	5	...	1	..	...	1	11
24th April, 1969 ...	..	6	...	...	..	2	...	8
25th April, 1969 (Morning sitting)	2	3	..	2	..	..	...	7
Total	48	84	1	100	16	6	4	259

Note—There was no Question Hour on the 11th April, 1969 and all the 25 Starred Questions on the order paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

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Statement showing the number of Starred Questions deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 date-wise

Date	Treasury	Opposition	C.P.I.	C.P.I. (M)	S.S.P.	P.S.P.	Total
1st April, 1969 ..	6	6	5	2	..	3	22
2nd April, 1969 (Morning sitting) ..	2	4	5	..	..	2	13
3rd April, 1969 (Morning sitting) ..	2	9	7	1	..	..	19
7th April, 1969 ..	1	5	..	..	..	..	6
8th April, 1969 ..	4	4	..	..	..	..	8
9th April, 1969 ..	5	4	1	..	..	..	10
10th April, 1969 ..	7	2	..	1	1	3	14
11th April, 1969 ..	8	6	6	2	..	3	25
16th April, 1969 ..	..	..	2	..	..	..	2
17th April, 1969 ..	..	2	2	..	..	..	4
21st April, 1969 ..	5	6	1	6	..	..	18
22nd April, 1969 ..	5	..	2	..	..	..	7
23rd April, 1969 ..	4	4	1	3	..	..	12
24th April, 1969 ..	..	8	..	2	4	..	14
25th April, 1969 ..	18	11	5	..	..	..	34
Total ..	67	71	37	17	5	11	208

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Statement showing the number of Starred Questions in the names of different Ministers datewise

Date	Chief Minister	Industries Minister	Irrigation and Power Minister	Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister	Finance Minister	Total
17th March, 1969 ..	6	2	2	..	..	10
18th March, 1969 ..	4	1	..	1	..	6
19th March, 1969 ..	4	..	1	1	3	9
20th March, 1969 ..	..	1	3	..	..	4
24th March, 1969 ..	8	..	2	2	1	13
25th March, 1969 ..	3	..	3	2	4	12
26th March, 1969 ..	6	1	7	1	3	18
*28th March, 1969 ..	7	..	6	..	2	15
1st April, 1969 ..	10	1	12	1	1	25
2nd April, 1969 ..	9	1	14	..	1	25
3rd April, 1969 ..	5	1	16	3	..	25
7th April, 1969 ..	15	..	4	3	3	25
8th April, 1969 ..	15	1	4	3	2	25
9th April, 1969 ..	10	..	13	1	1	25
10th April, 1969 ..	14	1	10	..	..	25
11th April, 1969 ..	6	..	12	3	4	25
15th April, 1969 ..	16	..	6	..	3	25
16th April, 1969 ..	13	..	6	1	5	25
17th April, 1969 ..	11	2	8	2	2	25
21st April, 1969 ..	8	1	12	3	1	25
22nd April, 1969 ..	12	3	8	1	1	25
23rd April, 1969 ..	10	..	10	4	..	24
24th April, 1969 ..	11	1	11	1	1	25
25th April, 1969 ..	9	2	12	1	1	25
Total ..	212	19	182	34	39	486

Starred Questions postponed from various lists of Starred Questions were again included in the lists of Postponed Starred Quetions as detailed below :—

9th April, 1969 ..	3	..	2	1	..	6
16th April, 1969 ..	4	..	1	1	..	6
21st April, 1969 ..	4	..	1	..	..	5
23rd April, 1969 ..	2	..	1	1	..	4
Total ..	13	..	5	3	..	21

Notes.—(1)There was no Question Hour on the 11th April,1969 and all the 25 Starred Questions on the order paper were deemed to have been answerred under Rule 45 of the Rules.

*(2) There was no sitting of the Sabha on the 28th March, 1969 and the questions included in the list of questions for 28th March, 1969 were taken up on the 1st April, 1969 along with the list of questions for 1st April, 1969.

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6. WALK-OUT (S)

Serial No.	Date	Member(s) walking out	Occasion
1	18th March, 1969 ..	All the Members of the Congress Party	As a mark of protest against inadequate time given to the Opposition during discussion on Governor's Address
2	26th March, 1969 ..	All the Members of the Opposition	As a mark of protest against the Ruling of the Speaker on a Question of Privilege against the Chief Minister regarding categorical denial of the use of third degree methods against two food grain dealers of Jagraon
3	1st April, 1969 ..	Ditto	On the refusal of the Chief Minister to accede to the demand for instituting a Judicial enquiry into the incident in the Ferozepore Jail
4	7th April, 1969 ..	Ch. Tulsi Ram a Member of the Opposition	As a protest against not being given time to speak on the Budget
5	8th April, 1969 ..	S. Kirpal Singh Makhewala a Member of the Opposition	As a protest against his not having been given time to speak on Demands for Grants
6	11th April, 1969 ..	All the Members of the Opposition (Congress) C.P.I., C.P.I. (M), S.S.P., and P. S. P.	As a protest against the refusal of the Government to order judicial enquiry into the police firing in the Central Jail, Ferozepore
7	15th April, 1969 ...	S. Kirpal Singh and Shri Gurdial Saini	As a protest for not having been given time to speak on Demands for Grants
8	22nd April, 1969 ..	S. Beant Singh an independent Member	As a protest against not having been given time to speak on The Punjab Pay Commission Report, 1967-68
9	24th April, 1969 ..	All the Members of the Opposition (Congress)	As a protest against the ruling of the Speaker on an Adjournment Motion regarding the alleged deterioration of Law and Order situation in Amritsar

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DIVISIONS

Serial No.	Date	Recorded / Not recorded	Occasion	Result
1	9th April, 1969	Recorded	Motion for the suspension of Rule 104 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business to effect suspension of a Member from the service of the House	The Motion was declared carried
2	24th April, 1969	Do	Consideration of official Resolution under Article 169 of the Constitution of India, regarding the abolition of the Punjab Vidhan Parishad	The Resolution was declared carried
3	25th April, 1969 (Morning sitting)	Not recorded	Consideration of motion regarding the appointment of an *Ad-hoc* Committee to enquire into the matter relating to the entry of Police in the House on 18th March, 1968	The motion was declared carried
4	25th April, 1969 (Evening sitting)	Do	Consideration of motion under Rule 16 for the adjournment of the House *sine-die*	Ditto

9. NAMING OF MEMBER(S)

Serial No.	Date	Name of the Member	Reason
1	26th March, 1969	Capt. Rattan Singh ..	For obstructing the Business of the House
2	9th April, 1969	S. Lachhman Singh Gill ...	Ditto

UNPARLIAMENTARY/UNDESIRABLE EXPRESSIONS

Expression		Date
ਝੂਠ	(When used with reference to a Minister)	1st April, 1969
ਵਜ਼ੂਲ	(When used with reference to a Member and a Minister)	Ditto
ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਸ਼ਰਮ ਆਉਣੀ ਚਾਹੀਦੀ ਹੈ।	(When used with reference to a Party)..	2nd April, 1969

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UNPARLIAMENTARY EXPRESSIONS—Concld.

Expression		Date
ਬਲੈਕਮੇਲ ਕਰਦੇ ਹਨ ।	(When used with reference to the Chair)	7th April, 1969
ਛਲਾਵਾ	(When used with reference to an hon. Member)	9th April, 1969
ਚਮਚਾ, ਕੜਛੀਆਂ, ਬੇਈਮਾਨ	Ditto	Ditto
ਅਕਲ ਤੋਂ ਕੰਮ ਲੈਣਾ ਚਾਹੀਦਾ ਹੈ ।	(When used with reference to an hon. Member)	10th April, 1969
ਲਗਵ ਅੱਰ ਝੂਠ	(When used with reference to a Member)	16th April, 1969
ਇਹ ਸਰਦਾਰ ਗੁਰਨਾਮ ਸਿੰਘ ਨਵੇਂ ਪਠੇ ਨੂੰ ਸਿਖਾਉਂਦਾ ਹੈ	(When used with reference to Chief Minister and another Minister)	22nd April, 1969
ਤੁਸੀਂ ਵੀ ਕੋਰੇ ਹੋ ਮੇਰੇ ਵਾਂਗ	(When used with reference to the Chair)	Ditto
ਮੈਂ ਸਪੀਕਰ ਨੂੰ ਤੂੰ ਕਹਿ ਕੇ ਬੁਲਾਵਾਂਗਾ ।	Ditto	Ditto
ਜੋ ਦਾੜ੍ਹੀ ਵਾਲਾ ਹੁੰਦਾ ਹੈ ਉਸ ਨੂੰ ਸ਼ਰਮ ਹੁੰਦੀ ਹੈ, ਪਰ ਦਾੜ੍ਹੀ ਹੋਵੇਗੀ ਤਾਂ ਹੀ ਸ਼ਰਮ ਹੋਵੇਗੀ।	(When used with reference to a Member)	Ditto
ਮਾਮੇ ਦਾ ਧਿਆਨ ਰਖਣਾ ।	Ditto	Ditto
ਫਰਿਵੋਲਸ	(When used with reference to the Speaker)	24th April, 1969
ਤੂੰ ਤਾਂ ਝੂਠੇ ਕੰਮਾਂ ਦਾ ਠੇਕਾ ਚੁੱਕਿਆ ਹੋਇਆ ਹੈ ।	(When used with reference to a Member)	25th April, 1969

Observations made by the Speaker

Observation made by the Speaker on the 18th March, 1969, regarding supremacy of the House over the decisions of the Supreme Court.

I beg to differ with the hon. Member. I still hold the House supreme.

POINTS OF ORDER AND DECISIONS THEREON

Debate dated 13th March, 1969

(1) Whether a question of Privilege can be raised before the hon. Members have taken the oath ?

It was held that no business could be transacted before the hon. Members had made and subscribed the oath/affirmation.

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(On the 13th March, 1969 when the Acting Speaker (Sardar Darbara Singh) called upon the Members to take the oath, Sardar Umrao Singh sought to raise a question of Privilege and the Chair gave the above ruling.)

Debate dated 17th March, 1969

(2) Whether the judgement of the Supreme Court/High Court could be discussed in the House ?

The Speaker ruled that it was not proper to critically comment on the the judgement of the Supreme Court in the House. Fair comments could, however, be made.

(While moving the Motion of Thanks to the Governor's Address on the 17th March, 1969 Sardar Balwant Singh made some observations regarding the judgement of the Supreme Court on the validity of the Budget for the year 1968-69. Chaudhri Balbir Singh raised the above point of Order and the Chair gave the above ruling)

(3) When the Supreme Court had decided that the Budget for the year 1968-69 was validly passed, whether it was proper that the judgement of the Supreme Court be discussed in the House again.

The Speaker ruled that so far as the validity of the Budget was concerned no one could challenge it. But the propriety of some of the incidents which took place on that day in the House could be discussed.

(On the 17th March, 1969 Sardar Santokh Singh raised the above point of Order in the House).

Debate, dated the 25th March, 1969

(4) Whether a Privilege Motion could be moved on the day when the Budget was to be presented in the House ?

It was held that it could not be done as there was no such convention of the House.

(On the 25th March, 1969 after the question hour, when the Finance Minister was about to start delivering his Budget Speech, a Member wanted to move his Privilege Motion, at which the hon. Speaker gave the above ruling.)

Debate, dated the 26th March, 1969

(5) Whether the Speaker's Ruling could be the subject-matter of discussion.

It was held that it could not be.

(On 26th March, 1969 Captain Rattan Singh wanted to say something on the Speaker's Ruling disallowing a Privilege Motion. At this the Speaker gave the above ruling)

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(6) Whether the Chair could order deletion of that portion of the proceedings wherein something had been said without the consent of the Chair?

It was held that a speech made without the permission of the Chair could be deleted from the record of the proceedings.

(On 26th March, 1969, a Member said something in the House, for which the Hon. Speaker had not given him permission. He, therefore, ordered its expunction from the record at which the above point of Order was raised, and the above ruling given.)

Debate, dated 2nd April, 1969

(8) Whether the charges mentioned in the Memorandum submitted to the President of India against an ex-Chief Minister could be referred to and discussed in the House and whether a copy of that Memorandum could be laid on the Table of the House ?

The hon. Speaker observed that if in connection with the reply to the starred question the Chief Minister wishes to lay a copy of the Memorandum on the Table of the House he may do so, but no discussion would be allowed on the Memorandum.

(On the 2nd April, 1969 when supplementary questions were being put on Question No. *163 regarding Memorandum of Charges against an Ex-Chief Minister, the Chief Minister said that it would be better if questions regarding the charges mentioned in the Memorandum were not put as the case had become *sub judice*. Then Sardar Balwant Singh and Comrade Satya Pal Dang rose on points of order and said that there would be no harm if the list of charges mentioned in the Memorandum was laid on the Table of the House. Thereupon, the Speaker observed that if the Chief Minister liked he could lay a copy of the Memorandum on the Table of the House but added that no discussion would be allowed on it .)

(9) Whether a Member could rise on a point of information at any time?

It was ruled that any Member desiring to rise on a point of information could do so provided the Member in possession of the House gives way and not otherwise.

(On the 2nd April, 1969 Sardar Karam Singh was making a speech during the general discussion of the Budget. He was interrupted by Shri Gurdial Saini who rose on a point of information. The Finance Minister raised the above point of Order at which this ruling was given.)

Debate, dated 15th April, 1969

(10) Whether a decision of the House could be questioned by a Member?

It was held that since the House was supreme its decisions could not be challenged.

(On the 15th April, 1969 according to the recommendations of the Business Advisory Committee, approved by the House, the Speaker announced that only demands No. 22,42, and 24 relating to Industries, Capital Outlay

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on Industrial Development and Labour and Employment would be discussed. Thereupon an hon. Member questioned that decision of the House at which the above ruling was given by the Speaker.)

Debate dated 17th April, 1969

(12) Whether the matters which do not come under the jurisdiction of the State Government could be discussed in the House.

The Speaker ruled that general discussion could be raised on the point. It was further ruled that the House could make recommendations to the Central Government.

(On the 17th April, 1969, Sardar Umrao Singh raised a point of order that since the matter concerning "Enlargement of Food Zone" related to the Central Government and did not come under the jurisdiction of the State Government, it could not be discussed in the House. At this the Speaker ruled as above.)

Debate dated 22nd April, 1969

(13) Whether a Bill passed by the State Legislature and presented to the Governor for his assent and in the event of his not declaring either that he assents to the Bill or that he withholds the assent therefrom or that he reserves the Bill for the consideration of the President, can that Bill be passed by the State Legislature again ?

The Speaker observed that the Bill in regard to which the point of order had been raised by the hon. Member, Chaudhri Balbir Singh, was not before the House. Therefore, under Rule 112, Sub-rule (2) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly a point of order could not be raised at that stage. However, in this connection he would like to say :

> The Speaker does not give ruling on legal issues. His function is to decide points of order which relate to interpretation of Rules of Procedure and Atricles of the Constitution relating to the Procedure. In all other cases, however, he leaves the matter to be decided by the House.

So far as this House was concerned, it had already passed the Bill.

(During the discussion on the Punjab Legislative Assembly (Allowances of Members) Amendment Bill, 1969, Chaudhri Balbir Singh raised this point of order on the 21st April, 1969, and again referred to the matter on a point of order on the 22nd April, 1969 at which the Speaker ruled as above.)

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APPENDIX

(Fifth Punjab Vidhan Sabha—I Session)

March-April Session, 1969

BULLETIN No. 1

Thursday the 13th March, 1969

(From 2.00 p.m. to 4.02 p.m.)

I. Announcement

Secretary read out the Orders of the Governor—

(1) Appointing Sardar Darbara Singh, M.L.A., to be the person before whom every Member of the Vidhan Sabha shall before taking his seat make and subscribe Oath/Affirmation.

(ii) Appointing Sardar Darbara Singh, M.L.A., to perform the duties of the office of the Speaker till a Speaker is chosen.

II. Privilege Motion

As the swearing in of members started, a Privilege Motion was sought to be raised by a Member of the Opposition regarding the arrest of a Member No notice was taken of this and the Members proceeded to make and subscribe Oath/Affirmation.

III. Oath or Affirmation by the Members

One hundred and one Members of the Sabha present in the House were, one by one, sworn in.

The Sabha then adjourned till 10.00 a.m. on Friday the 14th March, 1969.

BULLETIN No. 2

Friday, the 14th March, 1969

(From 10.00 a.m. to 10.45 a.m.)

I. Oath or Affirmation by Members

Two Members, present in the House, were sworn in.

II. Election of Speaker

The Chief Minister moved—

That Sardar Darbara Singh, a Member of the Punab Vidhan Sabha, who is present in the House do take the Chair as Speaker of the Vidhan Sabha.

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The Motion was seconded by the Leader of the Opposition. As no other name was proposed, Sardar Darbara Singh was declared elected as Speaker.

III. Congratulatory Speeches

The Chief Minister, the Leader of the Opposition and seven other Members made congratulatory speeches. The Speaker made a few observations.

The Sabha then adjourned till 2.00 p.m. on Monday, the 17th March, 1969.

BULLETIN NO. 3

Monday, the 17th March, 1969

(From 2.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred.—

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	No. of Supplementaries
10	10	..	..	33

(b) Unstarred.—11

II. Questions of Privilege

(1) The Question of Privilege raised by Sardar Umrao Singh, regarding the arrest of Sardar Lachhman Singh Gill was ruled out of order by the Speaker.

(2) and (3) The Questions of privilege raised by Com. Satya Pal Dang and Sardar Sarup Singh, respectively, regarding beating up of Com. Kulwant Singh M.L.A. were kept pending.

III. Adjournment Motion

(1) Adjournment Motion (1) given notice of by Com. Satya Pal Dang and others regarding the refusal of the Governor of the Bengal to read the entire address prepared by the Council of Ministers and the fact of his having skipped over two paras, was disallowed by the Hon. Speaker on the ground that it concerned another State and the matter sought to be discussed was not within the jurisdiction of the Punjab State Legislature.

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(2) Adjournment of Motion (2) given notice by Com. Babu Singh Master regarding the arrest of many peasants, including a Member of this House, in connection with Satyagraha started by the Cane-growers of Jullundur District since 16th March, 1969, was disallowed.

IV. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 1) given by Captain Rattan Singh regarding the difficulty being faced by the Sugar Cane growing farmers due to the low sugar cane prices being offered by the Sugar Mills; was admitted.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 2) given by Captain Rattan Singh, regarding abduction of a teenaged girl named Banto from Village Chadiala, tehsil Kharar district Rupar, was admitted.

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 3) given by Sardar Umrao Singh regarding the merit list of the candidates for the posts of Clerks whose applications have been pending with the Subordinate Services Selection Board for about a year and who had taken their test on 8th December, 1968; was admitted.

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 5) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang, regarding the strike of the Veterinarians in the State since 21st January, 1969; was admitted.

(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 6) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and others regarding the hunger strike resorted to by the teacher representatives of private school teachers in the State; was admitted.

(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 7) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and others regarding the high-handedness on the part of some of the police officials and complete lawlessness that has prevailed in Ferozepur Cantt. following an altercation on 4th March, 1969 between a shopkeeper and his servant on the one hand and some persons indulging in 'gulal' throwing on the occasion of Holi on the other; was admitted.

(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 8) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and Com. Babu Singh, regarding the serious situation created due to the mass scale retrenchment, reversions of family planning staff; was admitted.

(8) Call Attention Notice (No. 9) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and Com. Babu Singh, regarding the acts of attacks on the supervisory staff of Matric/Higher Secondary Examination at Patiala and Amritsar; was admitted.

(9) Call Attention Notice (No. 10) given by Com. Babu Singh and Com. Satya Pal Dang, regarding the mass scale transfers of teachers in District Ferozepur at the time of examinations; was admitted.

(10) Call Attention Notice (No. 15) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and Com. Dana Ram, regarding the non-payment of wages to the workers of Panipat Woollen Mills, Kharar for the last 4 months; was admitted.

(11) Call Attention Notice (No. 16) given by Sardar Tara Singh Lyallpuri, regarding the dismissal of workers of the Punjab Roadways and fabrication of false cases against them during the regime of Gill Ministry; was admitted.

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(12) Call Attention Notice (No. 18) given by Sardar Gurbanta Singh and Sardar Umrao Singh, regarding the murder of four persons of one family, the dead bodies of whom were found near the Railway Station of Thabalke district Jullundur; was kept pending.

(13) Call Attention Notice (No. 19) given by Shri Ram Singh, regarding the non distribution of the copies of Governor's Address in Hindi and English; was admitted.

The Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect of these admitted notices.

V. Announcements

By the Speaker—

(1) Panel of Chairmen.

Under Rule 13 (1)

1. Sardar Jasdev Singh.
2. Sardar Shashpal Singh.
3. Sardar Harcharan Singh Brar.
4. Sardar Basant Singh.

(2) Business Advisory Committee.

Under Rule 33 (1)

1. The Speaker .. *Ex-Officio* Chairman.
2. Sardar Gurmit Singh.
3. Sardar Balwant Singh.
4. Captain Rattan Singh.
5. Comrade Satya Pal Dang.

Special Invitees

Shri Krishan Lal, Finance Minister.

Sardar Harcharan Singh Brar.

VI. Governor's Address

The Speaker, in pursuance of Rule 18 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly, reported that the Governor had addressed Members of both the Houses of the State Legislature assembled together on the 14th March, 1969 under Article 176 (1) of the Constitution.

A copy of the Address was laid on the Table.

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VII. Arrest of A Member

As required under Rule 289 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly, the Speaker reported that Com. Kulwant Singh, M.L.A. had been arrested on 16th March, 1969.

VIII. Obituary References

The Chief Minister made references to the deaths of the late—

(1) Shri B. Vaikunta Baliga, Speaker of Mysore Legislative Assembly.

(2) Dr. Anup Singh, M.P.

(3) Baba Sohan Singh Bhakna, a great revolutionary.

(4) Mr. C.N. Annadurai, Ex. Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu.

(5) Dr. Gokul Chand Narang, Ex. M.L.A.

(6) Jathedar Mohan Singh Nagoke, Ex. M.L.A.

(7) Shri Darbari Lal Sharma, Chairman of the U.P. Legislative Council.

(8) Dr. Sampuran Nand, Ex-Governor, Rajasthan.

(9) Sir Homi Modi, Ex-Governor, U.P.

The Leader of the Opposition, Com. Satya Pal Dang, Ch. Balbir Singh and Sardar Kirpal Singh also made some observations.

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed in the the House.

The House stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased.

IX. Discussion on Governor's Address

Sardar Balwant Singh while moving the motion,

That an address be presented to the Governor in the following terms:—

"That the Members of the Vidhan Sabha assembled in this Session are deeply grateful to the Governor for the Address which he has been pleased to deliver to Members of both the Houses of the State Legislature assembled together on the 14th March, 1969",

spoke for one hour and eight minutes.

Shri Man Mohan Kalia, while seconding the motion, spoke for 32 minutes.

Captain Rattan Singh, while initiating the discussion, had spoken for 35 minutes and was still on his legs when the House adjourned for the day.

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X. Points of Order

(i) On the Point of Order raised by Captain Rattan Singh on the absence of all the Ministers from the House when the Governor's Address was being discussed, the Speaker observed that he will warn the Government that it should not happen in future.

The Chief Minister expressed his regrets for the lapse.

(ii) On the Point of Order regarding critical references on the Judgement of the Supreme Court, the Speaker observed that the validity of the Judgement could not be challenged but the members could express their views on the circumstances leading to the passing of the Budget Estimates in 1968.

Sardar Shashpal Singh, a member of the Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 5.42 p.m. to 6.30 P.M.

The Sabha then adjourned till 2.00 p.m. on Tuesday, the 18th March, 1968.

BULLETIN No. 4

Tuesday, the 18th March, 1969

(From 2.00 p.m. to 4.45 p.m.)

I. Questions

A. (a) Starred—

Total No of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	No of Supplementaries
6	6	..	..	33

(b) Unstarred—Nil

II. Questions of Privilege

(i) Regarding Questions of Privilege on the beating up and handcuffing of Com. Kulwant Singh on which the ruling had been deferred on 17th March, 1969, the hon. Speaker observed that he had decided to refer the matter to the Committee of Privilege as and when constituted.

(ii) On the Question of Privilege sought to be raised by Com. Satya Pal Dang regarding the Report of the Pay Commission being laid before Punjab Vidhan Parishad on the 17th March, 1969 before it had come before the Vidhan Sabha, the Speaker observed that the established convention should be followed and the prestige and importance of the Vidhan Sabha should not be overlooked.

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III. Call Attention Notices

1. Call Attention Notice (No. 20) given by Com. Dana Ram and others regarding the brutal murder of entire family of four members of Village Thabalka near Nakodar; was admitted.

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 21) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and others regarding the 'dharna' started by the cane-producing peasants of Jullundur District since 16th March, 1969; was admitted.

3. Call Attention Notice (No. 23) given by Sardar Trilochan Singh Riyasti, regarding the taking into possession of the licensed fire-arms of Sant Darbari Das of Lopon by the Police; was admitted.

4. Call Attention Notice (No. 24) given by Chaudhri Balbir Singh regarding the damage to the standing crops due to the repeated break-down and suspension of electric supply for two days in a week ; was admitted.

5. Call Attention Notice (No. 26) given by Giani Kundan Singh Patang and others regarding the disparity between the Pay Scales of the Punjab Government and the Haryana Government employees; was admitted.

6. Call Attention Notice (No. 27) given by Raja Narinder Singh regarding the cutting of a number of trees standing on a Katcha road leading from the crossing of Hoshiarpur-Bajwara road to Chhowni Kalan maintained by the Zila Parishad, Hoshiarpur; was admitted.

7. Call Attention Notice (No. 28) given by Raja Narinder Singh regarding amendment to the Rules regarding appointment of Secretaries of Zila Parishads in the State the employees of these institutions have been subjected to discrimination; was admitted.

8. Call Attention Notice (No. 29) given by Raja Narinder Singh no action have been taken by the Government to revise the pay scale of the emtpoyees of the Zila Parishads and Panchayat Samitis to bring them at par with Glovernment servants; was admitted.

9. Call Attention Notice (No. 30) given by Raja Narinder Singh, regarding discrimination in the Zila Parishad, Hoshiarpur in the matter of granting dearness allowance to its employees at enhanced rates; was admitted

10. Call Attention Notice (No. 31) given by Raja Narinder Singh, rearding the piece-meal sanctions being given by the Government for maining the *status quo* in regard to the staff and buildings, etc., provided by ahe Zila Parishads to the former District Medical Officers of Health; was tadmitted.

11. Call Attention Notice (No. 33) given by Shri Man Mohan Kalia regarding the strike of Veterinary College Students since 21st January, 1969; was admitted.

12. Call Attention Notice (No. 34) given by Sardar Umrao Singh, regarding the divergent statements made by two Ministers of Punjab Government, Shri Krishan Lal and Sardar Atma Singh regarding implementation of the Sachar Formula; was admitted.

The Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect of these admitted notices.

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IV. Announcement by the Secretary

(i) That the following Bills which were passed by the Punjab State Legislature during its February-March, March and May, 1968, Sessions have since been assented to by the President of India/Governor of Punjab:—

1. The Punjab Security of Land Tenures (Amendment) Bill, 1967.
2. The Pepsu Tenancy and Agricultural Lands (Amendment) Bill, 1967.
3. The Punjab Appropriation Bill, 1968.
4. The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1968.
5. The Punjab Cattle Fairs (Regulation) Amendment Bill, 1968.
6. The Punjab Ice Price Control Bill, 1968.
7. The Northern India Canal and Drainage (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1967.
8. The Punjab Courts (Amendment) Bill, 1967.
9. The Punjab Gram Panchayat (Amendment) Bill, 1967.
10. The Punjab Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads (Amendment) Bill, 1967.

(ii) Regarding Reports of the Committees—

(1) "I beg to lay on the Table of the House the 12th Report of Committee on Government Assurances for the year 1967-68. The Report was presented to the Hon. Speaker of the last Vidhan Sabha and was printed, published and circulated under his direction, dated the 2nd April, 1968, under Rule 120 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly".

(2) "I beg to lay on the Table of the House the Report of the Estimates Committee on the Budget Estimates for the year 1967-68. The Report was presented to the Hon. Speaker of the last Vidhan Sabha and was printed, published and circulated under his direction dated the 2nd April, 1968 under Rule 120 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly".

V. Papers Laid on the Table

(i) Minister for Industries .. laid on the Table the First Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Financial Corporation for the period ending 31st March, 1968, as required under section 38(3) of the State Financial Corporations Act 1951.

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(ii) Minister for Industries .. laid on the Table the Annual Report on the working of the Punjab State Small Industries Corporation Limited for the year 1966-67, as required under Section 619-A (3) (b) of the Companies Act, 1956.

(iii) Minister for Industries .. laid on the Table the Punjab Pay Commission Report, 1967-68.

VI. Financial Business

Minister for Industries .. presented the Supplementary Estimates (Second Instalment) for the year 1968-69.

VII. Resumption of Discussion on the Governor's Address

Captain Rattan Singh, who had spoken for 35 minutes and was still in possession of the House when it adjourned on the 17th March, 1969, resuming his speech spoke for 13 minutes.

Comrade Satya Pal Dang, spoke for 40 minutes.

Walk-out

As a mark of protest against inadequate time given to the Opposition during discussion on Governor's Address, the members of the Congress Party staged a walk-out.

One member from the Treasury Benches spoke for 20 minutes followed by Chaudhri Balbir Singh, a member of the S.S.P. who spoke for 30 minutes.

Sardar Shash Pal Singh, a member of the Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 4.05 p.m. to 4.45 p.m.

The House then adjourned till 1.00 p.m. on Wednesday, the 19th March, 1969.

BULLETIN No. 5

Wednesday, the 19th March, 1969

(From 1.00 p.m. to 7.23 p.m.

1. Questions

(a) Starred—

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Postponed	Not Put	No. of Supplementaries
9	9	..	..	65

(b) Unstarred—Nil.

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II. Questions of Privilege

Question Privilege (No. 5) sought to be raised by Sardar Umrao Singh regarding certain observations made by the Governor of Punjab in his Address in connection with the passing of the Budget in 1968, was ruled out of order.

Sardar Umrao Singh staged a walk-out as a protest against the ruling of the Chair.

III. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 38) given by Shri Ram Singh regarding the ill-treatment of Harijans of Pathankot by rowdy elements there, was admitted.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 39) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang, regarding the failure of the management of the Hindustan Embroidery Mills Private Ltd., Chherata in paying wages in time to its workers, was admitted.

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 40) given by S. Umrao Singh was not taken up as the hon. member was not present in the House.

(4) Call Attention Notice No. 42 given by Sardar Santokh Singh regarding the situation caused due to the postponement of the Elections of Batala Sugar Mills, Batala ; was admitted.

The Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect of these admitted notices.

IV. Papers laid on the Table

(i) *Minister for Industries* laid on the Table the Second Annual Report and Accounts for the year 1964-65 of the Punjab Export Corporation Ltd., as required under Section 619(3) of the Companies Act, 1956.

(ii) *Minister for Irrigation* laid on the Table the Audit Report on the Accounts of the Punjab Financial Corporation for the year 1964-65, as required under Section 37(7) of the State Financial Corporation Act, 1951.

(iii) *Minister for Irrigation* laid on the Table the Annual Financial Statement (Budget Estimates) for the year 1968-69, of the Punjab State Electricity Board, as required under Section 61(3) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.

(iv) *Minister for Irrigation* laid on the Table the Annual Statement of Accounts for the year 1966-67 and Audit Report of the Punjab State Electricity Board, as required under Section 69(5) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.

(v) *Minister for Irrigation*. laid on the Table the Annual Administration Report for the year 1966-67 of the Punjab State Electricity Board, as required under Section 75(1A) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.

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V. Resumption of Discussion on Governor's Address

The Leader of the Opposition and four other members of the Congress Party taking part in the discussion spoke for *121* minutes.

Five members from the Treasury Benches, *one* from the Swatantra Party, *one* from the P.S.P. and *one* from the C.P.I. (Marxist) spoke for *56*, *14*, *19* and *15* minutes, respectively.

The Chief Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 69 minutes.

All the amendments to the motion of Thanks were either lost or withdrawn.

The Motion

"That an Address be presented to the Governor in the following terms:—

'That the members of the Vidhan Sabha assembled in this Session are deeply grateful to the Governor for the Address which he has been pleased to deliver to both the Houses of the State Legislature assembled together on the 14th March, 1969".

was put to the vote of the House and carried.

VI. Announcement by the Speaker

The Speaker, fixed the Thursday, the 20th March, 1969, as the date for the Election of the Deputy Speaker.

Timings of the Sittings

The House decided to meet at 11.00 a.m. on Monday, the 24th March, 1969. It was also decided that the House may sit for longer hour to make up for the time.

Sardar Shash Pal Singh, a member of the Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 3.45 p.m. to 6.02 p.m.

The House then adjourned till 2.00 p.m. on Thursday, the 20th March, 1969.

BULLETIN No. 6

Thursday, the 20th March, 1969.
(From 2.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) *Starred*

Total number of Questions on the order paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	Number of Supplementaries
4	4	..	..	30

(b) *Unstarred.*—Nil.

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II. Questions of Privilege

(1) The Question of Privilege sought to be raised by Sardar Balwant Singh (No. 6) that the Governor by reading certain passages of his Address to the Legislature had committed a breach of privilege of the House ; was disallowed by the Speaker.

(2) Regarding the two Questions of privilege sought to be raised by Sardar Balwant Singh (No. 7) and Com. Satya Pal Dang (No. 8) on the remarks alleged to have been made by the Chairman of the Punjab Vidhan Parishad on the move for the abolition of the Vidhan Parishad, the Speaker observed that he would seek clarification from the Chairman regarding the authenticity of the report appearing in the Press.

III. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 44) given by Shri Roop Lal Sathi regarding one day's token 'Dharna' by the Punjab Government Mechanical Workers' Union, P.W.D. (.B & R.) in front of the Assembly Hall ; was admitted.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 47) given by Sardar Santokh Singh regarding the failure of the Government in granting loans to the farmers for constructing 'pucca' water Channels to water their fields ; was admitted.

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 48) given by Chaudhri Balbir Singh regarding the Government tractors having been found working for private purposes during a raid on the house of Deputy Director of Industries in Villages Zahoora, District Hoshiarpur, was admitted.

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 49) given by Shri Gurdial Saini regarding the discriminatory treatment to which the teachers appointed before the issue of the circular on 16th October, 1968 for the combination of subjects for recognised B.A., B.Ed. school teachers were subjected; was admitted.

(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 50) given by Chaudhri Balbir Singh regarding the suspension of work on the construction of bunds for Hoshiarpur District for which a provision of Rs. five lakh had been made in the Budget for 1968-69 ; was admitted.

(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 51) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang regarding the forcible eviction of Shri Lakha Singh, a rickshaw driver from his house in Guru Nanak Wada, Amritsar by the landlords; was admitted.

(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 52) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang regarding the dis-satisfaction amongst Government employees on the failure of the Government in accepting certain proposals on the scheme of joint. Consultative and Arbitration machinery; was admitted.

(8) Call Attention Notice (No. 54) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang regarding the terror caused by the Biswadars who opened fire on tenants on the 16th March, 1969, or thereabout in village Chuga Khurd near Bhatinda; was admitted.

The Speaker asked the Minister concerned to make statements on the above Notices.

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IV. Election of the Deputy Speaker

The Chief Minister moved that—

> "Brigadier Bikramjit Singh, a member of the Vidhan Sabha, who is present in the House, be elected as the Deputy Speaker".

Shri Balram Dass Tandon, Minister for Industries, seconded the motion. Since there was no other proposal the motion was declared carried.

The Leader of the Opposition, Sardar Kirpal Singh (P.S.P.), Com. Satya Pal Dang (C.P.I.), Ch. Balbir Singh, Com. Hardit Singh Bhathal (C.P.M.), Sardar Beant Singh (Independent), Sardar Lachhman Singh Gill (Janta Party) and Sardar Basant Singh (Swatantra) made congratulatory speeches.

Hon. Speaker made a few observations congratulating the Deputy Speaker on his unanimous election.

The Deputy Speaker made a few observations in reply.

V. Papers laid on the Table

The Revenue Minister laid on the Table :—

(i) Ordinance No. 1 of 1969.

(ii) The Punjab Requisitioning and Acquisition of Immovable Property (First Amendment) Rules, 1968, as required under Section 22(3) of the Punjab Requisitioning and Acquisition of Immovable Property Act, 1953.

VI. Statement laid on the Table

The Chief Minister laid on the Table a statement on the Call Attention Notice (Serial No. 9) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang.

VII. Point of Order

A point of order was raised by a member of the Opposition whether a Visitor could carry a long kirpan in the Visitors' Gallery, the Speaker observed that the Visitors, Galleries are not considered part of the House as such.

VIII. Resolutions

Com. Babu Singh Master, by leave of the House, withdrew his Resolution (Serial No. 1) regarding the abolition of the Council.

Com. Babu Singh Master, authorised to move the resolution given notice of by Com. Kulwant Singh, while moving the Resolution that—

> "This House recommends to the Government to take steps to see that the flat rate charged for electricity consumed by tube-wells in the State is abolished with immediate effect".

spoke for 21 minutes.

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Seven members from the Treasury Benches, six members from the Opposition, one member of C.P.I., one member of C.P.M., one Independent and one member of S.S.P. took part in the discussion speaking for 1 hour and 22 minutes, one hour and 3 minutes, 20 minutes, 10 minutes, 10 minutes and 4 minutes, respectively.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 3.40 p.m., to 4.10 p.m. Sardar Shash Pal Singh, a member of the Panel of Chairmen from 4.10 p.m. to 5.07 P.M., and the Deputy Speaker from 5.07 P.M. to 6.30 p.m.

The House then adjourned till 2.00 p.m. on Friday, the 21st March, 1969.

BULLETIN No. 7

Friday, the 21st March, 1969 (From 2.00 p.m. to 5.27 p.m.)

I. CALL ATTENTION NOTICES

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 56) given by Com. Darshan Singh Jhabhal regarding the black marketing being indulged in by the Brick-Kiln-owners in the sale of burnt bricks; was admitted.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 57) given by Com. Darshan Singh Jhabhal regarding the adverse effect on the Rabi Crop by drought due to long closure of U.B.D. Canal, its branches and Rajbahas; was admitted.

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 60) given by Shri Gurdial Saini was not taken up as the hon. member was not present in the House.

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 61) given by Shri Ram Singh regarding the serious difficulties being faced by the Public and the lawyers of Pathankot due to long distance from each other at which the Courts of Sub Judge and Tehsildars are situated at Pathankot ; was admitted.

(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 62) given by Com. Darshan Singh Jhabhal regarding the hunger strike resorted to by the workers of the Punjab Roadways outside the Secretariat for the redressal of the high-handedness meted out to them, withdrawal of their cases and reinstatement on their posts; was admitted.

(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 63) given by Com. Darshan Singh Jhabhal regarding the difficulties being faced by the Cultivators and farm labourers residing near the Pakistan Border who are required to obtain 'Parchis' from border Police post before going to work in their fields; was admitted.

(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 64) given by Sardar Dalip Singh regarding the stoppage of construction work on the six Kilometer long road from Bande to Nihal Singh Wala; was admitted.

(8) Call Attention Notice (No. 65) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and Com. Babu Singh Master regarding the non satisfactory working of Government Chemist Shops (Medicine Depots) for employees insured under the Employees State Insurance Scheme; was admitted.

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(9) Call Attention Notice (No. 66) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang regarding the widespread unrest amongst the Industrial workers of Amritsar resulting from the efforts of the Government to introduce Service System in Amritsar (under the E.S.I. Scheme) at the cost of the Panel system without consulting the workers; was admitted.

(10) Call Attention Notice (No. 70) given by Sardar Umrao Singh regarding the non-implementation of the decision of the Government to accept recommendation of Kothari Commission to award Lecturers' grade to all MAs. so far; was admitted.

(11) Call Attention Notice (No. 71) given by Sardar Umrao Singh regarding the indefinite strike resorted to by the Sub-Inspectors of the Co-operative Department, which is adversely affecting the working of the Co-operative Societies in the State; was admitted.

(12) Call Attention Notice (No. 72) given by Shri Ram Singh regarding the imposition of heavy purchase tax of 3 per cent on Paddy and rice and a separate purchase tax on rice in addition to sales tax at the rate of Rs. 1.50 per kilogram on Paddy and rice already charged with the result that every citizen of the State has to pay 9 paise per kilo more for rice ; was admitted.

The Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect of these admitted Notices.

II. SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES (SECOND INSTALMENT), 1968-69

1. Discussion on Estimates of Expenditure charged on the Revenue of the State

The Speaker asked the Members that those who wished to raise a discussion on the charged items, might do so.

No Member rose to speak.

2. Demands for Supplementary Grants.

The demands were deemed to have been read and moved together. As per past practice, a general discussion on all the Supplementary Demands together was permitted and the Members participating in the discussion were asked to mention the particular demand they were going to discuss. It was also decided to apply the Guillotine at 5.30 p.m. and all the Demands put to the vote of the House together.

Three Members from the Treasury Benches, four from the Opposition Benches and one each belonging to the C.P.I. S.S.P. and P.S.P. participated in the discussion speaking for 50 minutes, 48 minutes, 25 minutes, 5 minutes and 15 minutes, respectively.

The Finance Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 27 minutes.

All the Demands Nos. 1—24 were put together and carried.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 3.05 p.m. to 5.25 p.m.

The House then adjourned till 11.00 a.m. on Monday the 24th March, 1969.

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BULLETIN NO. 8

Monday, the 24th March, 1969

(From 11.00 a.m. to 1.06 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) *Starred.*—

Total number of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	Number of Supplementaries
12	10	1	1	59

(b) *Unstarred.*—8.

II. Call Attention Notices.

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 73) given by Com. Darshan Singh Jhabal and Com. Hardit Singh Bhathal regarding the unnecessary interference in the day to day work of the village Panchayats by the Police and other concerned Departments; was admitted.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 76) given by Ch. Balbir Singh regarding contemplated 'Dharna' on the part of hundreds of Government employees in front of Vidhan Bhavan on March, 28th to press the State Government to start negotiations on the demands of the employees; was admitted.

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 77) given by Ch. Balbir Singh regarding the pollution of drinking water of Gokal Nagar Colony due to defective drainage of dirty water containing acid and alcohol from Pine Oil Factory at Hoshiarpur rendering it unfit for human consumption; was admitted.

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 78) given by Com. Dana Ram, Com. Babu Singh Master and Com. Satya Pal Dang regarding the non-payment of wages fixed for the brick-kiln workers on the part of brik-kiln-owners; was admitted.

The Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect of these admitted notices.

III. Papers laid on the Table

(i) **Industries Minister** laid on the Table the Audit Report on the Accounts of the Punjab Financial Corporation for the year ended 31st March, 1967, as required under Section 37(7) of the State Financial Corporation Act, 1951.

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(ii) **Industries Minister** laid on the Table the Statements showing the Public borrowings by the Punjab State Electricity Board and Guaranteed by the Punjab Government in force during the year 1967-68 as required under Section 66 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.

(iii) **Industries Minister** laid on the Table the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1966-67 and Audit Report, 1968.

(iv) **Industries Minister** laid on the Table the Finance Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year, 1966-67.

(v) **Finance Minister** laid on the Table the Punjab Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishad non-official Members (Payment of Allowances) First Amendment) Rule, 1968, as required under Section 115(4) of the Punjab Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads Act, 1961.

(vi) **Chief Minister** laid on the Table the Annual Financial statement (Budget Estimates) for the year 1969-70 of the Punjab State Electricity Board, as required under Section 61(3) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948."

IV. Statements laid on the Table

The Industries Minister laid on the table statements in respect of call Attention Notices Nos. 6, 21, 23, 29, 30 and 33.

V. Resolution for Election of Members on the Public Accounts Committee

(i) **Minister for Parliamentary Affairs** moved that the members of this House do proceed to elect in the manner required by sub-rule (2) of Rule 250 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly, nine members from among themselves to serve as members of the Committee on Public Accounts for the year 1969—70

It was put and carried.

(ii) **Resolution for Election of Members on the Estimates Committee.**

Minister for Parliamentary Affairs moved that the members of this House do proceed to elect in the manner required by sub-rule (2) of Rule 252 of the Rules of Procedure and conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly nine members from among themselves to serve as members of the Committee on Estimates for the year 1969-70.

It was put and carried.

The Speaker announced the programme for the election to the Financial Committees.

(iii) **Motion regarding nomination of three M.L.Cs. each on the Public Accounts Committee and Estimates Committee**

The Motion moved by the Minister for Parliamentary affairs.

"That this House recommends to the Punjab Vidhan Parishad that they do agree to nominate three Members from the Vidhan Parishad to associate with the Public Accounts Committee and three Members

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to associate with the Committee on Estimates of the Vidhan Sabha for the year 1969-70 and to communicate to this House the names of the members so nominated by the Vidhan Parishad."

It was put and carried.

VI. Legislative Business

THE PUNJAB APPROPRIATION BILL.

The Finance Minister introduced the Bill and moved that it be taken into consideration at once.

One Member from the S.S.P. and two Members from the Opposition took part in the discussion and spoke for 10 minutes and 15 minutes, respectively.

The Finance Minister by way of reply, spoke for 10 minutes.

The Guillotine was applied at 1.00 p.m.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

Clauses 2, 3 the schedule, clause 1, and the title were carried.

The motion moved by the Finance Minister that the Bill be passed was carried.

The House then adjourned till 10.30 a.m. on Tuesday, the 25th March, 1969.

BULLETIN NO. 9

Tuesday, the 25th March, 1969.

(From 10.30 a.m. to 12·15 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) *Starred.*—

Total number of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	Number of Supplementaries
12	11	1	..	58

(b) Unstarred.—Nil.

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II. Announcement

By the Speaker—

"As required under Rule 289 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly, I have to inform the House that Ccm. Kulwant Singh who was arrested cn 16th March, 1969, has been released on 24th March, 1969.

III. Presentation of Budget for the year 1969-70 and the Vote-on-Account for the months viz., April, May, June and July, 1969.

The Finance Minister presented the Budget for the year 1969-70 and the vote-on-account for four months viz., April, May, June, and July, 1969.

The House then adjourned till 8.00 a.m. on Wednesday, the 26th March, 1969.

BULLETIN No. 10

Friday, the 26th March, 1969

From 8.00 a.m. to 1.05 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) *Starred.*—

Total n mber of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	Number of Supplementaries
18	12	4	2	75

(b) *Unstarred* .—1

II. Questions of Privilege

(1) The Question of Privilege (No. 9) sought to be raised by Capt. Rattan Singh regarding the discrepancy in the statement of the Revenue Minister and the news item apearing in the Qaumi Dard, regarding the remission of Land Revenue on 10 Acres of a gricultural land was ruled out of order.

(2) On the Question of Privilege (No 10) sought to be raised by Capt. Rattan Singh regarding the Reports of Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes having been laid on the Table of the Punjab Vidhan Parishad before being laid before the Punjab Vidhan Sabha, the Speaker observed that Government should follow the well-established convention but rejected the motion.

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(3) The Question of Privilege (No. 11) sought to be raised by Capt. Rattan Singh regarding the breach of privilege committed by the Chief Minister by his categorical denial of the use of third degree methods against two foodgrain dealers of Jagraon in view of the strictures of the Punjab High Court on the Police, as reported in the Sunday Tribune, was ruled out of order on the ground that it was based on newspaper report.

WALK—OUT

As a mark of protest against the ruling of the Speaker the Opposition, led by Capt. Rattan Singh, walked out of the House, but returned after some time.

(4) On the Question of Privilege (No. 12) sought to be raised by Dr. Amir Singh regarding the news item appearing in the Daily Partap relating to the offer of money to M.L.As. in connection with the Bye-Elections to the Council of State, the Speaker observed that he was referring the matter to the Press Gallery Committee.

III. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 79) given by Com. Babu Singh Master regarding the abduction of two girl students of village Kalra near Hoshiarpur on 20th instant and murder of one of them ; was admitted.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 80) given by Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi regarding the bad treatment meted out to the nurses trained 'Dais' and Class IV employees by the Nursing Superintendent, Rajindra Hospital, Patiala; was admitted.

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 83) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and Com. Dana Ram regarding the wide-spread black marketing and non-availability of Vegetable Ghee at controlled rates ; was admitted.

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 84) by Com. Satya Pal Dang, Com. Babu Singh Master and Com. Dana Ram regardig the resentment caused by reported statement by the Chief Minister on the abolition of ceiling on 30 standard acres of land holdings ; was admitted.

(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 86) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang, Com. Babu Singh Master and Com. Dana Ram regarding the failure of Government in collecting rent from worker-tenants due to inter departmental disputes ; was admitted.

(6) Call Atention Notice (No. 91) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang regarding the attack reported to have been made by more than 50 persons on Shri Sudagar Mal and others and forcible demolition of his shop by them in Islamabad, Amritsar ; was admitted.

(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 94) given by Shri Gurdial Saini regarding the harassment caused to the 'Khokhawalas, and 'Rehriwalas, by the Administration of Jullundur Municipal Committee ; was admitted.

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(8) Call Attention Notice (No.95) given by Shri Kewal Krishan regarding the serious damage being caused to the standing crops of villages situated on the banks of river Beas by Wild Cows "Bhooter" every day ; was admitted.

(9) Call Attention Notice (No. 96) given by Shri Kewal Krishan regarding the non appointment of even one nursery trained teacher on the staff of Government Model School, Talwara ; was admitted.

(10) Call Attention Notice (No. 98) given by Dr. Amir Singh regarding the Construction work on village road from Tanda to Ghardiwala being held up at village Nangal Khunga, which was under consolidation operations ; was admitted.

(11) Call Attention Notice (No. 99) given by Dr. Amir Singh regarding the agitation by Zamindars of Bhogpur Mill Area for the increase of the price of Sugar-cane from Rs 9 to Rs 10 was admitted.

(12) Call Attention Notice (No. 100) given by Dr. Amir Singh regarding the rejection of the resolution unanimously passed by the Municipal Committee, Urmar-Tanda for the abolition of House Tax ; was admitted.

(13) Call Attention Notice (No. 101) given by Dr. Amir Singh rgarding the hardships being faced by the residents of Kandi area in Hoshiarpur district due to the non availability of drinking water and the damage caused by Wild Cows 'Gonds' ; was admitted.

(14) Call Attention Notice (No. 102) given by Com. Babu Singh Master regarding the demand of Punjab Subordinate Services District unit Ludhiana for an inquiry into the affairs of wrong payment to and beating of the employees of Block Samiti Sidhwan Bet at the hands of the B . D. O. was admitted.

(15) Call Attention Notice (No. 103) given by Giani Kundan Singh Patang regarding the wrong distribution of Harijan Welfare Fund during the last two years and the entire amount of loans having been advanced by Shri Dhannowali, the then Minister-in-charge, to his friends and relatives ; was admitted.

(16) Call Attention Notice (No. 104) given by Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi regarding the appointment of 31 new headmasters in pursuance of letter No. 7/268-68/E.S. (1), dated the 31st December, 1968 out of which not a single person belonging to Backward Classes and Scheduled Castes have been promoted as headmaster ; was admitted.

(17) Call Attention Notice (No. 105) given by Giani Kundan Singh Patang regarding the abuse of loud speakers and playing of records on private and public functions causing great deal of disturbance to the student Community in particular and public in general ; was admitted.

(18) Call Attention Notice (No. 107) given by Sardar Dalip Singh regarding goondaism indulged at the Government High School, Barnala, a Centre for Girls for Matriculation Examination; as a result of which the B.E.O. incharge of the arrangements ; was admitted.

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(19) Call Attention Notice (No. 108) given by Sardar Raja Singh regarding the serious damage caused to the vast area of Cultivable land of Rupar district by the Siswan Nadi flowing from the foot of Shivalik Hills and the failure of the Government in taking preventive measures well in time, was admitted.

The Ministers concerned were asked to make statement with regard to the above notices.

IV. Message from the Governor

The Speaker read out the letter received from the Governor expressing his gratitude to the Vidhan Sabha for the Motion of Thanks passed by the Sabha.

V. Announcement

By the Speaker.

House Committee for the year 1969-70.

1. Brig. Bikramajit Singh Bajwa.
2. Sardar Jasdev Singh Sandhu.
3. Sardar Davinder Singh Bajwa.
4. Dr. Amir Singh.
5. Chaudhri Jagat Ram.

VI. Statements laid on the Table

The Finance Minister laid on the Table statements on Call Attention Notice Nos. 1, 2, 5, 7 , 8, 20, 28, 31, 39, 42, 44 and 54.

VII. Questions on Statements given on Call Attention Notices.

Members concerned giving Call Attention Notice Nos. 6, 9 and 21 were allowed to ask one question each on the statements with regard thereto laid on the Table and the Minister concerned gave the reply.

VIII. Papers Laid on the Table

The Chief Minister laid on the Table.

(i) The fourteenth Report of the Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes for the year 1964-65.

(ii) The sixteenth Report of the Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Volumes I & II) for the year 1966-67.

IX. Demands for Grants on Account from April to July, 1969.

(i) Discussion on the demands for Grants on Account charged on the Revenue of the State.

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No member rose to speak on charged items when asked by the Speaker to do so.

(ii) Voting of the Demands for Grants on Account.

Objection was raised to discussion of the Demands on the ground that no motion for the consideration thereof had been moved. The Speaker held that the Demands for Grants on Account had been duly presented and moved as per past practice and convention.

Points of order were raised by Sardar Umrao Singh and Capt. Rattan Singh challenging the correctness of the procedure adopted, on the ground that the motion for consideration of the Demands had not been moved and the total sum to be voted upon had not been mentioned in the vote-on-account presented to the House.

Naming of the Member

The Speaker named Capt. Rattan Singh thrice for obstructing the Business of the House.

Short Adjournment of the House.

Due to persistent disorder in the House, it was adjourned for 15 minutes at 10.58 a.m.

Points and counter points were raised when the House re-assembled at 11.18 a.m.

The Speaker announced that after holding consultations with the Chief Minister and Leader of the Opposition he had decided that irrespective of the precedents and practice followed so far in the matter, the Finance Minister will move the motion for the consideration and adoption of the demands on account in a revised form.

The Finance Minister moved that -

Vote-on-Account for four months viz. April, May, June, and July, 1969 amounting to Rs 1,59,93,74 thousands as detailed in the Schedule there to be taken into consideration at once and passed.

Two Members from Treasury Benches and one from the Opposition spoke for 12 and 15 minutes respectively.

The Finance Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 5 minutes.

Guillotine was applied at 12.30 p.m.

The Motion moved by the Finance Minister was put and carried.

X. The Punjab Appropriation (Vote-on-Account) Bill, 1969.

The Finance Minister introduced the Bill and moved that Bill be taken into consideration at once.

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One Member of the C.P.I., one of the S.S.P. and one from the Opposition Benches spoke for 11, 9 and 1 minutes respectively .

The Finance Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 5 minutes. Guillotine was applied at 1.00 p.m.

Motion was stated and carried.

The Bill was then taken into consideration clause by clause.

All the clauses were put and carried and the Bill was passed.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 11.25 a.m. to 11.50 a.m. and from 11.55 A.M. to 12.58 p.m.

The Sabha then adjourned till 2.00 p.m. on Tuesday, the 1st April, 1969.

BULLETIN No. 11

Tuesday, the 1st April, 1969

(From 2.00 P.M. to 6.15 P.M.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred—

Total No. of Questions on the order paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	No. of Supplementaries
40	17	1	..	56

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

(b) Unstarred : 25

II. Personal Explanation

Personal explanation was given by Sardar Lachhman Singh Gill in connection with the information given by the Minister in reply to Supplementaries on Starred Question No. 109 regarding the upgrading of a school in village Nihal Khera.

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III. Question of Privilege

On the question of Privilege raised by Comrade Satya Pal Dang in connection with the information given in connection with the release of Comrade Kulwant Singh, the Speaker observed that no breach of Privilege had been committed as the information was conveyed to the Speaker in the confirmatory copy of the telegram received on the 26th March, 1969.

IV. Adjournment Motions

On the three Adjournment Motions (No. 3, 4 and 5) relating to the incidents in the Ferozepur Jail on 27th March, 1969 the Speaker observed that it was a long standing convention of the House that adjournment motions are not allowed during the Budget Session as members got ample opportunities to have their say at the General discussion of the Budget, Demands for Grants and the Appropriation Bill.

The Chief Minister, however, made a statement on the incident.

WALK—OUT

On the refusal of the Chief Minister to accede to the demand for instituting a Judicial Inquiry into the incident in the Ferozepur Jail, the Opposition staged a walk-out.

V. Announcement

By the Speaker —

Com. Kulwant Singh who had been released from Jail on 24th March, 1969 had been readmitted to the Jail on 28th March, 1969.

VI. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 82) given by Com. Babu Singh Master and Com. Satya Pal Dang regarding non-issuance of diploma certificates to candidates of two years' course in Veterinary science ; was admitted.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 110) given by Com. Darshan Singh Jhabal regarding the serious damage caused recently by rains and hail storm in the area of Attari District Amritsar ; was admitted.

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 113) given by Giani Kundan Singh Patang regarding the great loss to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes as a result of the abolition of Subordinate Service Selection Board ; was admitted.

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 114) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and others regarding the non-implementation of Government Notification on revised pay-scales allowing three increments to classical and vernacular teachers was admitted.

(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 115) given by Com. Babu Singh Master and others regarding the failure of the Government to release selection grades to the vernacular teachers ; was admitted.

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(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 117) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and others regarding the failure of the Government in granting recognition to Punjab Subordinate Services Federation to participate in the Joint Consultative machinery for Punjab Government employees ; was admitted.

(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 118) given by Shri Dalip Singh Pandhi regarding the possession of surplus lands not having been given to the tenants at Patiala to whom these had been allotted and who had paid the price therefor ; was admitted.

(8) On the Call Attention Notice (No. 119) given by Sardar Tara Singh Lyalpuri and others regarding withdrawal of cases and meeting of other demands of Punjab Roadways workers,the Chief Minister made a statement that orders had already been passed for the withdrawal of cases.

(9) Call Attention Notice (No. 120) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and Com. Babu Singh Master regarding the constant exodus of experienced teaching staff from Medical Colleges ; was admitted.

The Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect of the admitted notices.

VII. Announcement

By the Secretary—

"That the Punjab Appropriation Bill, 1969 and the Punjab Appropriation (Vote-on-Account) Bill, 1969, which were passed by the Vidhan Sabha on the 24th and 26th March and transmitted to the Punjab Vidhan Parishad for recommendations have been agreed to by the said Vidhan Parishad without any recommendation on the 26th and 29th March, 1969, respectively."

VIII. Paper Laid on the Table

The Chief Minister laid on the Table Amendments (two notifications) made by the Governor in the Punjab Public Service Commission Limitation of Functions Regulations, 1955, and Corrigendum dated the 9th February, 1968, as required under Article 320(5) of the Constitution.

IX. Statement Laid on the Table

The Industries Minister laid on the Table Statements on Call Attention Notices No. 10, 38, 50 and 76.

X. Obituary References

Obituary references to the death of Maharaj Sardar Nihal Singh, M.L.C. were made by the Chief Minister, Com. Babu Singh Master, Sardar Kirpal Singh, Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi, Shri Roop Lal Sathi and Com. Hardit Singh Bhathal.

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed in the House. The House stood in silence in memory of the departed soul.

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XI. Legislative Business :

The Revenue Minister, by leave of the House, introduced the land Acquisition (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1969.

XII. Discussion on Annual Administration Report of the Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 1966-67 :

The demand made by a member of the Opposition that the discussion of the Annual Financial Statements (Budget Estimates) of the Electricity Board for the year 1968-69 and 1969-70 be discussed along with the Report of the State Electricity Board for the year 1966-67 was agreed to by the House.

One Member of the C.P. (R) and five members of the Treasury Benches spoke for 30 minutes and 1 hour and 13 minutes respectively.

The Irrigation Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 17 minutes.

XIII. First Report of the Business Advisory Committee of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha :

The Deputy Speaker presented the first Report of the Business Advisory Committee.

Sardar Surjit Singh (Barnala), moved—

"that this House agrees with the recommendation contained in the first Report of the Business Advisory Committee."

The motion was put and carried.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 4.15 to 6.15 P.M.

The House then adjourned till 9.00 *A.M. on Wednesday, the 2nd April,* 1969.

BULLETIN NO. 12

Morning Sitting

Wednesday, the 2nd April, 1969

(From 9.00 A.M. to 1.00 P.M.)

I. Questions

Asking of Starred Questions commenced with the Supplementaries to Starred Question No. 163 on the list of Questions for the 1st April, 1969 and thereafter the list of Starred Questions for the 2nd April, 1969 was taken up.

STARRED QUESTIONS

Total No. of Questions on the order Paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	No. of Supplementaries
25	10	2	..	58

The remaining Questions were deemed to have been answered under rule 45 of the Rules.

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II. Questions of Privilege

(1) To the Question of Privilege (No. 13) sought to be raised by Capt. Rattan Singh regarding the alleged wrong and contradictory statements made by the Irrigation Minister while answering question No. 108, the Speaker did not give his consent on the ground that according to Parliamentary practice furnishing of alleged wrong information does not constitute a breach of privilege.

(2) To the Question of Privilege sought to be raised by Ch. Balbir Singh regarding some statement given by the Chief Minister at Ludhiana in connection with the purchase of foodgrains when the Vidhan Sabha was in Session, the Speaker did not give his consent as the Chief Minister stated that he had not made any such statement anywhere.

III. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 123) given by Com. Babu Singh Master and another regarding the heavy damage caused by recent hail storm in districts Bhatinda and Ferozepur ; was admitted.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 124) given by Com. Babu Singh Master regarding the alarming increase in unemployment among the educated youth ; was admitted.

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 125) given by Sardar Darshan Singh Jhabal regarding the obstruction to the traffic caused by Sohal and Bhullar drains during the rainy season ; was admitted.

(4) Call Attention Notices (Nos. 126, 127, 128 and 129) given by Com. Kulwant Singh were not taken up as the hon. member was not present in the House.

(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 131) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and another regarding the assault on Shri Nazar Singh by Shri Kishan Baldev and others of village Kot Khalsa, district Amritsar on 11th February, 1969 ; was admitted.

(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 132) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and another regarding wide-pread discontentment prevailing amonst the Higher Secondary students of Amritsar ; was admitted.

(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 133) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and another regarding the threatened direct form of action by the employees of Punjab State Electricity Board ; was admitted.

(8) Call Attention Notice (No. 135) given by Shri Gian Chand regarding the removal of wine shops from villages as a result of resolutions passed by village Panchayats ; was admitted.

(9) Call Attention Notice (No. 137) given by Sardar Kirpal Singh regarding the news-item in the Tribune, dated 30th March, 1969 about the removal of 400 teachers of privately-managed schools from service ; was admitted.

(10) Call Attention Notice (No. 138) given by Com. Darshan Singh Jhabal regarding the chain fasts by the Kisan in front of Lopoke Police Station against the repression at the hands of Police ; was admitted.

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(11) Call Attention Notice (No. 140) given by Sardar Tarlochan Singh Riasti regarding the wide-spread damage caused to the crops in a large number of villages of Tehsil Bhatinda ; was admitted.

(12) Call Attention Notice (No. 141) given by Ch. Satya Dev regarding the gruesome cruelty perpetrated upon 10, 15 calves by some cruel people on Ram Naumi day in Abohar Mandi ; was admitted.

(13) Call Attention Notice (No. 142) given by Ch. Satya Dev regarding the heavy damage caused by hail-storm and gale in 15, 20 villages in sub-tehsil Abohar, district Ferozepur; was admitted.

(14) Call Attention Notice (No. 143) given by Bhagat Guran Dass Hans regarding the non-implementation of the decision of the Punjab Government that Government employees of one year's standing on 28th February, 1969 were to be made regular ; was admitted.

The Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect of admitted notices.

IV. Statements on Call Attention Notices

The Industries Minister laid on the Table of the House statements on Call Attention Notices Nos. 16, 26, 48, 56, 61 and 99.

V. Papers Laid on the Table

(i) The Chief Minister laid on the Table the Three Reports on the working of the Punjab Public Service Commission for the period from 1st April, 1965 to 31st March, 1966, 1st April, 1966 to 31st October, 1966 and 1st November, 1966 to 31st March, 1967 as presented to the Governor, together with the Memorandum in respect of first two reports explaining the reasons for the non acceptance of the advice of the Commission as required underArticle 323(2) of the Constitution.

(ii) Irrigation and Power Minister laid on the Table the Statement showing the Guarantee given by the Punjab Government against loans taken by the Punjab State Electricity Board, Patiala up to the year 1968-69 as required under Section 66 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.

VI. General Discussion on the Budget.

The House then proceeded to discuss the Budget for 1969-70.

Two Members from the Oppostition, one each from S.S.P. and C.P.(L) and two from the Treasury Benches spoke for one hour seven minutes, 22 minutes, 25 minutes and 41 minutes, respectively.

VII. Personal Explanation.

Personal explanation was given by Shri Gurdial Saini in regard to the remarks made by him on the 20th March, 1969 in connection with the carrying of 'kirpan' by a visitor in the Visitors' Gallery.

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The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 10.27 A. M. to 10.42 A.M. and Sardar Shaspal Singh, a member of the Panel of Chairmen, from 10.42 A.M. to 1.00 P.M.

The House then adjound till 2.30 *P.M. on Wednesday, the* 2*nd April,* 1969.

BULLETIN NO. 13

Wednesday, the 2nd April, 1969.

(From 2.30 P.M. to 6.30 P.M.)

Resumption of General discussion of the Budget for 1969-70.

Discussion on the Budget was resumed.

Seven Members from the Opposition (Congress), five from Treasury Benches, one from C.P.I.(M) and one from Swatantra Party spoke for two hours and 19 minutes, one hour and five minutes, 16 minutes, and 20 minutes respectively.

Sardar Basant Singh, a member of Panel of Chairmen occupied the Chair from 3-32 P.M.to 3-35 and the Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 3.35 P.M. to 6.30 P.M.

Ch. Jagat Ram, was on his legs when the House adjourned.

The House was adjourned till 9.00 *A.M. on Thursday, the* 3*rd April,* 1969.

BULLETIN NO. 14

Thursday, the 3rd April, 19b9.

(From 9.00 A.M. to 1.00 P.M.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred—

Total number of Questions on the order Paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	Number of Supplementaries.
25	6	..	..	56

The remaining Questions on the order paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

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II. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 147) given by Dr. Amir Singh regarding the inadequate accommodation in Government Girls Higher Secondary School, Urmar, Tehsil Dasua; was admitted.

(2) Call Atteention Notice (No. 148) given by Sardar Ajit Singh and another regarding the heavy damage caused to standing crops to a number of villages in Talwandi Sabo area; was admitted.

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 151) given by Shri Gurdial Saini regarding the proposal of the Government to close down the Government Junior Technical School, Jullundur, was admitted.

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 152) given by Ch. Satya Dev regarding the proposed leasing out of land of Government Headworks, Ferozepur through auction was admitted.

(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 155) given by Sardar Bachan Singh Pakho regarding the distribution of land in Bet area to the Harijans; was admitted.

(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 156) given by Shri Kewal Krishan regarding the harassment of poor cultivators of village Saryana by A.S.I. of Hamirpur police Station; was admitted.

(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 157) given by Ch. Jagat Ram regarding the strangulation to death of a couple in village Meliwana, tehsil Nawan Shehr, Police Station, Banga; was admitted.

(8) Call Attention Notice (No. 158) given by Shri Kewal Krishan regarding the exemption from payment of toll tax for use of boat bridge on river Beas near village Naushehra; was admitted.

(9) Call Attention Notice (No. 159) given by Com. Babu Singh Master regarding the failure of the Government in granting the scale of pay of Rs 300—600 to post -graduate teachers; was admitted.

(10) Call Attention Notice (No. 160) given by Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi regarding the cancellation of interviews of the candidates for the post of Inspector by the Excise & Taxation Commissioner fixed on 1st April, 1969; was admitted.

(11) Call Attention Notice (No. 163) given by Sardar Raja Singh regarding the demand for the deposit of fees amounting to Rs 6,000 from the students of Government Ayurvedic College, Patiala before being allowed to sit in the examination; was admitted.

(12) Call Attention Notice (No. 166) given by Sardar Teja Singh regarding the non-implementation of the orders for opening two dispensaries in villages Manuke and Guru Teg Bahadur Garh; was admitted.

(13) Call Attention Notice (No. 168) given by Sardar Dalip Singh regarding the damage caused to the building of Congress office at Barnala; was admitted.

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(14) Call Attention Notice (No. 170) given by Shri Gurdial Saini regarding the Communication set in the office of the Industries Officer, Jullundur; was admitted.

(15) Call Attention Notice (No. 171) given by Sardar Darshan Singh K.P. regarding the social ostracism of Harijans in village Dhanal Khurd, tehsil and district Jullundur; was admitted.

(16) Call Attention Notice (No. 172) given by Raja Narinder Singh regarding obstructions caused by some members of village Makhewal in the construction of a Dharamsala by the Harijans: was admitted.

The Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect of these admitted notices.

III. Statements on Call attention Notices

The Industries Minister laid statements on Call Attention Notices No. 51, 65, 66, 71, 72, 79, 84, 91 and 100.

IV. Papers laid on the Table

Industries Minister laid on the Table Thirteenth and Fifteenth Report of the Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes for the year 1963-64 and 1965-66.

V. Announcement

By the Secretary—

"I beg to lay on the Table of the House a Statement showing the Bills which were passed by the Punjab State Legislature during its Current (Budget) Session, 1969, and which have since been assented to by the Governor of Punjab :—

1. The Punjab Appropriation Bill, 1969.
2. The Punjab Appropriation (Vote-on-Account) Bill, 1969.

VI. Resolutions

Resumption of discussion on the following resolution—

"This House recommends to the Government to take steps to see that the flat rate charged for electricity consumed by tube-wells in the State is abolished with immediate effect."

Sardar Umrao Singh, who was on his legs when the House adjourned on 20th March, 1969, resumed his speech.

Five members from the Opposition (Congress), **Seven** from the Treasury Benches and one from the C.P.I. participated in the discussion speaking for 47 minutes, 91 minutes and 12 minutes, respectively

Sardar Mohinder Singh was on his legs when the House adjourned for the day.

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Sardar Jasdev Singh, a member of the Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 10.30 A.M. to 1.00 P. M.

The House then adjourned till 2.30 P.M. on the 3rd April, 1969.

BULLETIN No. 15

Thursday, the 3rd April, 1969.

(From 2.00 P.M. to 6.30 P.M.)

(Brief record of the proceedings of the meeting of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha held on Thursday, the 3rd April, 1969 from 2.00 P.M. to-6.30 P. M.)

I. Second report of the Business Advisory Committee.

The Speaker presented the Report and Sardar Gurmit Singh, a member of the Committee, moved—

"That this House agrees with the recommendations contained in the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee. The motion was not accepted by the House. Sardar Gurmit Singh moved that the report be referred back to the Committee for reconsideration. The Report after reconsideration was again presented to the House and the motion for its adoption moved by Capt. Rattan Singh, Deputy Leader of the Opposition, was carried."

II. Resumption of general discussion of Budget for the year 1969-70.

The discussion was resumed and 13 members participated in the discussion.

Six members from the Opposition, five members from the Treasury Benches, one member from the Janta Party and one Independent Member spoke for 90 minutes, 84 minutes, 40 minutes and 19 minutes, respectively.

Sardar Shashpal Singh, a member of the Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 3.30 P.M. to 4.16 P.M. and Sardar Jasdev Singh Sandhu a member of the Panel of Chairmen, from 4.56 P.M. to 6.30 P.M.

BULLETIN NO. 16

Monday, the 7th April, 1969

(From 2.00 P.M. to 6.30 P.M.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred—

Asking of the Questions Starred with the Supplementaries to Starred Question No. 97 in the list of Starred Questions for the 3rd April, 1969. Thereafter list of Starred Questions for 7th April, 1969 was taken up.

Total No. of Questions on the order Paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	No. of Suplementaries
25	17	2	—	51

The remaining Starred Questions were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45.

(b) Unstarred 17

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II. Questions of Privilege

(1) Regarding the Question of Privilege sought to have been raised by Dr. Amir Singh on 26th March, 1969 relating to a news-item appearing in the Daily Partap of that date alleging that some voters were being bribed for their votes in the Bye-Election to the Rajya Sabha, which had been referred to the Chairman of Press Gallery Committee, the Speaker observed that the Chairman and members of the Press Gallery Committee and the correspondent concerned had assured that there was no intention of showing any disrespect to the members of the House. He, therefore, refused his consent to the Question of Privilege.

(2) Regarding the Question of Privilege sought to have been raised by Sardar Balwant Singh and other hon. Members regarding the remarks alleged to have been made by the Chairman, Punjab Vidhan Praishad on the move for the abolition of the Upper House the Speaker observed that according to the well established practice that no House should cast aspersion on another House and no member should cast aspersion on a member of another House. The Speaker assured the House that he would follow that practice both in letter and spirit. It was for the hon.Chairman to enforce in the other House. The consent to the motion was, therefore, refused by him.

(3) Regarding the Question of Privilege sought to have been raised by Ch. Ram Singh relating to the discrepancies in the figures in the Budget documents. The Speaker observed that after discussing the matter with the Finance Minister he was satisfied that those discrepancies were due to printing errors. He, therefore, refused leave to the Question of Privilege.

(4) Regarding the Question of Privilege sought to have been raised by Sardar Babu Singh Master in connection with the news-item published in the Hind Samachar, dated 3rd April, 1969 on the announcement reported to have made by the Punjab Government about its decision to raise sales Tax rate from 1 5 per cent to 3 per cent on foodgrains, the Speaker observed that no breach of Privilege was involved. The Government should, however, follow the healthy convention of making such announcement in the House when the Sabha was in Session.

(5) Leave to move the Question of Privilege given notice of by Sardar Umrao Singh regarding news-item appearing in the Hind Samachar, dated the 6th April, 1969 that the hon. member was joining the Akali Dal was refused as it did not involve a breach of Privilege. The Speaker, however, remarked that the press should avoid giving currency to speculative news-item in order to avoid un-necessary controversies.

III. Adjournment Motion

The Adjournment Motion sought to be raised by Ch. Ram Singh in connection with discrepancies due to printing mistakes in the Budget document was disallowed on the ground that it was a well established convention and practice that adjournment motions were not permitted during the Budget Session as members get ample opportunities to express their views on the General discussion of the Budget and on demands for various grants and the Appropriation Bill.

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IV. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 161) given by Sarder Kirpal Singh Makhewala regarding damage caused to crops in certain Villages in Bhatinda district, was admitted.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 174) given by Com. Kulwant Singh and others regarding the situation arising out of the chain hunger strikes of the Bhatha mazdoor Leaders before the Punjab Vidhan Sabha; was admitted.

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 175) given by Com. Kulwant Singh and others regarding the breakdown of talks between the Finance Minister and representatives of Post-Graduate teachers ; was admitted.

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 176) given by Com. Kulwant Singh and others regarding the confusion created about the education policy of the Government by the contradictory Statements of the Ministers and Leaders of the ruling coalition ; was admitted.

(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 177) given by Com. Kulwant Singh and others regarding the failure of the Government to provide relief to the drought hit Kandi area ; was admitted.

(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 178) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and others regarding the failure of the Government in withdrawing all cases against Central employees in connection with the strike on the 19th September, 1968 in spite of the assurances; was admitted.

(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 184) given by Shri Manmohan Kalia regarding the decision of the Punjab State Electricity Board not to implement the Revised pay scales of Boards' engineers ; was admitted.

(8) Call Attention Notice (No. 188) given by Com. Babu Singh Master and others regarding the failure of the Controller of Stores, Punjab to provide winter Uniforms to Class IV Government employees this year ; was admitted.

(9) Call Attention Notice (No. 190) given by Sardar Raja Singh regarding the gun-fire attack on Shri Tilak Raj of Kurali in an attempt to deprive him of a big sum of money withdrawn from a Bank ; was admitted.

(10) Call Attention Notice (No. 191) given by Shri Kewal Krishan regarding no tractor having been brought for the trainees of Tractor Mechanical Class in I.T.I., Talwara for the last eight months' ; was admitted.

(11) Call Attention Notice (No. 195) given by Bhagat Guran Dass Hans regarding the assault made in Hoshiarpur on a minor girl returning from Rajnimata fair on the 2nd April, 1969; was admitted.

(12) Call Attention Notice (No. 196) given by Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi regarding shortage of buses on Patiala to Sirhind and many other routes in the State ; was admitted.

(13) Call Attention Notice (No. 197) given by Sardar Dalip Singh regarding the situation arising out of plying of private cars as taxis ; was admitted.

The Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect of these admitted notices.

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V. Statements on Call Attention Notices

Industries Minister laid on the Table Statements in reply to Call Attention Notices Nos. 27, 52, 57, 73, 83, 105 and 118.

VI. Questions on Statements laid on the Table of the House

Members concerned were permitted and asked one question each on the statements on Call Attention Notices Nos. 65, 84 and 91.

VII. Announcement

The Speaker announced the revised programme of the Elections of the Public Accounts Committee and Estimates Committee and sought the consent of the House thereto. The House agreed to the changes made in the programme.

VIII. Resumption of General Discussion of the Budget for the year 1969-70

Discussion of the Budget was thereafter resumed.

One member of the P.S.P. one from the Treasury Benches, one from the Opposition (Congress) and on from the S.S.P. spoke for 25, 17, 20 and 20 minutes respectively.

The Chief Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 5 mintues.

Walk-Out

Ch. Tulsi Ram, a member of the Opposition, walked out as a protest against not being given time to speak.

Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 4.03 P.M. to 5.55 P.M.

The House adjourned till 2.00 p.m. on Tuesday, the 8th April, 1969.

BULLETIN No. 17

Tuesday, the 8th April, 1969

(From 2.00 p.m. to 6.18 p.m.)

I. Questions

Asking of Starred Questions started with the Supplementaries to Starred Question No. 127 on the list of Questions for the 7th April, 1969 and thereafter the list of Questions for 8th April, 1969, was taken up.

Total No. of Questions on the order Paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	No. of supplementaries
25	14	Nil	3	72

The remaining Starred Questions were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

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II. Adjournment Motions

(1) The Adjournment Motion (No. 6) sought to be moved by Com. Satya Pal Dang and others and the other by Capt. Rattan Singh and others regarding the enquiry held by the Commissioner Jullunder Division into the firing in Ferozepur Jail were ruled out of order on the ground that motions for adjournment are not admitted during the Budget Session as Members have many opportunities to speak on every subject.

(2) and (3) Regarding Adjournment Motion (No. 7 and 8) sought to be moved by Com. Staya Pal Dang and the other from Master Gurbanta Singh and others regarding a statement alleged to have been made by Shankar Acharya of Puri (Jagadguru) regarding untouchability etc., the Speaker again referring to the practice that adjournment motions were not admitted during the Budget Session disallowed the motions.

Points and counter points were raised on the ruling Industries Minister, Leader of the Opposition and the Leader of the House expressed their views on the subject under discussion.

Com. Satya Pal Dang made some remarks by way of personal explanation on the views expressed by Sirdar Kapur Singh on the role of the Communist Party of India.

III. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 198) given by Sardar Gurmit Singh regarding the non-implementation of the decision regarding the benefit of war service to the Doctors who rendered service with the Army in the National Emergency ; was admitted.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 199) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and others regarding the failure of the Government in giving the teachers of provincialized Schools the benefit of pension at par with the teachers in other schools ; was admitted.

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 200) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and others regarding the absence of a clear Government policy about the future of provincialized schools ; was admitted.

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 201) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and others regarding the criminal assault made on Shrimati Dalip Kaur, Auxiliary Nurse Midwife, Primary Health Centre, Mand; was admitted.

(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 202) given by Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda and Ch. Ram Singh regading the decision of Punjab Schools (Recognized) Teachers' Union to go on one day casual leave on 11th April, 1969 and the situation caused thereby ; was admitted.

(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 203) given by Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda regarding the protest by the Higher Secondary Students of Amritsar on the decision of the University to re-examine the students of Amritsar in 11 papers ; was admitted.

(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 204) given by Master Gurbanta Singh regarding the damage caused to village Sanghwal etc. of Jullundur District by sem ; was admitted.

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(8) Call Attention Notice (No. 205) given by Master Gurbanta Singh regarding the failure to clear and the likely damage from shrubbery in drain near village Nagajja tehsil and district Jullundur ; was admitted.

(9) Call Attention Notice (No. 206) given by Master Gurbanta Singh regarding the damage caused to temporary culvert on a drain going between village Boole and Maridpur during rainy season ; was admitted.

(10) Call Attention Notice (No. 207) given by Shri Gurdial Saini regarding gravely injuring the religious feelings of Shri Dev Kumar by Incharge Police Chowki No. 3, Jullundur City ; was admitted.

(11) Call Attention Notice (No. 209) given by Ch. Balbir Singh regarding misappropriation of lakhs of rupees by a group of Officers of the Irrigation Department ; was admitted.

(12) Call Attention Notice (No. 210) given by Sardar Kirpal Singh regarding the leasing out of Municipal Land in Ajit Nagar, Amritsar to Shri Sat Pal Mahajan ; was admitted.

(13) Call Attention Notice (No. 212) given by Com. Darshan Singh Jhabal and another regarding supply of power for 4/5 hours in 24 hours to tube-wells ; was admitted.

(14) Call Attention Notice (No. 214) given by Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi regarding the reversion of large number of employees of the Border Security forces to the P.A.P. by the Punjab Government ; was admitted.

(15) Call Attention Notice (No. 215) given by Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi regarding the renaming of Institute of modern Languages, Patiala to Sanskrit Vidyala and lowering of the standard of teaching of Punjabi therein ; was admitted.

The Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect of these admitted notices.

IV. Statements in Reply to Call Attention Notices

The Industries Minister laid on the Table statements in reply to Call Attention Notices Nos. 80, 100, 104 and 120.

V. Papers laid on the Table

(i) **The Irrigation Minister** laid on the Table Annual Administration Report of the Punjab State Electricity Board, Patiala for the year 1967-68 as required under Section 75 (1A) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.

(ii) The Irrigation Minister laid on the Table the Annual Statements of Accounts the Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 1967-68 (3rd May, 1967 to 31st March, 1968) and the Audit Report thereon as required under Section 69(1) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.

(iii) **Industries Minister** laid on the Table the Financial Review on the working of the Pepsu Road Transport Corporation, Patiala during the year 1965-66, as required under Section 33(4) of the Road Transport Corporations Act, 1950.

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VI. Discussion of Demands for Grants

The Industries Minister moved —

Demand No. 9

" That a sum not exceeding Rs 2,99,59,330 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in the course of payment for the year 1969-70 (excluding the amount already voted on account) in respect of charges under head " 19—General Administration".

Demand No. 12

"That a sum not exceeding Rs 5,64,59,040 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in the course of payment for the year 1969-70 (excluding the amount already voted on account) in respect of charges under head " 23—Police."

The Speaker declared that Demand Nos. 9 and 12 will be discussed together alongwith the cut motions notice of which have been received and circulated.

All the Cut Motions were deemed to have been moved.

Three members from the Opposition (Congress), **three** members from the Treasury Benches, **one** from the C.P. (R) **one** from the Swantantra Party spoke for **46** minutes, **41** minutes, **20**minutes and **8** minutes.

The Chief Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 30 minutes.

All the Cut Motions were either lost or withdrawn.

Demand Nos. 9 and 12 were put to the vote of the House and carried.

Walk-Out

Sardar Kirpal Singh Makhewal staged a walk out as a protest against his not having been given time to speak.

Sardar Shashpal Singh, a member of the Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 4.00 p.m. to 5.18 p.m.

The Sabha then adjourned till 2.00 P. M. on Wednesday, the 9th April, 1969.

BULLETIN No. 18

Wednesday, the 9th April, 1969
(From 2.00 p.m. to 6.20 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred—

Total No. of Questions on the Order paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	No. of Supplementaries
31	15	4	2	51

Supplementaries to Question No. 224 were postponed till the 10th April, 1969

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The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to hava been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

(b) Unstarred: 7

II. Adjournment Motion

While refusing to give his consent to the adjournment motion regarding the restrictions placed on the Sikhs residing in U.K. given notice of by Sardar Umrao Singh, the Speaker informed the House that the matter was covered by Call Attention Notice (No. 216) by Major Harinder Singh, which was the first Call Attention admitted for the day.

III. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 216) given by Major Harinder Singh regarding restrictions imposed on Sikhs residing in U.K. in the matter of beards and turbans ; was admitted.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 217) given by Major Harinder Singh regarding fixation of the price of wheat and other food-grains ; was admitted.

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 218) given by Ch. Tulsi Ram Chauhan regarding non-availability of drinking water and damage caused to crops in Kandi area of Sub-Tehsil Balachaur; was admitted.

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 220) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and others regarding the reduction of octroi rates in Chheharta by 50 per cent; was admitted

(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 221) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and others regarding the situation arising out of the agitation launched by the Engineers of the Punjab State Electricity Board ; was admitted.

(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 225) given by Shri Gurdial Saini regarding the appointment of Chairman. Khadi Board, Punjab; was admitted.

(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 228) given by Ch. Balbir Singh regarding the defective drinking water made available by the Municipal Committee, Hoshiarpur ; was admitted.

The Chief Minister made statements in regard to Call Attention Notices Nos. 216 and 217 referred to above.

The Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect of the remaining admitted Call Attention Notices.

IV. Statements on Call Attention Notices

The Minister for Revenue and Rehabilitation laid statements on Call Attention Notices Nos. 47, 86, 107, 108, 110, 115, 123, 140, 142 and 148.

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V. Expulsion of a Member

As promised by the Chief Minsiter while giving reply to Starred Question No. 163, he laid on the Table of the House a copy of the Memorandum containing allegations against Sardar Lachhman Singh Gill, Ex. Chief Minister, and others as submitted to the President of India. Sardar Lachhman Singh Gill repeatedly rose in his seat on points of order/Personal Explanation and insisted that he should be allowed to explain his stand in regard to the charges contained in the Memorandum. On his being not permitted to do so and his continuously interrupting the proceedings, he was named by the Speaker and asked to withdraw from the House. As he persisted in giving explanation the Speaker said that it was not permissible under any Rule and his conduct was declared to be grossly disorderly, he was asked to withdraw from the House but he refused to do so. Thereupon, the Chief Minister moved that Rule 104 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Busine ss in the Punjab Legislative Assembly be suspended. After this Motion was carried, the Chief Minister moved that Sardar Lachhman Singh Gill be suspended from the service of the House for the rest of the Sression. Sardar Kapur Singh suggested by way of an amendment that Sardar Lachman Singh Gill may be expelled from the House till the end of the current week. This amendment having been accepted by the Chief Minister, the Motion, as amended, was put to the vote of the House and carried.

VI. Discussion of the Situation arising out of the police Firing in Central Jail Ferozepur

The Speaker informed the House that as a number of Members had written to him expressing their desire to discuss situation arising out of the firing in Ferozepur Jail and in view of the fact that this matter had been discussed in the Punjab Vidhan Parishad, he would allow discussion on the subject on Friday, the 11th April, 1969 from 2.00 P.M. to 4.00 P.M. Starred Questions in the list for that day would be deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly and no Call Attention Notices etc. would be taken up on that day. The sitting of the House would be extended by one hour to allow full time for discussion on other items on the Agenda.

VII. Demands for Grants

The Chief Minister moved that a sum not exceeding Rs 5,11,17,470 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in the course of payment for the year 1969-70 (excluding the amount already voted on Account) in respect of charges under head "31—Agri culture". (Demand No. 19).

Demands Nos. 41, 26, 27, 28, 43 and 44 and the Cut Motions in respect of all the demands were deemed to have been read and moved.

One Member from the Treasury Benches and one from the C.P.I. (R), spoke for 20 minutes and 15 minutes respectively. The Minister for Irrigation and power and the Chief Minister spoke in reply for 15 minutes each.

Cut Motions No. 1 to 4 to Demand No. 19 were, by leave, withdrawn. Cut Motions Nos. 5, 6 and 7 to Demand No. 19 were put and lost. Demand No. 19 was put and carried.

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Demand No. 41 was put and carried.

Cut Motion to Demand No. 26 was p t and lost. Demand No. 26 was put and carried

Cut Motion to Demand No. 27 was put and lost. Demand No. 27 was then put and carried.

Cut Motion to Demand No. 28 was put and lost. Demand No. 28 was put and carried.

Demands Nos. 43 and 44 were put and carried separately.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 5.10 P.M. till the House adjourned at 6.20 P.M.

The House was adjourned till 2-00 P. M. on Thursday, the 10th April, 1969.

BULLETIN No. 19

Thursday, the 10th April, 1969

(From 2.00 P.M. to 6.30 P.M.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred—

Asking of Starred Questions commenced with th Supplementaries to Starred Question No. 224 in the List of Questions for the 9th April, 1969, and there after the List of Starred Questions for the 10th April, 1969, was taken up.

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Post-poned	Not put	No. of Supplementaries
26 (Including one short Notice Question)	11 (Including Short Notice Question)	1	—	88

(b) Unstarred : 11—

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order paper were deemed to have been answered Under Rule 45 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly.

II. Question of Privilege

The Speaker informed the House that he had received notice of a question of privilege from Com. Satya Pal Dang regarding alleged wrong information

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given by the Minister concerned in reply to Unstarred Question No. 37. He requested the Minister to clarify the position. The matter would be further examined after the receipt of clarification from the Minister.

III. Call Attention Notices :

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 229) given by Com. Babu Singh Master regarding Dharna and hunger strike by Para-Medical and Health employees at Ferozepur ; was admitted.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 230) given by Com. Babu Singh Master regarding retrenchment of Steno-typists posted in Panchayat Samitis ; was admitted.

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 231) given by Sardar Gurbanta Singh regarding upgrading the Village Primary School to Middle School in village Harimpur, Tehsil and District Jullundur ; was admitted.

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 232) given by Sardar Gurbanta Singh regarding construction of Village roads in Jullundur Tehsil ; was admitted.

(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 236) given by Com. Darshan Singh Jhabal, regarding Seed Testing Laboratory, Ludhiana ; was admitted.

(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 237) given by Sardar Kirpal Singh, regarding off-take of wheat stocks from the Markets ; was admitted.

(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 238) given by Sardar Kirpal Singh, regarding admission to 6th Class in Government and other Schools at Amritsar ; was admitted.

(8) Call Attention Notice (No. 239) given by Sardar Kirpal Singh, regarding restrictions on the preparation of milk products ; was admitted.

(9) Call Attention Notice (No. 240) given by Sardar Kartar Singh Vaid regarding Amrit Co-operative Multi-purpose Society Ltd., Ropar; was admitted.

(10) Call Attention Notice (No. 241) given by Shri Kewal Krishan, regarding merciless beating of a Patwari ; was admitted.

(11) Call Attention Notice (No. 242) given by Shri Kewal Krishan, regarding sale of lottery tickets ; was admitted.

(12) Call Attention Notice (No. 243) given by Sardar Tara Singh and Com. Satya Pal Dang, regarding Junior Auditors and Clerks of Food and Supplies Department ; was admitted.

(13) Call Attention Notice (No. 245) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and others regarding death of two employees in the V.J. Hospital, Amritsar, was admitted.

(14) Call Attention Notice (No. 248) was not taken up as the Member was not present.

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The Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect of these admitted Call Attention Notices.

IV. Statements in Reply to Call Attention Notices

The Minister for Revenue and Rehabilitation laid on the Table of the House Statements in reply to Call Attention Notices Nos. 94, 141, 151, 163 and 195.

V. Statement by Chief Minister

The Chief Minister made a statement informing the House that the restictions on the Sikhs residing in United Kingdom in the matter of wearing turbans and beards imposed by a Transport Committee, had been lifted.

VI. Resolutions

(1) Resumption of discussion on the following resolution—

"That this House recommends to the Government to take steps to see that the flat rate charged for electricity consumed by tube-wells in the State be abolished with immediate effect."

Two members from the SSP five from the Treasury Benches, three from the Opposition (Congress), one from Swatantra Party, and one Independent participated in the discussion for 9 minutes, 58 minutes, 30 minutes, 3 minutes and 5 minutes respectively. The Chief Minister spoke for 17 minutes and the mover of the Resolution, Com. Babu Singh Master spoke, by way of reply, for 3 minutes.

The resolution was, by leave, withdrawn.

(2) Comrade Babu Singh Master while moving that :

"This House recommends to the Government that land revenue in the State on holdings of agricultural land not exceeding 10 acres be abolished."

Spoke for 24 minutes.

Thereafter one Member from the Treasury Benches spoke on the Resolution for 23 minutes. Sardar Gurmit Singh was on his legs when the House was adjourned.

Sardar Jasdev Singh Sandhu and Sardar Shashpal Singh, members of the Panel of Chairmen occupied the Chair from 3.36 P.M. to 5.52 P.M. and from 5.52 P.M. to 6.30 P.M. respectively.

The House then adjourned till 2.00 P.M. on Friday, the 11th April, 1969.

BULLETIN No. 20
Friday, the 11th April, 1969
(From 2.00 P.M. to 7.05 P.M.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred—

All the 25 Starred Questions on the Order paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

(b) Unstarred : 4

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II. Discussion of the situation arising out of the Police Firing in Central Jail Ferozepur on 27th March, 1969.

Initiating the discussion, Capt. Rattan Singh spoke for 33 minutes. One Member each from the C.P.I. (R) S.S.P., C.P.I. (M) and P.S.P. spoke for 18 minutes, 12 minutes, 14 minutes and 7 minutes respectively. The Chief Minister while replying to the discussion spoke for 34 minutes.

III. Walk Out

As a protest against the refusal of the Government to order judicial enquiry into the police firing in the Central Jail, Ferozepur, the Member of the Opposition (Congress), C.P.I. (R), C.P.I. (M), S.S.P. and P.S.P. staged a walk out.

IV. Demands for Grants

It was decided that the Demands Nos. 16 and 17 be moved and discussed together and voted on separately. Cut motions were deemed to have been read and moved.

Demand No. 16

The Minister for Irrigation and Power moved :—

"That a sum not exceeding Rs 19,02,34,600 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in the course of payment for the year 1969-70 (excluding the amount already voted on Account) in respect of charges under head "28—Education."

Demand No. 17

"That a sum not exceeding Rs 3,87,96,220 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in the course of payment for the year-1969-70 (excluding the amount already voted on Account) in respect of charges under head "29—Medical."

Three Members from the Opposition (Congress), four from the Treasury Benches, one from Swatantra Party, one from C.P.I. (R) and one from P.S.P. participated in the discussion for 57 minutes,-49 minutes, 15 minutes, 15 minutes and 15 minutes respectively. The Chief Minister intervened in the discussion for 10 minutes. The Minister for Irrigation and Power spoke in reply for 20 minutes.

Cut Motions Nos. 1 and 4 to Demand No. 16 having been put and lost, and Cut Motions Nos. 2 and 3 having been, by leave withdrawn, Demand (No. 16) was put and carried.

Demand No. 17 was then put and carried.

Sardar Jasdev Singh Sandhu, a Member of the Panel of Chairman occupied the Chair from-4.20 P.M. to-6.02 P.M.

The House then adjourned till 9.00A.M. on Tuesday, the 15th April, 1969.

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BULLETIN No. 21

Tuesday, the 15th April, 1969

(From 9.00 A.M. to 12.40 P.M.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred.

Total No. of Questions on the order paper.	Answered.	Postponed	Not put	No. of Supplementaries.
25	17	5	3	42

(b) Unstarred 4

II. Adjournment Motion

Adjournment Motion (No. 11) given notice by Com. Babu Singh Master regarding the F.I.R. No. 180 lodged by the Ex. Speaker, Sardar Joginder Singh Mann in the Police Station, Sector 17 in connection with the happenings in the House on 18th March, 1968 was ruled out of order by the Speaker on the ground that apart from the fact that adjournment motions were not taken up for discussion during the Budget Session, the adjournment motion was otherwise also not admissible as the F.I.R. was lodged with the Chandigarh Union Territory Police, which was not under the jurisdiction of the State Government.

III. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 250) given by Ch. Sunder Singh regarding imminent danger to certain villages of tehsil Pathankot, district Gurdaspur at present surrounded by river water, being washed away during the rainy season ; was admitted.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 251) given by Master Gurbanta Singh regarding the loss being suffered by the peasants of the State due to the non release of Triple dwarf wheat seed by the Agriculture Department ; was admitted.

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 252) given by Sardar Santokh Singh regarding the situation caused by the decision of the Principals of Higher Secondary Schools of Amritsar not to allow any official of the University to enter the school premises to reconduct the Higher Secondary Part II examination ; was admitted.

The Chief Minister made a statement in the House.

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 255) given by Com. Kulwant Singh and Com. Babu Singh Master regarding misbehaviour of the S.H.O. of village Jaurkian, District Mansa and the indiscriminate beating of the people by him at a public gathering in Harijan Dharmsala of the village ; was admitted.

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(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 256) given by Com. Kulwant Singh and Com. Babu Singh Master regarding the discontinuation of the water supply in village Talwandi Sabo, District Bhatinda by the P. W.D. ; was admitted.

(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 259) given by Ch. Sunder Singh, regarding the non-upgrading of the Middle School, Narot Mehra, Tehsil Pathankot, District Gurdaspur ; was admitted.

(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 260) given by Ch. Sunder Singh regarding the non-electrification of about 100 villages in Taragarh area, tehsil Pathankot, district Gurdaspur ; was admitted.

(8) Call Attention Notice (No. 261) given by Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi regarding the improper teaching done in Patiala as a whole and especially in the villages of Sirhind block ; was admitted.

(9) Call Attention Notice (No. 262) given by Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi regarding the supply of a large number of Cooper Diesel Engines to the farmers by Patiala Co-operative Supply and Marketing Federation ; was admitted.

(10) Call Attention Notice (No. 268) given by Shri Gian Chand regarding the termination of the services of five teachers working on probation in the privately-managed schools in violation of the orders of the Punjab Government to District Education Officers ; was admitted.

(11) Call Attention Notice (No 270) given by Master Gurbanta Singh regarding the grant of loans to Kisans through Land Mortgage Bank in Jullundur Tehsil, was admitted.

(12) Call Attention Notice (No. 271) given by Com. Babu Singh Master and others regarding the non payment of wages for March, 1969 to the workshop staff of Punjab Roadways, Moga ; was admitted.

(13) Call Attention Notice (No. 273) given by Com. Babu Singh Master and others regarding the non payment of wages for the month of March to over two thousand employees working in the Hospitals against the para Medical and Health staff ; was admitted.

(14) Call Attention Notice (No. 277) given by Ch. Satya Dev regarding the injustice meted out to the Patwaris to the Cultivators in 15, 20 villages of Abohar Tehsil who have suffered heavy loss as a result of recent hail-storm was admitted.

(15) Call Attention Notice (No. 279) given by Ch. Balbir Singh regarding the probe into the circumstances leading to the death of a College Lecturer, Shri S.R. Kapoor ; was admitted.

(16) Call Attention Notice (No. 281) given by Com. Babu Singh Master and Com. Kulwant Singh regarding defective Diesel Engines purchased by the farmers belonging to Patiala district through the District Branch of State Co-operative Supply and Marketing Federation ; was admitted.

(17) Call Attention Notice (No. 282) given by Com. Kulwant Singh regarding the low prices at which wheat was being sold in the Punjab State in general and Patiala grain market in Patiala particular ; was admitted.

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The Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect of the admitted Call Attention Notices.

Call Attention Notices No. 254, 257, 258, 275, 276 and 284 were not taken up as the members concerned were not present in the House.

IV. Papers laid on the Table

The Chief Minister laid on the Table the Punjab Zila Parishad (Appointment of Secretaries) Rules, 1969, as required under Section 115(4) of the Punjab Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads Act, 1961.

V. Statements laid on the Table

Industries Minister laid statements in reply to Call Attention Notices No. 95, 96, 159, 166, 138, 156, 178 and 198.

VI. Demands for Grants

Demands No. 22, 42, 24, along with the Cut Motions thereon were deemed to have been read and moved and were to be discussed together.

Guillotine to be applied at 12.00 noon (later it was decided to apply the Guillotine at 12.30 P.M.)

Demand No. 22

"That a sum not exceeding Rs 1,69,30,430 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in the course of payment for the year 1969-70 excluding the amount already voted on Account) in respect of charges under head "35—Industries."

Demand No. 42

"That a sum not exceeding Rs 4,66,68,500 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in the course of payment for the year 1969-70 excluding the amount already voted on account) in respect of charges under head "96—Capital Outlay on Industrial and Economic Development."

Demand No. 24

"That a sum not exceeing to Rs 1,49,01,820 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in the course of payment for the year 1969-70 (excluding the amount already voted on Account) in respect of charges under head "38—Labour and Employment."

Three Members from the Opposition, two from the Treasury Benches, one from C.P.I. (R), one from S.S.P. and one C.P.I. (M) spoke for 32 minutes, 19 minutes, 18 minutes, 19 minutes and 15 minutes respectively.

Industries Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 25 minutes and Labour Minister for 5 minutes.

Guillotine was applied at 12.35 P.M.

Cut Motions to demand No. 22 were either, by leave of the House, withdrawn or lost. The Demand was put and carried.

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Demand No. 42 was put and carried.

Cut Motion to Demand No. 24, having been by leave withdrawn, the Demand was carried.

Demands No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 18, 20, 21, 23, 25, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49 and 50 were, by leave of the House, put together and carried.

Walk out

Sardar Kirpal Singh and Shri Gurdial Saini walked out as a protest for not having been given time to speak.

Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 10.42 A.M. to 12.20 P.M.

The Sabha then adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Wednesday, the 16th April, 1969.

BULLETIN No. 22

Wednesday, the 16th April, 1969

(From 9.00 A.M. to 1.10 P.M.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred.

Total No. of Questions on the order paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	No. of Supplementaries
31 (including 6 postponed Questions)	22	4	3	59

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the rules.

II. Question of Privilege

The Speaker did not give his consent to the moving of the Privilege Motion given notice by Sardar Umrao Singh regarding alleged pressure on members of the Congress Party to defect to the Ruling party, on the ground that it was for the Members concerned to raise the issue.

III. Adjournment Motions

(1) Adjournment Motion given notice of Shri Gurdial Saini regarding alleged wrong statement in reply to Call Attention Notice No. 94 was disallowed on the ground that it was not a fit subject for an adjournment motion and moreover according to well-established conventions adjournment motions were not permitted during the Budget Session.

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(2) Adjournment Motion given notice by Ch. Ram Singh and Sardar Santokh Singh, regarding alleged bargain struck in bringing about the defection of a Member was disallowed on the ground that such matters could not be raised through an adjournment motion. Moreover, Adjournment Motions were not allowed during the Budget Session, according to Parliamentary conventions.

IV. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 276) given by Shri Gurjmej Singh, regarding distributary sanctioned from Amritsar Branch of Upper Bari Doab Canal; was admitted.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 278) given by Ch. Satya Dev, regarding visits of Inspectors to shops under the Pure Food Act; was admitted.

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 280) given by Ch. Balbir Singh, regarding report about smuggling of a truck load of cloves in Amritsar; was admitted.

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 286) given by Captain Rattan Singh, regarding forcible possession of land belonging to Gurdwara of Sant Baga Singh in district Ludhiana; was admitted.

(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 287) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and Comrade Babu Singh Master, regarding the police authorities having illegally kept the leaders of Higher Secondary students in Amritsar in police lock-up; was admitted.

(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 289) given by Sardar Mehtab Singh, regarding Sub merging of Rabi Crops as a result of releasing water in Sukkar Nallah through Rajasthan Canal; was admitted.

(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 290) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang, regarding non-payment of bonus for 1967-68 to Roadways employees; was admitted.

(8) Call Attention Notice (No. 291) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and Comrade Babu Singh Master, regarding depriving the tenants on Government land in Naiwala district Patiala of their crops; was admitted.

(9) Call Attention Notice (No. 292) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and Comrade Babu Singh Master, regarding "Dharnas" planned by 200 strong Co-ordination Committee Para-Veterninary Employees Unions; was admitted.

(10) Call Attention Notice (No. 293) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and Comrade Babu Singh Master, regarding arrest of tenants of M/s Hira Nand Hari Krishan, absentee Landlords in Village Jogewala, district Patiala; was admitted.

(11) Call Attention Notice (No. 294) given by Sardar Umrao Singh, regarding non-payment of Government's share of rent of houses allotted to Journalists in Chandigarh; was admitted.

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(12) Call Attention Notice (No. 295) given by H. H. Nawab Iftikhar Ali Khan regarding mis-appropriation of money by the Secretary of the Jamalpura Fertilizer SubDepot at Malerkotla; was admitted.

(13) Call Attention Notice (No. 296) given by Shri Sardari Lal Kapoor, regarding admission to schools in Ludhiana; was admitted.

(14) Call Attention Notice (No. 298) given by Shri Kewal Krishan, regarding shifting of the office dealing with evacuees of area around Talwara Township to Amritsar; was admitted.

(15) Call Attention Notice (No. 299) given by Shri Kewal Krishan, regarding damage to crops in villages situated on the bank of river Beas in Dasuya Tehsil, district Hoshiarpur; was admitted.

(16) Call Attention Notice (No. 300) given by Shri Ram Singh, regarding increase in rates of Sales Tax on foodgrains; was admitted.

(17) Call Attention Notice (No. 301) given by Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi, regarding operations performed in Rajindra Hospital, Patiala; was admitted.

(18) Call Attention Notice (No. 302) given by Com. Darshan Singh Jhabal, and Com. Hardit Singh Bhathal, regarding murders in Police Station Jhabal district Amritsar; was admitted.

The Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect of admitted Call Attention Notices.

V. Statements in Reply to Call Attention Notices..

The Minister for Revenue and Rehabilitation laid on the Table of the House statements in reply to Call Attention Notices No. 125, 135, 177 and 221.

VI. Announcement

By the Secretary—

> "That the East Punjab Holdings (Consolidation and Prevention of Fragmentation) Validation Bill, 1969 passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad on the 15th April, 1969 has been received".

A copy of the Bill was laid on the Table of the House.

VII. The Pepsu Townships Development Board (Amendment) Bill, 1969

Leave to introduce the Bill having been granted, the Chief Minister introduced the Bill

VIII. The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill. 1969

The Bill was introduced by the Finance Minister, who moved that it be taken into consideration at once.

Three Members from the Opposition (Congress), two from the Treasury Benches, one from C.P.I. (M), one from P.S.P. and one from Swatantra Party

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spoke for 52 minutes, 26 minutes, 12 minutes. 15 minutes and 10 minutes, respectively.

The Finance Minister spoke by way of reply for 15 minutes.

IX. Third Report of the Business Advisory Committee.

The Speaker presented the Report and Sardar Gurmit Singh, a member of the Business Advisory Committee, moved—

"That the House agrees with the recommendations contained in the Third Report of the Business Advisory Committee".

The Motion was put and carried.

X. Guillotine

Guillotine was applied at 1.00 p.m.

The Motion—

"That the Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1969 be taken into consideration at once"

was put and carried.

Clauses 2 and 3, the Schedule and the Title were put to vote separately and carried.

The motion that the Bill be passed was put and carried.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 11.38 a.m. to 12.40 p.m.

The Sabha adjourned till 8.30 a.m. on Thursday, the 17th April, 1969.

BULLETIN No. 23

Thursday, the 17th April, 1969

(From 8.30 .am. to 1.30 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred—

Total No of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	No. of Supplementaries
25	15	4	2	61

The remaining Questions were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

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(b) Short Notice Question—1

(c) Unstarred—1

II. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 258) given by Sardar Kirpal Singh Makhewala, regarding the misbehaviour by some influential persons towards Police Officials of Police Station Ghall Khurd, district Ferozepur; was admitted.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 303) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and others, regarding the decision of Municipal Employees Union to start Dharna with effect from 21st April, 1969 to protest against the delay on the part of the State Government in publishing and implementing the Report of the Pay Committee for Municipal Employees; was admitted.

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 304) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and others, regarding the decision of the Cooks and Kharas of Medical and Dental Colleges at Amritsar and Patiala to go on an indefinite strike from 22nd April, 1969; was admitted.

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 305) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and others, regarding the 'Dharna' started by unemployed teachers outside the Vidhan Sabha as a protest against the policy of Government on employment; was admitted.

(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 306) given by Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal, regarding the failure of the Government in framing service Rules for the Lecturers in Government Higher Secondary Schools and the situation arising therefrom; was admitted.

(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 307) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang, regarding the situation created by the decision of P.W.D.)(B&R) employees associations/Unions to direct its members to sit on Dharna on April, 1969 at all District Headquarters; was admitted.

(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 308) given by Com. Dana Ram, regarding the situation arising out of the decision of Co-ordination Committee of Para-Medical and Health employees associations and Unions to join the statewide Dharnas at District Headquarters for accepting the demand of the employees to start negotiations; was admitted.

(8) Call Attention Notice (No. 309) given by Giani Kundan Singh Patang, regarding the too meagre amount paid for food to all the accused arrested by the Police and kept in police custody for investigation; was admitted.

(9) Call Attention Notice (No. 310) given by Giani Kundan Singh Patang, regarding the absence of any bridge on drains between villages Panj Grain and Ganda Singh Wala, Hamidi and Guram and Badhechhee and Kuthala in Sherpur Constituency; was admitted.

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(10) Call Attention Notice (No. 311) given by Ch. Ram Singh, regarding the decision of the officials of the Industries Department and Industrial Training Department to sit in Dharna from 21st April to the 24th April in support of their demands; was admitted.

The Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect of these admitted Call Attention Notices.

III. Statements laid on the Table

The Industries Minister laid on the Table statements in reply to Call Attention Notices No. 82, 147, 161, 175, 176, 202, 207 and 230.

IV. Discussion on the situation arising out of the Announcement regarding the enlargement of the Northern Food Zone

(Two hours from 9.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.)

The discussion was initiated by Sardar Balwant Singh, a member of the Treasury Benches.

One member from the Treasury Benches, two from Opposition (Congress) one from C.P.I. (R), one from S.S.P., one from P.S.P., one from C.P.I. (M) and one Independent member spoke for 17 minutes, 19 minutes, 14 minutes, 14 minutes, 9 minutes, 5 minutes and 5 minutes, respectively.

The Chief Minister expressed his views speaking for 24 minutes.

V. Resolutions

Resumption of discussion on the Resolution moved by Comrade Babu Singh Master on the 10th April, 1969:—

> "This House recommends to the Government that land revenue in the State on holdings of agricultural land not exceeding 10 acres be abolished".

The amendments to the Resolution, notices of which have been received, were deemed to have been moved and discussed along with the Resolution.

Sardar Gurmit Singh, a member from the Treasury Benches, who was on his legs, when the House adjourned on the 10th April, 1969, resumed his speech.

Five members from the Treasury Benches, two from Opposition (Congress) one from Swatantra Party, one from C.P.I. (R) spoke for 63 minutes, 31 minutes, 10 minutes and 16 minutes respectively.

Sardar Shashpal Singh, a member of the Treasury Benches, was still on his legs, when the House adjourned.

Sardar Jasdev Singh, a member of the Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 11.40 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.

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VI. Announcement

By the Secretary—

"Under Rule 2 of the Punjab State Legislature (Communications) Rules, 1959, I have to inform the House that the Punjab Ayurvedic and Unani Practitioners (Amendment) Bill, 1969, passed by the Punab Vidhan Parishad on the 16th April, 1969, has been received.

I also lay a copy of the Bill on the Table of the House."

The Sabha adjourned till 2.00 p.m. on Monday, the 21st April, 1969.

BULLETIN NO. 24

Monday, the 21st April, 1969

(From 2.00 p.m. to 6.10 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) *Starred.*—

Asking of the Starred Questions started with the List of postponed Starrred Questions for 21st April, 1969, and thereafter the regular list of Starred Questions for 21st April, 1969, was taken up.

Total number of Questions on the order Paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	Number of Supplementaries
30	11	..	1	50

The remaining Starred Questions were deemded to have been replied under Rule 45 of the Rules.

(b) *Unstarred.*—10.

II. Questions of Privilege

(1) On the Question of Privilege sought to have been raised by Com. Satya Pal Dang regarding the entry of Police in Punjab Vidhan Bhavan in plain clothes on the 18th March, 1968, the Speaker observed that the incidents referred to in the motion took place more than a year back and were not of recent occurrence. He, therefore, ruled it out of order.

(2) A Question of Privilege was sought to be raised by Sardar Bachan Singh Pakho (Congress) regarding the alleged pressure used on him to defect to the Akali Party.

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Consent to move the Question of Privilege was given to the hon. Member and he was permitted to make a brief statement. Thirty-two members stood in favour of leave being granted to refer the matter to the Committee of Privileges.

III. Adjournment Motions

Two Adjournment Motions , one sought to be moved by Sardar Sarup Singh and Sardar Umrao Singh and the other by SardarTrilochan Singh Riasti regarding the alleged brutal attack made on Shri R.S. Aneja, S.D.O., Electricity, was ruled out of order by the Speaker on the ground that the motion related to an individual case and was an ordinary matter of Administation of law for which other remedies were available. Moreover, a Call Attention Notice on the subject was being admitted.

IV. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice No. (312) given by Com. Babu Singh, Com. Satya Pal Dang and Com. Kulwant Singh, regarding acute discontentment amongst the B.A., B.Ed. trained teachers as for the last 5 years none of them had been taken into sevice; was admitted.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 314) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang, Com. Babu Singh, Com. Kulwant Singh and Com. Dana Ram, regarding the resentment amongst the Punjab Roadways Workers of Pathankot Depot due to ill-treatment and indiscriminate suspensions of active workers of the Union; was admitted.

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 315) given by Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi regarding the free travelling of employees of the Police, Transport, Revenue and Excise and Taxation Departments in Government and Private buses; was admitted.

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 317) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang, Com. Kulwant Singh and Com. Dana Ram, regarding the acute discontentment prevailing amongst the employees of the Canal Department as a result of the non-confirmation of any employee of the Department since 1960; was admitted.

(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 318) given by Sardar Umrao Singh and Sardar Lachhman Singh regarding the irregularities committed in the appointment of Sub-Inspectors in the Food and Supplies Department, Punjab, was admitted.

(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 319) given by Chaudhri Balbir Singh, regarding the illegal gratification extorted from the people and bogus allotment of evacuee land in Kandi area of tehsil Hoshiarpur; was admitted.

(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 320) given by Chaudhri Balbir Singh, regarding the unauthorised occupation of Government land in village Adoaal Garhi, tehsil Hoshiarpur; was admitted.

(8) Call Attention Notice (No. 321) given by Com. Darshan Singh and S. Balbir Singh regarding the failure of the officials of Pepsu Road Transport Corporation to pick up Pass-holders on Rajpura-Chandigarh route in 'particular and on Patiala-Chandigarh route in general; was admitted.

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(9) Call Attention Notice (No. 323) given by Sardar Dalip Singh regarding the Government buildings, shops and quarters let out to private individuals was admitted.

(10) Call Attention Notice (No. 325) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang regarding acute discontentment that has arisen amongst the staff members (teachers and non-teachers) of 25 High and Higher Secondary Schools which were being run by private managements but had been taken over by the Government during the year 1966-67; was admitted.

The Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect of ad nitted Call Attention Notices.

V. Statement laid on the Table

The Industries Minister laid statements in reply to Call Attention Notices Nos. 3, 34, 63, 77, 155, 157, 201, 214, 218, 229, 236, 240, 243 and 281.

VI. Questions on replies to Call Attention Notices.

The member concerned was permitted to ask question on and reply to Call Attention Notice (No. 34) and reply given.

VII. Announcement

By the Secretary—

"Under Rule 2 of the Punjab State Legislature (Communications) Rules, 1959, I have to inform the House that the Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1969 which was passed by the Vidhan Sabha on the 16th April, 1969, and transmitted to the Punjab Vidhan Parishad for recommendations, has been agreed to by the said Vidhan Parishad without any recommendation on the 18th April, 1969."

VIII. Papers laid on the Table

The Finance Minister laid on the table—

(i) The Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1967-68 and Audit Report, 1969.

(ii) The Second Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Agro-Industries Corporation Limited for the year ended 31st May, 1968, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.

IX. Legislative Business

(i) The Punjab Ayurvedic and Unani Practitioners (Amendment) Bill, 1969.

The Chief Minister moved that the Punjab Ayurvedic and Unani Practitioners (Amendment) Bill, 1969, as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad be taken into consideration at once.

Two members from the Opposition (Congress), one from the P.S.P. and one from S.S.P. spoke for 8 minutes, 2 minutes and one minute, respectively.

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The Chief Minister made a few observations. The Bill was then considered clause by clause. Clauses 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, Clause 1 and Title were put and carried and the Bill was passed .

(2) The East Punjab Holdings (Consolidation and Prevention of Fragmentation) Validation Bill, 1969.

The Revenue Minister moved that the East Punjab Holdings (Consolidation and Prevention of Fragmentation) Validation Bill as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad, be taken into consideration at once.

Two members from Opposition one from Treasury Benches, one from S.S.P. spoke for 7 minutes, 5 minutes and 2 minutes, respectively.

The Revenue Minister made a few observations for 1 minute.

The motion was put and carried. The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

CLAUSE 2

Amendments to clause 2 were put and lost. The Clause was carried. Clause 1 and Title were carried. The motion that the Bill be passed was put and carried.

(3) The Punjab Legislative Assembly (Allowances of Members) Amendment Bill, 1969.

The Finance Minister introduced the Bill and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

One member from the C.P. (R) four from the Opposition, one from C.P.(M), two from the Treasury Benches and one from the P.S.P. spoke for 9 minutes, 8 minutes, 3 minutes, 9 minutes and 1 minute respectively.

The Chief Minister made a few observations. The motion was put and carried. The Bill was then considered Clause by Clause.

CLAUSE 2

Two Members from the Opposition, one from the S.S.P., one from C.P.(R) spoke for 8 minutes, 2 minutes and 5 minutes respectively.

The Clause was put and carried.

Clause 1 and Title were put and carried, and the Bill was passed.

4. The Punjab Legislative Council (Allowances of Members) Amendment Bill, 1969.

The Finance Minister introduced the Bill and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was put and carried.

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The Bill was then considered Clause by Clause.

Clause 2, Clause 1 and the Title was carried and Bill was passed.

5. The Land Acquisition (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1969.

The Revenue Minister with a few observations moved that the Land Acquisition (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1969 be taken into consideration at once.

One Member from C.P. (R) and two from the Opposition spoke for 4 minutes and two minutes respectively.

The motion was put and carried and the Bill was then taken into consideration Clause by Clause.

Sub Clause (2) of Clause 1 was carried. Amendment to clause 2 was, by leave, withdrawn. The Clause was put and carried. Clause 1 and Title were put and carried and the Bill was passed.

6. The Pepsu Townships Development Board (Amendment) Bill, 1969.

The Chief Minister moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

One Member from S.S.P. spoke for 3 minutes.

The Chief Minister made a few observations. The motion was put and carried.

The Bill was then considered clause by Clause. Clause 2 Clause 1 and the Title were put and carried, and the Bill was passed.

X. Official Resolution under Article 252 of the Constitution of India.

The Chief Minister, with a few observations moved that—

"Whereas the Punjab Agricultural University constituted under the Punjab Agricultural University Act, 1961, is serving the needs of the successor States within the meaning of section 72 of the Punjab Reorganisation Act, 1966;

And wheras, it is intended that provision should be made by Law to dissolve the operation of the existing Punjab Agricultural University in the State of Punjab, to set up a separate Agricultural University for the State of Punjab, for vesting the rights and liabilities of the dissolved University in the University to be so set up and for all other matters connected therewith or incidental thereto;

And whereas legislation for the purpose mentioned above is relatable to matters enumerated in entries 11 and 32 of List II in the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution of India with respect to which Parliament has no power to make a law for the State except as provided in Articles 249 and 250 thereof;

And whereas, it appears to this Assembly to be desirable that such legislation should be undertaken by Parliament ;

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Now, therefore, in pursuance of clause (1) of Article 252 of the Constitution of India, this Assembly hereby resolves that Parliament shall by law make provision for the dissolution of the aforesaid University, Punjab Agricultural University in relation to the State of Punjab for vesting the rights and liabilities of the University so dissolved in the University to be so set up and for all other matters connected therewith or incidental thereto."

Two Members from the Opposition, one from P.S.P., one from C.P.(R) and one from S.S.P.spoke for 5 minutes, 2 minutes, 2 minutes and 3 minutes respectively.

The motion was put and carried unanimously.

XI. Points of personal explanation

S. Gurmit Singh, a member from the Treasury Benches gave a personal explanation on the remarks made about him by Comrade Satya Pal Dang

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 5.45 P.M. to 6.10 P.M.

The Sabha then adjourned till 2.00 P.M. on Tuesday, the 22nd April, 1969.

BULLETIN No. 25

Tuesday, the 22nd April, 1969

(From 2.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred.

Asking of Questions started with the supplementaries to starred question No. 387 on the List of starred Questions for 21st April, 1969 and threreafter the list of starred Questions for 22nd April, 1969 was taken up.

Total No. of Questions on the order paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	No. of Supplementaries
25	16	2	..	82

The remaining Starred Questions were deemed to have been replied under Rule 45 of the Rules.

(b) Short Notice Question.—1

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II. Questions of Privilege

(a) On the Question of privilege sought to be raised by Sardar Tarlochan Singh Riyasti regarding alleged defections of the Congress M.L.A. effected with the encouragement of the Chief Minister, the Speaker observed that neither the Question of defection could become the basis of Privilege Motion nor could the conduct of the Chief Minister be discussed through a Privilege Motion. Since no question of Privilege was involved, the motion was ruled out of order.

(b) Regarding the Question of Privilege sought to be raised by Sardar Kirpal Singh Makhewal (Congress) alleging pressure being used by Police Officers to force him to defect, the Speaker before giving his decision, invited the member to see him in his Chamber.

III. Adjournment Motion

The Adjournment Motion sought to be moved by Sardar Tarlochan Singh Riyasti regarding the attack made on some employees of the Co-operative Mortgage Bank, Bhatinda, was ruled out of order by the Speaker as the matter sought to be raised related to an ordinary matter of administration of law for which legal remedies were available.

IV. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notices (No. 326) by Chaudhri Balbir Singh regarding the alleged murderous assault made on Shri R.S. Arneja, S.D. O. Electricity; was admited.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 329) given by Sardar Santokh Singh regarding the situation caused due to the decision of the Punjab Government to occupy land situated on the other side of river Ravi, near Dera Baba Nanak and to hand it over to Forest Department ; was admitted.

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 331) given by Sardar Kirpal Singh regarding great resentment prevailing amongst private school teachers over the indiscriminate termination of the services of many teachers wihout the prior approval of the D.P.I. ; was admitted.

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 332) given by Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal and Jathedar Hardit Singh Bhathal regarding the non-allotment of land to be uprooted persons in lieu of the land acquired from them for Rajasthan Canal Project in 65 villages ; was admitted.

(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 333) given by Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal and Jathedar Hardit Singh Bhathal regarding the agitation started by the agricultural labourers of Birla Farm in support of increase in their wages and other demands ; was admited.

(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 334) given by Shri Kewal Krishan regarding the serious situation caused due to the area from villages Chak Shero, Chak Kalan etc. in police station Mukerian to the Southern Bank of river Beas having become a Cold Sea ; was admitted.

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(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 335) given by Sardar Kartar Singh regarding the high-handedness of the Employment Department, District Hoshiarpur Branch where the unemployed persons going to that office have to pay hundreds of rupees to the officials concerned to get their names recommended ; was admitted.

(8) Call Attention Notice (No. 336) given by Sardar Dalip Singh regarding the damage caused to the Narwana Branch of Bhakra Main Line as the contractors had used inferior quality of material ; was admitted.

V. Statements Laid on the Table

The Industries Minister laid on the Table statements in reply to Call Attention Notices No. 103, 113, 132, 152, 160, 188, 191, 203, 204, 205, 209, 212, 220, 225, 242, 255, 262 and 273.

VI. Discussion on the Punjab Pay Commission Report, 1967-68.

One Member from the C.P. (R), one from S.S.P, two from the Opposition Congress), three from the Treasury Benches, one from C.P. (M), one Independent Member, one Member from P.S.P. and one from Swatantra Party spoke for 18 minutes, 10 minutes, 30 minutes, 30 minutes, 10 minutes, 10 minutes, 10 minutes and 5 minutes respectively.

The Finance Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 25 minutes.

WALK-OUT

S. Beant Singh, an Independent Member, walked out as a protest against not having been given time to speak.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 4.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.

The Sabha then adjourned till 2.00 P.M. on Wednesday, the 23rd April, 1969.

BULLETIN NO. 26

Wednesday, the 23rd April, 1969

(From 2.00 p.m to 7.00 p.m.)

I. Questions

Asking of Questions started with the list of Postponed Starred Questions for 23rd April, 1969 and thereafter the regular list for the 23rd April, 1969, was taken up.

(a) Starred.

Total No. of Questions on the order paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	Number of Supplementaries
28	8	4	..	44

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The remaining Questions on the order paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

(b) Unstarred 14.

II. Questions of Privilege

Sardar Umrao Singh sought to raise a Question of Privilege alleging that the Finance Minister, in reply to part (d) of Starred Question No. 125 of the hon. Member by giving wrong information had affected the privilege of a Member. The Speaker ruled the motion out of order observing that an incorrect statement by a Minister could not be made the basis of a Privilege Motion.

III. Adjournment Motions.

(1) The adjournment motion sought to be moved by Dr. Amir Singh Kalkat regarding the purchase of molasses by the Punjab Government to which serious objection had been taken in the Audit Report of the Comptroller and Audit General of India for the year 1968-69 was ruled out of order on the ground that the Report was to be considered by the Public Accounts Committee, whose recommendations would come before the House in due course.

(2) the Adjournment motion sought to be moved by Dr. Amrir Singh Kalkat regarding the funds earmarked for 'Chaupals' and 'Dharamsalas' in the State was ruled out of order holding that the matter sought to be raised was not of urgent public importance which could be discussed on an Adjournment Motion and the Member had ample opportunities to discuss it earlier during the discussion of Budget.

IV. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 338) given by Ch. Ram Singh and Sardar Santokh Singh regarding the alleged ebezzlement of Rs 2½ lakhs made by the Co operative Marketing-cum-Processing Society Ltd., Batala, ; was admitted

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 341) given by Ch. Ram Singh and Sardar Santokh Singh regarding the arrest of one Amrik Singh Duggal, Inspector, Agriculture Department, Moga, in a seed Scandal in which a sum of Rs 36 thousand was involved; was admitted.

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 347) given by Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi regarding the harassment of Government Transport employees at Ludhiana Bus Stand by Private Bus Operators ; was admitted.

The Minister concerned was asked to make statements in respect of these admitted Call Attention Notices.

The Call Attention Notice No. 339 was not put as the hon. Member concerned was not present in the House.

V. Statement on Call Attention Notice

The Chief Minister gave a statement on the Call Attention Notice No. 326 given by Ch. Balbir Singh, regarding the attack made on Shri R.S. Arneja, S.D.O. (Electricity).

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One Question each was allowed to be asked by Ch. Balbir Singh and Sardar Tarlochan Singh Riyasti on the statement given by the Chief Minister and replies given.

VI. Statements Laid on the Table

The Industries Minister laid on the Table statements in reply to Call Attention Notices No. 171, 239 and 309.

VII. Discussion on the Reports of the Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.

After taking the sense of the House, it was decided to discuss together the Fourteenth and Sixteenth Reports of the Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes for the year 1964-65 and 1966-67, which were laid on the Table of the House on the 26th March, 1969 and the Thirteenth and Fifteenth Reports of the Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes for the years 1963-64 and 1965-66, which were laid on the Table of the House on the 3rd April, 1969.

The Discussion was initiated by Com. Dana Ram C.P.I. (R).

Five Members from opposition (Congress) four from the Treasury Benches, one from C.P.I. (R) one from C.P.I. (M) one from PSP and one from Swatantra Party spoke for 1 hour and 11 minutes, 59 minutes, 25 minutes 15 minutes, 10 minutes and 10 minutes respectively.

EXTENSION OF TIME

On a suggestion made and after taking the sense of the House, the Speaker extended the time of the sitting by half an hour (up to 7 p.m.).

Sardar Shashpal Singh, a member of the Panel of Chairmen occupied the Chair from 3.50 p.m. to 5.10 p.m. and again from 5.50 p.m to 7.00 p.m.

At 5.10 p.m. Sardar Shashpal Singh, occupying the Chair wanted to go out for a short while and as there was no other member of the Panel of Chairmen present in the House, H.H. Nawab Iftikhar Ali Khan occupied the Chair under Article 180 (2) of the Constitution of India.

The House then adjourned till 2.00 P.M. on Thursday, the 24th April, 1969

BULLETIN NO. 27

Thursday, the 24th April, 1969

(From 2.00 P.M. to 5.40 P.M.)

I. Questions

Total No. of Questions on the order Paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	No. of Supplementaries
25	8	3	..	53

Unstarred : 8

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II. Question of Privilege

Consent to the Question of Privilege sought to be raised by Sardar Tarlochan Singh Riyasti regarding the threatening behaviour of Sardar Harbhagwan Singh, Ex. M.L.A. in front of the office Room of the Chief Minister, Punjab in the precincts of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha which had affected the privilege of a Member of the House and should be referred to the Committee of Privileges was given by the Speaker and the hon. member was requested to ask for leave of the House. As 41 Members stood in favour of leave being granted, the Speaker declared that leave was granted and the motion stoud referred to the Committee of Privileges.

III. Adjournment Motions

(1) Adjournment Motion sought to be moved by Sardar Umrao Singh regarding the state-wide resentment amongst the employees of the Punjab State Electricity Board due to the failure of the authorities to arrest the culprits who had assaulted Shri R.S. Aneja, S.D.O. (Electricity) at Jaitu on 19th April, 1969 and their reported threat of shutting down the supply of Electricity throughout the State, was ruled out of order by the Speaker observing that the Chief Minister had already made a statement in the House and had assured the House of full protection to the employees, Moreover, the motion did not fulfil the conditions of admissibility.

(2) The Adjournment motion sought to be raised by Sardar Santokh Singh regarding the alleged deterioration of Law and Order situation in Amritsar the arrest of Congress workers and the fabrication of cases against them, was ruled out of order by the Speaker on the ground that the arrest of a few individuals did not mean deterioration of Law and Order situation and in case the arrests were unlawful legal remedies could be taken by the agrieved party.

Walk-out

Points of order and counter points of order were raised regarding the facts of the adjournment motion sought to be moved by Sardar Umrao Singh and the ruling given thereon, the entire Opposition (Congress Party), led by Capt. Rattan Singh, Deputy leader of the Party walked out of the House as a mark of protest.

The Chief Minister made a statement in connection with the points raised by the members in connection with the adjournment motion.

IV. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 339) given by H.H. Nawab Iftikhar Ali Khan regarding the bifurcation of Punjab Wakf Board ; was admitted.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 348) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and others regarding the acute discontentment prevailing amongst hundreds of worker tenants of the Labour Colony opposite Amritsar Sugar Mills, Chheharta in particular and the working class of the area in general because of the failure of the P.W.D. authorities to provide street lights in the internal streets of the Colony ; was admitted.

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 355) given by Ch. Satya Dev regarding the ruination of the farmers at the tails of the canals due to cuts made in the canals in the Abohar Division ; was admitted.

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Call Attention Notice No. 349, 350 and 356 could not be taken up as the members having given notice thereof were not present in the House.

The Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect of admitted Call Attention Notices.

V. Statement laid on the Table

The Industries Minister laid on Table statements in reply to Call Attention Notices No. 241, 270 and 282.

VI. Paper laid on the Table

The Industries Minister laid on the Table the 2nd Annual Report of the Punjab State Industrial Development Corporation Limited for the year 1967-68, as required under Section 619A(3) of the Companies Act, 1956."

VII. Official Resolution under Article 169 of the Constitution of India :

The Chief Minister moved that—

"(1) Whereas Clause (1) of Article 169 of the Constitution provides that notwithstanding anything in Article 168, Parliament may by law provide for the abolition of the Legislative Council of a State having a Council, if the Legislative Assembly of the State passes a resolution to that effect by a majority of the total membership of the Assembly and by a majority of not less than two-thirds of the members of the Assembly present and voting ;

And whereas it appears to this Assembly that it is desirable to abolish the Legislative Council of this State ;

Now, therefore, this Assembly resolves that the Punjab Legislative Council be abolished.

(2) This House recommends that Parliament be pleased to direct that the Law which it may make in this behalf shall take effect from the date when the President of India gives his assent after the Parliament has passed necessary Legislation."

Amendment to the Resolution was withdrawn by the hon. member Sardar Kirpal Singh, on the observation made by the hon. Speaker that the proposed amendment sought to amend the provisions of the Constitution.

Two Members from S.S.P., one from Swatantra Party, one from P.S.P. one from C.P.I. (M), one from C.P.I. (R), and one Independent participated in the discussion and spoke for 5 minutes, 6 minutes, 2 minutes, 3 minutes, 3 minutes and 3 minutes respectively.

The Chief Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 7 minutes. Thereafter, the decision of the House was taken on the Resolution. Since it was a Constitutional matter, the Speaker observed that division should be recorded. Division bells were rung and Members were asked to go to the lobbies. All the 67 members present in the House recorded their votes in favour of the Resolution. There was no vote against it. The Resolution was, therefore, declared carried.

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VIII. Discussion on the Financial Review of the working of Pepsu Road Transport Corporation, Patiala during the year 1965-66 :

Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi initiated the discussion.

Three Members from the Treasury Benches, one from C.P.I. (R), one from S.S.P. spoke for 32 minutes, 12 minutes and 6 minutes respectively.

The Chief Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 5 minutes.

At 5.12 P.M. lack of Quorum was reported in the House. Bells were rung and there was Quorum.

Sardar Jasdev Singh, a member of the Panel of Chairmen occupied the Chair from 5.00 P.M. to 5.40 P.M.

The House then adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Friday, the 25th April, 1969.

BULLETIN NO. 28

Friday the 25th April, 1969 (Morning Sitting)

(From 9.00 a.m. to 12.55 P.M.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred.

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	Number of Supplementaries
25	7	..	2	35

The remaining Starred Questions were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

(b) Unstarred 17.

Short Notice Question 1.

III Adjournment Motion

An adjournment motion regarding the assault on an S.D.O. (Electricity) at Jaitu given notice of by Comrade Satya Pal Dang was ruled out of order by the Speaker as a similar motion had been disallowed by him on 24th April, 1969.

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III. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 357) given by Chaudhri Jagat Ram and Comrade Kulwant Singh, regarding filling up of some posts sanctioned by the Government for the conduct of the fourth general election to Panchayat in the office of Director of Panchayats Punjab ; was admitted.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 358) given by Shri Roop Lal Sathi regarding the dilapidated condition of the road constructed from Moga to Charhik ; was admitted.

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 359) given by Shri Roop Lal Sathi, regarding the raid conducted on behalf of the High Court on Bagha Purana Police Station on 21st August, 1968 when some persons were found kept under illegal confinement by the Sub-Inspector, Sajan Singh, etc.; was admitted.

(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 360) given by Sardar Sarup Singh regarding the lack of drinking water due to sinking of the only tubewell provided for the purpose in Mohalla Abadpura, Jullundur City; was admitted.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 361) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang, regarding the failure of the Government to make payments of stipends to trainees of I.T.I. Mahilpur district Hoshiarpur for 5 months was admitted.

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 362) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang regarding the opening of a Wine Shop very near Gurdwara Pipli Sahib Putlighar, Amritsar as also very near a temple, a hospital and the office of trade Union ; was admitted.

(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 363) given by Shri Roop Lal Sathi, regarding the continuation of the Chief Engineer, Drainage, Punjab on that post for the last 10 years in violation of the Rules, ; was admitted.

(8) Call Attention Notice (No. 366) given by Shri Kewal Krishan regarding the deplorable condition of the Shah Nehr in Sub-Tehsil, Mukerian in the absence of its own permanent headwork ; was admitted.

(9) Call Attention Notice (No. 337) given by Shri Kewal Krishan, regarding the non-supply of water to several hilly villages of Punjab known as Darera Area, which are supplied drinking water through pipes from village Bhader Kali, situated in Himachal ; was admitted.

(10) Call Attention Notice (No. 368) given by Sardar Darshan Singh, K. P., regarding non provision of land for cremation grounds, dumping of manure and ' Firnies' in the Garden colonies in Jullundur District was admitted.

(11 Call Attention Notice (No. 369) given by Dr. Amir Singh Kalkat regarding the payment of lower rate by Bhogpur Co-operative Sugar Mills for the Sugar cane supplied to it ; was admitted.

(12) Call Attention Notice (No. 372) given by Sardar Kirpal Singh regarding injustice done to the temporary employees with less than one year's service by regularisation of the services of the Punjab Government employees with one year's service ; was admitted.

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The Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect of these admitted Call Attention Notices.

IV. Statements laid on the Table

The Industries Minister laid on the Table statements in reply to Call Attention Notices Nos. 172, 184, 190, 245, 251, 258, 277, 279, 301, 303, 304 and 318.

V. No Confidence Motion under Rule 65

The Speaker observed that he had received notices of two No "Confidence Motions" one from Captain Rattan Singh and Sardar Umrao Singh and the other from Chaudhri Ram Singh and Sardar Santokh Singh. The first motion, which is identical to the second one, reads :

> "That this House expresses its want of confidence in the Ministry as a whole".

The motion was held in order and the members in favour of leave being granted were asked to rise in their seats. As 28 members stood in favour, the leave was granted.

The Speaker declared that he had decided under Sub rule (3) of Rule 65 read with Rules 15 and 28 of the Rules that a second sitting will be held today from 2.30 p.m to 6.00 p.m. to discuss the motion. There will be no Question Hour in that sitting.

VI. Question of Privilege

Regarding the Question of Privilege sought to be raised by Comrade Satya Pal Dang regarding announcement of the decision of the Government on the Report of the Municipal Pay Committee in the Vidhan Parishad before it was done in the Vidhan Sabha, the Speaker observed that no breach of privilege was involved. It would, however, be appropriate if such reports were laid before both the Houses simultaneously and the Government will pay due attention to this point.

VII. Motion Regarding the Appointment of an *Adhoc* Committee

Sardar Balwant Singh moved :—

> "That notwithstanding the provisions of the Rules relating to the Committee on Privileges an *Ad hoc* Committee consisting of the following members of this House be appointed to enquire into the matter relating to the entry of Police/outsiders in the House on the 18th March, 1968, and beating of certain M.L.As. with instructions to report to the House within four months as to what action should be taken against the Police officials/outsiders involved in the matter and to check the recurrence of such incidents :—

1. Brig. Bikaramjit Singh Bajwa, Deputy Speaker..Chairman.
2. Major Harinder Singh, M.L.A. ..Leader of the Opposition.

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3. Comrade Satya Pal Dang, M.L.A.
4. Sardar Gurmit Singh, M.L.A. and;
5. Sardar Shashpal Singh, M.L.A.

The Rules relating to Committees as far as possible shall apply to this *Ad hoc* Committee.

The motion was put.

There were points of order questioning the admissibility of the motion.

(Owing to lot of noise and disorderly scenes in the House, the Sabha was adjourned at 11.05 minutes for 15 minutes).

When the House re-assembled at 11.20 a.m. points of Order were raised questioning the admissiblity of the motion on the ground that despite the Rule relating to the provision of a Committee of Privileges an *Ad hoc* Committee was sought to be set up. Secondly, under Rule 78 of the Rules, of Procedure at least 7 clear days" notice had to be given in writing for such a motion. Thirdly, a private Member could not move a motion on a day ear marked for transaction of Government business.

The Speaker ruled out the objections observing that no rule had been suspended. The motion was "fully comprehensive". The House could set up special Committees, for which there were precedents and the Speaker in his discretion under provision to Rule 78 could allow a motion to be moved at a shorter notice or without notice.

The Motion was held in order and again put to the vote of the House. The members were asked to rise in their seats and the motion was declared carried.

At 12.55 p.m. the House was adjourned 5 minutes earlier due to disorder and noisy scenes in the House.

PERSONAL EXPLANATIONS

Personal explanations were made by Captain Rattan Singh and Sardar Gurmit Singh about the remarks made about each other.

The House then adjourned till 2.30 *p.m. the same day.*

BULLETIN NO. 29

Friday, the 25th April, 1969

(*2nd Sitting*)

(From 2.30 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.)

I. Motion under Rule 16 :

The Chief Minister moved that—

"The Assembly at its rising this day shall stand andjourned *sine die.*"

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One Member from the S.S.P., two from the Opposition (Congress), one from the C.P.I. (R), spoke for 13 minutes, 31 minute and 3 minutes respectively.

The Chief Minister made a few observations.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House. The hon. Members were asked to rise in their seats.

The motion was declared carried.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

The Chief Minister made a personal explanation in regard to some remarks made about him by Master Gurbanta Singh.

II. Paper Laid on the Table

The Chief Minister laid on the Table a copy of the Demands of the Prisoners of Ferozepore Jail.

III. No onfidence Motion under Rule 65

The mover of the motion Captain Rattan Singh initiated the discussion on—

"This House expresses its want of confidence in the Ministry as a whole."

Six members from Opposition, one from C.P.I. (R) one from P.S.P., one from Treasury Benches, one from Swatantra Party and one from S.S.P. spoke for 2 hours and 27 minutes, 20 minutes, 11 minutes, 25 minutes, 15 minutes and 20 minutes respectively.

The Chief Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 20 minutes and the mover of the motion, Captain Rattan Singh, for 15 minutes.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and declared lost.

IV. Announcements

By the Speaker—

Under rule 254 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly, I nominate the following to serve on the Rules Committee :—

1. The Speaker—*ex-officio Chairman.*
2. Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal.
3. Shri Gurdial Saini.
4. Sardar Jasdev Singh Sandhu.
5. Sardar Manjinder Singh Behla.
6. Sardar Mohinder Singh Babehali.
7. Captain Rattan Singh.
8. Sardar Tara Singh Lyallpuri.

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2. Under rule 265-B of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly I nominate the following Members to serve on the Committee on Subordinate Legislation for the year, 1969-70 :—

1. Sardar Surjit Singh (Barnala).
2. Sardar Bachan Singh Pakho.
3. Sardar Balbir Singh Banur.
4. Shri Kewal Krishan.
5. Sardar Parshotam Singh.
6. Sardar Randhir Singh Cheema.
7. Sardar Umrao Singh.
8. The Advocate-General.

Under rule 265 C of the Rules I appoint Sardar Surjit Singh (Barnala), as the Chairman of the Committee.

3. Under Rule 261(1) and (2) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly, I nominate the following Members of the Assembly to serve on the Committee on Government Assurances for the year 1969-70 :—

1. Bhagat Guran Dass Hans.
2. Comrade Babu Singh Master.
3. Shri Bal Mukand.
4. Sardar Gurdip Singh Shaheed.
5. Sardar Gurmej Singh.
6. Bawa Harnam Singh.
7. H. H. Nawab Iftikhar Ali Khan.
8. Sardar Partap Singh.
9. Sardar Santokh Singh.

Under Rule 262(1), I appoint Bhagat Guran Dass Hans as its Chairman.

4. Under Rule 266 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly, I nominate the following members by the Assembly to serve on the Library Committee for the financial year, 1969-70 :—

1. Sardar Raja Singh—*Chairman.*
2. Dr. Amir Singh Kalkat.
3. Chaudhri Balbir Singh.
4. Sardar Hari Singh (Beas).
5. Sardar Karam Singh.
6. Chaudhri Radha Krishan.

Chaudhri Balbir Singh, however, stood up in the House and announced that he withdrew his name from the Committee.

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5. Under Rule 274 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly, I nominate the following to serve on the Committee of Privileges :—

1. Sardar Jasdev Singh Sandhu.
2. Sardar Basant Singh (Dakala).
3. Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi.
4. Sardar Harcharan Singh Brar.
5. Giani Kundan Singh Patang.
6. Kanwar Lajinder Singh Bedi.
7. Sardar Mohinder Singh Sayanwala.
8. Sardar Ravel Singh.
9. Sardar Shashapal Singh.
10. Sardar Surjit Singh Atwal.

Under Rule 275 of the Rules, I appoint Sardar Jasdev Singh Sandhu as the Chairman of this Committee.

6. Under Rule 293(1) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly, I nominate the following Members to serve on the Committee on Petitions for the Budget Session, 1969 of the Vidhan Sabha :—

1. Brig. Bikramjit Singh Bajwa (Deputy Speaker)—*ex-officio Chairman*
2. Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda.
3. Sardar Naurang Singh.
4. Sardar Pritam Singh (Samana).
5. Sardar Ravel Singh.

7. Under Rule 250 (7)(a) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly, I hereby appoint Sardar Shashpal Singh as the Chairman of the Public Accounts Committee for the year, 1969-70.

8. Under Rule 252(5)(a) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly, I hereby appoint Sardar Teja Singh as the Chairman of the Committee on Estimates for the year, 1969-70.

V. Announcements

By the Secretary—

1. Under Rule 2 of the Punjab State Legislature (Communications) Rules, 1959, I have to inform the House that the following Bills which were passed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on the 21st April, 1969, and transmitted to the Punjb Vidhan Parishad on the same day for its recommendations have been agreed to by the said Vidhan Parishad without any recommendation on the 23rd and 24th April, 1969 :—

1. The Land Acquisition (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1969.

2. The Punjab Legislative Assembly (Allowances of Members) Amendment Bill, 1969 :—

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3. The Punjab Legislative Council (Allowances of Members) Amendment Bill, 1969.

4. The Pepsu Townships Development Board (Amendment) Bill, 1969.

2. Under Rule 2 of the Punjab State Legislature (Communications) Rules, 1959, I have to inform the House that the Punjab Vidhan Parishad, at its meetings held on the 23rd and 24th April, 1969, has concurred in the motion carried in the meeting of the Vidhan Sabha held on the 24th March, 1969, about nominating members of the Punjab Vidhan Parishad to associate with the Public Accounts Committee and the Estimates Committee of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha for the year, 1969-70.

The Punjab Vidhan Parishad has nominated the following of its members to associate with the said Committees :—

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

1. Sardar Rajinder Singh.
2. Sardar Ramdayal Singh.
3. Shri Murari Lal Kapoor.

ESTIMATES COMMITTEE

1. Dr. Shyam Lal Thapar.
2. Jathedar Jiwan Singh Umranangal.
3. Shri Gopal Krishan Chatrath.

EXTENSION OF THE SITTING

The sitting originally fixed to be held upto 6.00 P.M. was first extended up to 7.00 P.M., then 7.45 P.M. and finally up to 8.00 P.M.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 3.25 P.M. to 5.15 P.M.

The House then adjourned sine die.

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PREFACE

The following pages contain Resume of Business transacted by the Fifth Vidhan Sabha during its second Session held in October-November, 1969, together with the bulletins issued daily after the adjournment of each sitting of the Sabha.

It is hoped that the publication would be found useful by the Members and others who may wish to know in detail what work was done each day by the Vidhan Sabha in this Session.

Any suggestion for the improvement of this publication in future would be very gratefully welcomed.

Chandigarh :

The 11th February, 1970.

KRISHEN SWAROOP,

Secretary.

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SUMMONING, SITTINGS AND PROROGATION OF THE FIFTH VIDHAN SABHA DURING ITS SECOND (AUTUMN) SESSION, 1969

The Fifth Punjab Vidhan Sabha was summoned to meet for its Second (Autumn) Session, 1969, in the Hall of the Punjab Vidhan Bhavan, Chandigarh, onTuesday, the 21st October, 1969, by an Order of the Governor, dated the 11th October, 1969, and continued to meet till the 6th November, 1969, when it was adjourned *sine die.* Under the second proviso to rule 16 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly, the Vidhan Sabha was again called by the Speaker to meet on Wednesday, the 26th November, 1969 and it was adjourned *sine die* the same day. It was later prorogued by an Order of the Governor, dated the 10th December, 1969. During the Session, the Sabha held 13 sittings.

PROGRAMME OBSERVED BY THE FIFTH VIDHAN SABHA DURING ITS SECOND (AUTUMN) SESSION, 1969, FROM THE 21ST OCTOBER, TO 26TH NOVEMBER, 1969

Date	Programme
21st October, 1969 (from 2.00 p.m. to 3.15 p.m.)	1. References to the deaths of— (i) Dr. Zakir Hussain, President of India . (ii) Sardar Lachhman Singh Gill, Ex-Chief Minister, Punjab. (iii) Sardar Kartar Singh Qaumi, M.L.C. (iv) Chaudhri Jagdish Chander, M.L.A., Haryana Vidhan Sabha. (v) Sardar Pritam Singh, Sidhu, Ex-M.L.A. (vi) Prof. Humayun Kabir, Ex-M.P. and former Union Minister. (vii) Dr. P.N. Sapru, Ex-M.P. (viii) Baba Karam Singh Chima, Veteran Revolutionary. (ix) Dr. Ho Chi-Minh, President of North Vietnam. 2. Adjournment of the House as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased
22nd October, 1969 (from 9 a.m. to 1.07 p.m.)	1. Presentation and adoption of the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee. 2. The Punjab Official Language (Amendment) Bill,1969.

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Date	Programme
	3. The Punjab Public Premises and Land (Eviction and Rent Recovery) Amendment Bill, 1969. 4. The Punjab State Aid to Industries (Amendment) Bill, 1969.
23rd October, 1969 (from 9.00 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.	.. 1. Resolution for election of one member of the Public Accounts Committee— "That the members of this House do proceed to elect in the manner as required by Rule 250(5) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly one member from among themselves to serve on the Public Accounts Committee for the unexpired period of 1969-70 in the vacancy caused by the resignation of Shri Manmohan Kalia, M.L.A., on his appointment as Minister." (Carried). 2. Non-official business—Resolutions— "With a view to give land to maximum number of persons belonging to Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes and other landless agricultural labourers in the State including those who may already be owning some land but less than five acres, this House recommends to the Government to take immediate steps to suitably amend the existing laws so as to— (i) scale down the ceiling of land holdings from 50 standard acres for refugees and 30 standard acres for others to 20 acres per family for all; (ii) bring the modern farms, gardens, etc., within the purview of the ceiling of land holdings ; (iii) distribute land declared/found surplus amongst evicted/landless tenants, persons belonging to Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes and agricultural labourers; and (iv) vest the surplus land in Government till such time as the same is distributed amonsgt different classes of persons as enumerated in (iii) above." (Continued on the 30th October, 1969).
24th October, 1969 (from 9.00 a.m. to 2.30 p.m.)	.. Official Resolutions— 1. "On the occasion of the 500th Birth Anniversary of Guru Nanak, this House places on record its tribute to sacred memory of the great Emancipator of the suffering humanity. His message

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	of Love, Truth and Equality transcends all barriers of time and space. The Great Guru envisioned a new social order based on justice, and without any discriminating, distinction of sex, birth, caste, creed or class. By the dynamism of his teachings and personality, Guru Nanak has left an indelible mark on the culture and history of our country. Realising that the message of Guru Nanak has great significance for the tension-ridden world of today, this House re-dedicates itself to the realisation of the values and ideals preached by the Guru." (Carried) 2. "On the first birth centenary of Mahatma Gandhi, this House places on record its high appreciation of the services rendered by the Father of the Nation in winning freedom for the motherland. This House joins the millions of people within the country and abroad in celebrating the first birth centenary and pay their grateful tributes to Mahatma Gandhi. Mahatma Gandhi had close association with the people of the Punjab. Since the Jalianwala Bagh tragedy, all the sacrifices and the struggles launched by the Punjabis bear indelible mark of teachings of Gandhiji. The Punjab has extended wholehearted cooperation to the various freedom movements launched by Gandhiji such as non-co-operation with the alien rulers, boycott of foreign goods and boycott of Siman Commission. This House feels that the impact of Gandhiji's life and teachings would be a source of inspiration to all of us for generations to come. The members of this august House pledge that they would follow the example of Mahatma Gandhi, work for the happiness and prosperity of the country and its down-trodden people." (Carried)
25th October, 1969 26th October, 1969.	Holidays.
27th October, 1969 (From 3.30 P.M. to 5.40 P.M.)	.. 1. Reference to the death of Sardar Darshan Singh Pheruman. 2. Adjournment of the House as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased
28th October, 1969	.. Off-day.

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29th October, 1969 .. (From 9.00 A.M to 1.30 P.M.)	1. Presentation of the Supplementary Estimates (First Instalment) for the year 1969-70. 2. Presentation of Report of the Committee on Estimates on the Supplementary Estimates (First Instalment) for the year 1969-70. 3. Presentation of Preliminary Report of the *Ad hoc* Committee appointed on the 25th April, 1969, to enquire into matters relating to the entry of Police/outsiders in the House on the 18th March, 1968. 4. Motion regarding extension of time for presenting the Report of the *Ad hoc* Committee appointed on the 25th April, 1969, to enquire into matters relating to the entry of Police/outsiders in the House on the 18th March, 1968 till the 31st March, 1970. 5. Presentation of Preliminary Report of the Committee of Privileges regarding the threatening behaviour of Sardar Harbhagwan Singh, ex-M.L.A. towards Sardar Trilochan Singh Riyasti, M.L.A. in the precincts of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha. 6. Motion regarding extension of time for presenting the Report of the Committee of Privileges regarding the threatening behaviour of Sardar Harbhagwan Singh Ex-M.L.A. towards Sardar Trilochan Singh Riyasti, M.L.A. in the precincts of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha, till the 31st December, 1969. 7. The Punjab Land Revenue (Amendment) Bill, 1969 .
30th October, 1969 .. (From 2.00 to 6.50 P.M.)	1. Presentation and adoption of the third Report of the Business Advisory Committee. 2. Motion under rule 84 regarding ' discussion of the situation arising out of the death of Sardar Darshan Singh Ji Pheruman, who laid down his life for the inclusion of Chandigarh etc. in the State of Punjab. 3. Official Resolution— "This House recommends to the Government of India to decide the question of Chandigarh without further delay and to include it in Punjab as it is definitely Punjabi speaking and is not even contiguous to any Hindi-speaking area.

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	The Government of India should also take steps to restore status quo as it existed before the Re-organisation about the question of Bhakra Complex at an early date and to set up a Commission of linguistic experts to redemarcate the boundaries of Punjab on the basis of spoken languages." (Carried).
	4. Non-Official Business—Resolutions.— Resumption of discussion on the following resolution moved by Comrade Kulwant Singh, M.L.A. on the 23rd October, 1969 :—
	"With a view to give land to maximum number of persons belonging to Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes and other landless agricultural labourers in the State including those who may already be owning some land but less than five acres, this House recommends to the Government to take immediate steps to suitably amend the existing laws so as to—
	(i) scale down the ceiling of land holdings from 50 standard acres for refugees and 30 standard acres for others to 20 acres per family for all;
	(ii) bring the modern farms, gardens, etc. within the purview of the ceiling of land holdings ;
	(iii) distribute land declared/found surplus amongst evicted/landless tenants, persons belonging to Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes and agricultural labourers ; and
	(iv) vest the surplus land in Government till such time as the same is distributed amongst different classes of persons as enumerated in (iii) above." (Not concluded).
31st October, 1969 .. (From 2.00 to P.M. to 7.05 P.M.	1. Resolution under Article 213(2)(a) of the Constitution regarding disapproval of the Punjab Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Ordinance, 1969.
	2. The Punjab Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Bill, 1969.
1st November, 1969 2nd November, 1969	Holidays
3rd November, 1969 .. (From 2.00 P.M. to 6.10 P.M.)	Discussion on the Supplementary Estimates (First Instalment) for the year 1969-70.

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4th November, 1969 .. (From 2.00 P.M. to 7.37 P.M.)	1. Presentation and adoption of the Fourth Report of the Business Advisory Committee. 2. The Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 1969. 3. Resolution under Article 213 (2)(a) of the Constitution regarding disapproval of the Punjab School Education Board Ordinance, 1969. 4. The Punjab School Education Board Bill, 1969.
5th November, 1969 .. (From 9.00 A.M. to 6.40 P.M.)	1. Presentation of— (i) the First Report of the Committee of Privileges on the Question of Privilege regarding the handcuffing of Comrade Kulwant Singh, M.L.A. by the police authorities of Jullundur; and (ii) the Second Report of the Committee of Privileges regarding pressure exerted on Sardar Bachan Singh Pakho, M.L.A. by Sardar Gurbachan Singh Bahya, D. S. P., to leave the Congress Legislature Party. 2. Censure motions against Shri Krishan Lal, Minister for Finance and Local Government, Punjab. (Lost) 3. Resolution under Article 213(2)(a) of the Constitution regarding the disapproval of the Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment) Ordinance, 1969. (Lost) 4. The Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment) Bill. 1969. 5. Resolution under Article 213(2)(a) of the Constitution regarding the disapproval of the Punjab Motor Spirit (Taxation of Sales) Amendment Ordinance, 1969 (Lost). 6. The Punjab Motor Spirit (Taxation of Sales) Amendment Bill, 1969. 7. Resolution under Article 213(2)(a) of the Constitution regarding the disapproval of the Punjab Aided Schools (Security of Services) Ordinance, 1969. (Lost) 8. The Punjab Aided Schools (Security of Service) Bill. 1969. 9. Resolution under Article 213(2)(a) of the Constitution regarding the disapproval of the Punjab Passengers and Goods Taxation (Amendment) Ordinance, 1969 (Lost)

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	10. The Punjab Passengers and Goods Taxation (Amendment) Bill 1969
	11. Resolution under Article 213 (2) (a) of the Constitution regarding the disapproval of the Punjabi University (Amendment) Ordinance, 1969. (Lost)
	12. The Punjabi University (Amendment) Bill, 1969.
	13. Resolution under Article 213(2)(a) of the Constitution regarding the disapproval of the Guru Nanak University Amritsar Ordinance, 1969 (Lost)
	14. The Guru Nanak University Amritsar Bill, 1969.
6th November, 1969 .. (From 9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)	1. Motion regarding adjournment of the House *sine die* (Carried)
	2. Consideration of the Report of the Committee of Privileges on the Question of Privilege regarding the handcuffing of Comrade Kulwant Singh, M.L.A. by the police authorities of Jullundur. (Postponed).
	3. The Pepsu Occupancy Tenants (Vesting of Proprietary Rights) Amendment Bill, 1969, as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad.
	4. The Punjab Tenancy (Amendment) Bill, 1969, as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad.
	5. The Punjab Cinemas (Regulation) Amendment Bill, 1969 as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad.
	6. The Punjab Instruments (Control of Noises) Amendment Bill, 1969, as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad.
	7. The Punjab Dramatic Performance (Amendment) Bill, 1969, as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad.
	8. The Good Conduct Prisoner's Probational Release (Amendment) Bill, 1969, as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad.
	9. The Punjab Security of Land Tenures (Amendment) Bill, 1969, as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad.

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	10. The Pepsu Tenancy and Agricultural Lands (Amendment) Bill, 1969, as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad.
	11. Non-official Bill—The Punjab Public Men (Inquiries) Bill, 1969 (Leave to introduce refused).
26th November, 1969 .. (From 2.00 P.M. to 5.27 P.M)	1. References to the deaths of— (i) Dr. P.V. Cherian, Governor of Maharashtra.
	(ii) Mrs. Violet Alva, Former Deputy Chairman, Rajya Sabha.
	(iii) Ch. Harbhaj Ram, Ex-M.L.A.
	2. Motion regarding adjournment of the Assembly *sine die*. (Carried)
	3. The Punjab Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Bill, 1969, as amended by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad.

PANEL OF CHAIRMEN

On the 22nd October, 1969, the Speaker nominated the following on the Panel of Chairmen under rule 13(1) :—

1. Sardar Jasdev Singh.
2. Sardar Shashpal Singh.
3. Sardar Harcharan Singh Brar.
4. Sardar Basant Singh (Dakala).

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

On the 30th October, 1969, under Rule 250(5) Shri Gian Chand Vaid, M.L.A. was elected as a Member of the Public Accounts Committee for the remaining period of the year 1969-70 in the vacancy caused by the resignation of Shri Manmohan Kalia, M.L.A.

2. The Finance Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1967-68 were laid on the Table of the Vidhan Sabha on the 23rd October, 1969, by the Industries Minister.

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REFERENCES

References to the deaths of the following were made by the Chief Minister and Deputy Leader of the Opposition and other members of the Vidhan Sabha on the dates mentioned against each :—

Serial No.	Name of the deceased	Date on which reference was made
1	2	3
1.	Dr. Zakir Hussain, President of India	The 21st October, 1969
2.	Sardar Lachhman Singh Gill, Ex-Chief Minister, Punjab	
3.	Sardar Kartar Singh Qaumi, M.L.C.	
4.	Ch. Jagdish Chander, M.L.A., Haryana Vidhan Sabha	
5.	Sardar Pritam Singh Sidhu, Ex-M.L.A.	
6.	Prof. Humayun Kabir, Ex-M.P. and former Union Minister	
7.	Dr. P.N. Sapru, Ex-M.P.	
8.	Baba Karam Singh Chima, Veteran Revolutionary	
9.	Dr. Ho Chi Minh, President of North Vietnam	
10.	Sardar Darshan Singh Pheruman	The 27th October, 1969
11.	Dr. P.V. Cherian, Governor of Maharashtra	The 26th November, 1969
12.	Mrs. Violet Alva, Former Deputy Chairman, Rajya Sabha	
13.	Ch. Harbhaj Ram, Ex-M.L.A.	

In case of Serial Nos. 1 to 9, the Deputy Speaker and in case of serial Nos. 10 to 13, the Speaker, associated themselves with the sentiments expressed. All the members stood in silence for two minutes on each occasion as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased. On the first two occasions, the House also adjourned as a mark of respect to their memories.

Messages of condolences and sympathy on behalf of the Vidhan Sabha were sent as under :—

Serial No.	Name of deceased	Name of next of Kith/Authority
1	2	3
1.	Dr. Zakir Hussain, President of India	The Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, New Delhi.
2.	S. Lachhman Singh Gill, Ex-Chief Minister, Punjab	Sardarni Lachhman Singh Gill, Rajauri Garden, New Delhi-1

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Serial No.	Name of the deceased	Name of next of Kith/Authority
1	2	3
3.	S. Kartar Singh Qaumi, M.L.C.	The Deputy Commissioner, Jullundur.
4.	Ch. Jagdish Chander, M.L.A., Haryana Vidhan Sabha	The Secretary, Haryana Vidhan Sabha, Chandigarh
5.	S. Pritam Singh Sidhu, Ex-M.L.A.	The Deputy Commissioner, Bhatinda.
6.	Prof. Humayun Kabir, Ex-M.P. and former Union Minister	The Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, New Delhi.
7.	Dr. P.N. Sapru, Ex-M.P.	The Secretary, Rajya Sabha Parliament House, New Delhi
8.	Baba Karam Singh Chima, Veteran Revolutionary	The Chief Secretary to Government, Punjab, Chandigarh
9.	Dr. Ho Chi-Minh, President of North Vietnam	The Secretary Minister of External Affairs Government of India, New Delhi.
10.	Sardar Darshan Singh Pheruman	The Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar
11.	Dr. P.V. Cherian, Governor of .. Maharashtra	The Chief Secretary to Government, Maharashtra, Bombay.
12.	Mrs. Violet Alva, Former Deputy Chairman, Rajya Sabha	The Secretary, Rajya Sabha Parliament, House, New Delhi.
13.	Ch. Harbhaj Ram, Ex-M.L.A.	The Deputy Commissioner, Jullundur.

FINANCIAL BUSINESS

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES (FIRST INSTALMENT) FOR THE YEAR 1969-70

(i) Supplementary Estimates (First Instalment) for the year 1969-70, were presented to the Sabha on the 29th October, 1969, and discussed and voted upon on the 3rd November, 1969.

There were 9 Demands in all, totalling a sum of Rs. 13,66,97,010. In accordance with the approval of the House, a general discussioon on all the Supplementary Demands was held. Three members from the Treasury Benches (including the Finance Minister), four members from Opposition (Congress) and one each from C.P.I., S.S.P., Swatantra and C.P.I.(M) participated in the debate, speaking for 45 minutes, 44 minutes, 13 minutes 20 minutes and 14 minutes and 14 minutes, respectively.

All the Demands were put to vote separately and carried,

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(ii) **The Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 1969.**—The Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 1969 (Bill No. 23-PLA of 1969) in respect of the Supplementary Demands voted by the Sabha on the 3rd November, 1969, was introduced on the 4th November, 1969, It was before the Sabha for 144 minutes.

Five Members from the Opposition (Congress) two from the Treasury Benches, one each from P.S.P., C.P.I.(M) and S.S.P. took part in the discussion and spoke for 55 minutes 30 minutes, 21 minutes, 11 minutes, 7 minutes and 4 minutes, respectively. The Finance, Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 14 minutes.

The Bill was passed.

LEGISLATION

The Sabha transacted legislative business on the—

22nd October, 1969,

29th October, 1969,

31st October, 1969,

4th November, 1969,

5th November, 1969,

6th November, 1969, and

26th November, 1969.

It passed 21 Bills in all (including one Appropriation Bill and eight received from the Vidhan Parishad) (*See* Tables I and II).

Leave to introduce the Punjab Public Men (Inquiries) Bill, 1969, given notice of by Comrade Satya Pal Dang, M.L.A. was refused by the House on the 6th November 1969.

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TABLE I

Serial No.	Title of the Bill	Minister Introducing	Date of Introduction	Date of Consideration	Number of Speeches									Time taken in			
					Treasury	Opp. Cong.	S.S.P.	C.P.I.	C.P.I. (M)	P.S.P.	Swat.	Indept. Akali	Treasury	Opp. Cong.	S.S.P.	C.P.I.	
1.	The Punjab Official Language (Amendment) Bill, 1969	Education Minister	22-10-69	22-10-69	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	7	—	—	
2.	The Punjab Public Premises and Land (Eviction and Rent Recovery) Amendment Bill, 1969	Revenue Minister	22-10-69	22-10-69	1	3	3	3	—	—	—	1	1	10	9		
3.	The Punjab State Aid to Industries (Amendment) Bill, 1969	Industries Minister	22-10-69	22-10-69	1	5	—	2	—	1	—	—	9	29	—		
4.	The Punjab Land Revenue (Amendment) Bill, 1969	Revenue Minister	29-10-69	29-10-69	1	2	1	—	—	1	1	—	1	40	4		
5.	The Punjab Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Bill, 1969	Chief Minister	31-10-69	31-10-69 and *26-11-69	2	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	18	68	30		
6.	The Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 1969	Finance Minister	4-11-69	4-11-69	3	5	1	1	1	1	—	—	44	55	4		
7.	The Punjab School Education Board Bill, 1969	Education Minister	4-11-69	4-11-69	1	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	40	18	22		
8.	The Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment) Bill, 1969	Education Minister	5-11-69	5-11-69	2	1	1	1	1	—	—	—	6	10	3		
9.	The Punjab Motor Spirit (Taxation of Sale) Amendment Bill, 1969	Chief Minister	5-11-69	5-11-69	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	—	
10.	The Punjab Aided Schools (Security of Service) Bill, 1969	Education Minister	5-11-69	5-11-69	2	3	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	15	22	11	1
11.	The Punjab Passengers and Goods Taxation (Amendment) Bill, 1969	Chief Minister	5-11-69	5-11-69	2	3	1	1	1	—	—	—	9	11	3		
12.	The Punjab University (Amendment) Bill, 1969	Education Minister	5-11-69	5-11-69	1	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	14	28	8		
13.	The Guru Nanak University Amritsar Bill, 1969	Education Minister	5-11-69	5-11-69	1	2	1	1	—	1	—	—	3	18	3		

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en in Minutes	Amendments Proposed									Amendments not moved/with drawn/lost/out of order/redundant						Amendments Carried			Total time taken for disposal in minutes including the time taken for stating the motion	Date of Passing	Date of Transmission to Council	Date of receipt back from Council
C.P.I.	C.P.I. (M)	P.S.P.	Swat.	Indept. Akali	Trea-sury	Opp. Cong.	C.P.I.	P.S.P.	Trea sury	Opp. Cong.	C.P.I.	P.S.P.	Trea-sury	Opp. Cong.	C.P.I.							
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10	—	—	—	1	—	—	5	—	—	—	5	—	—	—	—				53	22-10-69	23-10-69	1-11-69
21	—	8	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—				80	22-10-69	23-10-69	1-11-69
4	—	3	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				64	29-10-69	29-10-69	1-11-69
16	—	—	—	—	12	28	22	—	2	27	22	—	10	1	—				147	31-10-69 and *26-11-69	31-10-69	7-11-69
11	7	21	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				144	4-11-69	5-11-69	7-11-69
18	—	—	—	—	4	15	17	—	3	26	20	—	1	1	2				100	4-11-69	5-11-69	7-11-69
7	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—				39	5-11-69	6-11-69	7-11-69
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18	—	3	—	—	—	22	20	—	—	22	20	—	—	—	—				70	5-11-69	5-11-69	7-11-69
7	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				36	5-11-69	5-11-69	7-11-69
8 13	—	—	—	—	—	13	8	—	—	13	8	—	—	—	—				65	5-11-69	6-11-69	7-11-69
9	—	7	—	—	—	15	19	2	—	15	19	2	—	—	—				42	5-11-69	6-11-69	7-11-69

*Again passed as originally passed.

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TABLE II

Bills Originating in and received from the Punjab Vidhan Parishad for concurrence of the Vidhan Sabha

Serial No.	Title of the Bill	Date of receipt	Date of consideration	Date of passing
1.	The Pepsu Occupancy Tenants (Vesting of Proprietary Rights) Amendment Bill, 1969 ..	30-10-69	6-11-69	6-11-69
2.	The Punjab Tenancy (Amendment) Bill, 1969 ..	30-10-69	6-11-69	6-11-69
3.	The Punjab Cinemas (Regulation) Amendment Bill, 1969 ..	30-10-69	6-11-69	6-11-69
4.	The Punjab Instruments (Control of Noises) Amendment Bill, 1969 ..	30-10-69	6-11-69	6-11-69
5.	The Punjab Dramatic Performances (Amendment) Bill, 1969 ..	30-10-69	6-11-69	6-11-69
6.	The Good Conduct Prisoners' Probational Release (Amendment) Bill, 1969 ..	1-11-69	6-11-69	6-11-69
7.	The Punjab Security of Land Tenures (Amendment) Bill, 1969 ..	3-11-69	6-11-69	6-11-69
8.	The Pepsu Tenancy and Agricultural Lands (Amendment) Bill, 1969 ..	3-11-69	6-11-69	6-11-69

Synopsis of the Bills passed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha during its Second (Autumn) Session, 1969.

I. Bills Originating in the Vidhan Sabha

1. The Punjab Official Language (Amendment) Bill, 1969. (Introduced and passed on 22nd October, 1969).

This Bill amends the principal Act so as to authenticate the translated version in Punjabi of the Central and State Acts, Rules, etc.

2. The Punjab Public Premises and Land (Eviction and Rent Recovery) Amendment Bill, 1969 (Introduced and passed on 22nd October, 1969).

This Bill replaces the Ordinance which was promulgated to amend the principal Act in view of the Judgment of the Supreme Court striking down section 5 thereof as it was held being discriminatory and violative of Article 14 of the Constitution.

3. The Punjab State Aid to Industries (Amendment) Bill, 1969 (Introduced and passed on 22nd October, 1969).

This Bill replaces the Ordinance which was promulgated to amend the principal Act to enhance the powers of the District Industries Officers and the Director of Industries to sanction loans. It also empowers the Government to remove the Vice-Chairman or a member of the Board of Industries whose conduct is not good, etc.

4. The Punjab Land Revenue (Amendment))Bill, 1969 (Introduced and passed on 29th October, 1969).

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This Bill replaces the Ordinance which was promulgated to amend the principal Act to define the word 'standard acre' with a view to granting exemption from payment of land revenue and surcharge to landowners owning land upto five standard acres, etc.

5. The Punjab Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Bill, 1969 (Introduced and passed on 31st October, 1969 and again passed on 26th November, 1969 as amended by the Vidhan Parishad).

This Bill replaces the Ordinance which was promulgated to amend the principal Act to remove many shortcomings found during the last so many years and to make the supervision and control of the Government over the societies more effective and realistic.

6. The Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 1969. (Introduced and passed on 4th November, 1969).

This Bill provides for the appropriation from and out of the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab of sums required to meet the Supplementary Grants made by the Vidhan Sabha and expenditure charged on the Consolidated Fund of the State for the financial year 1969-70.

7. The Punjab School Education Board Bill, 1969 (Introduced and passed on 4th November, 1969).

This Bill replaces the Ordinance which was promulagted to provide for the—

(i) establishment of Board of School Education ; and

(ii) the improvement in the standard of School Education.

in view of the recommendations of the Education Commission.

8. The Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment) Bill, 1969 (Introduced and passed on 5th November, 1969).

This Bill replaces the Ordinance which was promulgated to amend the principal Act to enhance the rate of market fee leviable by the State Government from fifty paise to one rupee per every hundered rupees of agricultural produce.

9. The Motor Spirit (Taxation of Sales) Amendment Bill, 1969 (Introduced and passed on 5th November, 1969).

This Bill replaces the Ordinance which was promulgated to amend the principal Act in order to continue the levy of the tax on motor spirit except diesel oil and to validate the levy and collection thereof after the expiry of the Punjab Motor Spirit (Taxation of Sales) Amendment Act, 1966 (President's Act No. 10 of 1966).

10. The Punjab Aided School (Security of Serivce) Bill, 1969. (Introduced and passed on 5th November, 1969).

This Bill replaces the Ordinance which was promulgated to provide security of service to the teaching and non-teaching staff working in the privately-managed recognised aided schools keeping in view representations from the staff concerned.

11. The Punjab Passengers and Goods Taxation (Amendment) Bill, 1969 Introduced and passed on 5th November, 1969.)

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This Bill replaces the Ordinance which was promulgated to amend the principal Act to enhance the rate of tax from 25 per cent to 35 per cent for the developmental requirements and to make certain other amendments considered necessary as a result of experience gained about the administration and working of the provisions thereof.

12. The Punjabi University (Amendment) Bill, 1969. (Introduced and passed on 5th November, 1969).

This Bill replaces the Ordinance which was promulgated to amend the principal Act to give proper representation to the Colleges brought under the Punjabi University consequent upon the extension of its jurisdiction.

13. The Guru Nanak University Amritsar Bill, 1969. (Introduced and passed on 5th November, 1969).

This Bill replaces the Ordinance which was promulgated to establish a University at Amritsar in commemoration of the Quincentenary of Shri Guru Nanak Dev Ji for—

(a) imparting education and for promoting research in the Humanities learned professions, Sciences, especially of an applied nature and technology; and

(b) study and research on the life and teachings of Guru Nanak and their cultural and religious impact.

II. *Bills originating in the Punjab Vidhan Parishad and received for the concurrence of the Vidhan Sabha*

1. The Pepsu Occupancy Tenants (Vesting of Proprietary Rights) Amendment Bill 1969 (Discussed and passed on 6th November, 1969.)

This Bill seeks to amend the principal Act to give proprietary rights of lands to Muquarraridars of Erstwhile Princely State of Kapurthala who have been sitting on the land for about 100 years and have been paying only land revenue.

2. The Punjab Tenancy (Amendment) Bill, 1969. (Discussed and passed on 6th November, 1969).

This Bill seeks to amend the principal Act to empower the Financial Commissioner to frame the Rules governing the petition-writers practising in the Revenue Courts/Revenue Offices.

3. The Punjab Cinemas (Regulation) Amendment Bill, 1969. (Discussed and passed on 6th November, 1969).

This Bill seeks to amend the principal Act to curb the sale of Cinema tickets in black market. It also empowers the Government to make rules prescribing the fees to be charged for grant and renewal of licences, inspection and issuing of duplicate copies.

4. The Punjab Instruments (Control of Noises) Amendment Bill, 1969, (Discussed and passed on 6th November, 1969).

This Bill seeks to amend the principal Act to provide restrictions on the use of operation of any instrument on a road, street, thoroughfare or other public or vacant places.

5. The Punjab Dramatic Performances (Amendment) Bill, 1969. (Discussed and passed on 6th November, 1969.)

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This Bill amends the principal Act to provide legal cover to rule 7 framed under the principal Act relating to the entry by assessing authority into any public place where any play, pantomime or other drama is being performed for the purpose of assessing the nature of the performance by witnessing it.

6. The Good Conduct Prisoners Probational Release (Amendment) Bill 1969 (Discussed and passed on 6th November, 1969).

This Bill amends the principal Act to delete the words 'professing the same religion as the prisoner' from section 2 of the principal Act because these have been found in conflict with the spirit of the Constitution of India.

7. The Punjab Security of Land Tenures (Amendment) Bill, 1969 (Discussed and passed on 6th November, 1969).

8. The Pepsu Tenancy and Agricultural Lands (Amendment) Bill, 1969 (Discussed and passed on 6th November, 1969).

These Bills seek to amend the respective principal Acts to safeguard the interests of the Defence personnel in the matter of ejectment of tenants and resumption of land upto the permissible limit.

RESOLUTIONS

(NON-OFFICIAL)

	Akali Party	Jan Sangh	C.P.I.	C.P.I. (M)	S.S.P.	P.S.P.	Opposition Congress	Total
1. Number of Notices received	3	..	4	..	..	1	39	47
2. Number admitted ..	3	..	4	..	..	..	37	44
3. Number disallowed ..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2
4. Number referred back ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
5. Number renewed ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
6. Number of resolutions not dealt with because of the decision that not more than first ten admissible resolutions of a Member shall be admitted during this session ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
7. Number of resolutions not dealt with for want of fifteen clear days notice ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
8. Total number of resolutions for ballot ..	3	..	4	..	..	..	37	44
9. Number of ballots held ..	Three							
10. Dates on which ballots held	21st October, 1969; 24th October, 1969 and 4th November, 1969							
11. Dates on which business other than Government business was transacted ..	23rd October, 1969; 30th October, 1969 and 6th November, 1969							

Note — On the 6th November, 1969, non-official resolution could not be discussed because after leave to introduce the non-official Bill namely, "The Punjab Public Men (Inquiries) Bill, 1969" having been refused the House adjourned sine-die.

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On 23rd October, 1969, Comrade Kulwant Singh, M. L. A. moved that :—

"With a view to give land to maximum number of persons belonging to Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes and other landless agricultural labourers in the State including those who may already be owning some land but less than five acres, this House recommends to the Government to take immediate steps to suitably amend the existing laws so as to—

(i) scale down the ceiling of land holdings from 50 standard acres for refugees and 30 standard acres for others to 20 acres per family for all;

(ii) bring the modern farms, gardens, etc., within the purview of the ceiling of land holdings ;

(iii) distribute land declared/found surplus amongst evicted/landless tenants persons belonging to Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes and agricultural labourers; and

(iv) vest the surplus land in Government till such time as the same is distributed amongst different classes of persons as enumerated in (iii) above."

It was discussed on the 23rd and 30th October, 1969, and remained before the Sabha for 85 minutes. One member from the C. P. I., one from the Treasury Benches, one from Swatantra and two Opposition (Congress) spoke for 22 minutes, 11 minutes, 15 minutes and 37 minutes respectively.

All the amendments given notice of were deemed to have been moved.

The discussion was inconclusive.

OFFICIAL RESOLUTIONS

1. The following Official Resolution was moved on the 24th October, 1969, by the Chief Minister.

"On the occasion of the 500th Birth Anniversary of Guru Nanak, this House places on record its tribute to sacred memory of the great emancipator of the suffering humanity. His message of Love, Truth and Equality transcends all barriers of time and space. The Great Guru envisioned a new Social Order based on justice, and without any discriminating distinction of sex, birth, caste, creed or class. By the dynamism of his teaching and personality, Guru Nanak has left an indelible mark on the culture and history of our country.

Realising that the message of Guru Nanak has great significance for the tension-ridden world of today, this House rededicates itself to the realisation of the values and ideals preached by the Guru ."

Three members from the Treasury Benches (including the Chief Minisiter and Minister for Social Welfare), three members from Opposition (Congress), one from S. S. P., one from C. P. I. and one from C. P. I. (M), took part in the discussion and spoke for 39 minutes, 3 minutes, 40 minutes, 9 minutes, 24 minutes and 11 minutes respectively .

The resolution was carried unanimously.

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2. The following Official Resolution was also moved on the 24th October, 1969, by the Chief Minister :—

"On the first birth centenary of Mahatma Gandhi, this House places on record its high appreciation of the services rendered by the Father of the Nation in winning freedom for the motherland. This House joins the millions of people within the country and abroad in celebrating the first birth centenary and pay their grateful tributes to Mahatma Gandhi.

Mahatma Gandhi had close association with the people of the Punjab. Since the Jallianwala Bagh tragedy, all the sacrifices and the struggles launched by the Punjabis bear indelible mark of teachings of Gandhiji. The Punjab has extended whole-hearted cooperation to the various freedom movements launched by Gandhi Ji, such as non-cooperation with the alien rulers, boycott of foreign goods and boycott of Siman Commission.

This House feels that the impact of Gandhi Ji's life and teachings would be a source of inspiration to all of us for generations to come. The members of this august House pledge that they would follow the example of Mahatma Gandhi, work for the happiness and prosperity of the country and its down-trodden people."

Three members from the Treasury Benches (including the Chief Minister and Minister for Local Bodies), one member each from P. S.P., and S. S. P. and four members from the Opposition (Congress), took part in the discussion and spoke for 19 minutes, 8 minutes, 9 minutes and 44 minutes, respectively .

The resolution was carried unanimously.

3. The following Official Resolution was moved on the 30th October, 1969, by the Chief Minsiter while speaking by way of reply on the motion under rule 84 regarding the discussion of the situation arising out of the death of Sardar Darshan Singh Pheruman, who laid down his life for the inclusion of Chandigarh etc. in the State of Punjab :—

"This House recommends to the Government of India to decide the question of Chandigarh without further delay and to include it in Punjab as it is definitely Punjabi speaking and is not even contiguous to any Hindi speaking area. The Government of India should also take steps to restore status quo as it existed before the Re-organisation about the question of Bhakra Complex at an early date and to set up a Commission of Linguistic Experts to redemarcate the boundaries of Punjab on the basis of spoken languages."

The resolution was carried unanimously.

PAPERS PRESENTED/LAID

The following papers were presented to/laid before the Sabha.

Serial No.	By whom presented/laid	Date on which presented/ laid	Subject
1	2	3	4
1.	Minister for Industries	22-10-69	The Punjab Ordinances Nos. 2 to 12 of 1969.
2.	Chief Minister ..	22-10-69	The Fourth Annual Report of the Punjab Agricultural University, for the year 1965-66, as required under Section 34 of the Punjab Agricultural University Act, 1961.

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Serial No.	By whom presented/ laid	Date on which presented/laid	Subject
1	2	3	4
3.	Chief Minister	22-10-69	The Fifth Annual Report of the Punjab Agricultural University for the year 1966-67, as required under Section34 of the Punjab Agricultural Act, 1961.
4.	Ditto	22-10-69	The Third Annual Report and Accounts of the Land Development and Seed Corporation Ltd., for the year 1967-68 as required under Section 619A(3) of the Companies Act, 1956
5.	Ditto	22-10-69	Notification No. 282/4/PB/69, dated the 7th July, 1969. regarding the corrections of spelling errors in the Delimitation of Parliamentary and Assembly Constituencies Order,1966, as required under Section 10(3) of the Delimitation Act, 1962.
6.	Minister for Industries	22-10-69	The Annual Reports on the working of the Punjab Steel and Alloys Castings Ltd., Chandigarh, for the year 1966-67 and 1968, as required under Section 619A(3) of the Companies Act, 1956.
7.	Secretary ..	22-10-69	Statement showing the Bills which were passed by the Punjab State Legislature during its Budget Session, 1969 and which have since been assented to by the President of India-Governor of Punjab
8.	Minister for Industries	23-10-69	The Sixteenth Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Financial Corporation for the year ending the 31st March, 1969, as required under Section 38 (3) of the State Financial Corporation Act, 1951
9.	Ditto	23-10-69	The Punjab Co-operative Societies (First Amendment) Rules, 1969, as required under Section 85 (3) of the Punjab Co-operative Societies Act, 1961
10.	Ditto	23-10-69	The Finance Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1967-68
11.	Finance Minister ..	29-10-69	The Supplementary Estimates (First Instalment) for the year 1969-70
12.	Chief Minister ..	30-10-69	The amendments/additions (two Notifications) made by the Governor in the Punjab Public Service Commission (Limitation of Functions) Regulations, 1955, as required under Article 320 (5) of the Constitution
13	ecretary ..	31-10-69	The Punjab Tenancy (Amendment) Bill, 1969 as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad
14	Do	31-10-69	The Pepsu Occupancy Tenants (Vesting of Proprietary Rights) Amendment, Bill, 1969, as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad.
15.	Do	31-10-69	The Punjab Cinemas (Regulation) Amendment Bill, 1969, as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad
16.	Do	31-10-69	The Punjab Instruments (Control of Noises) Amendment Bill, 1969, as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad.
17.	Do	31-10-69	The Punjab Dramatic Performances (Amendment) Bill, 1969, as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad.

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Serial No	By whom presented/ laid	Dated on which presented laid	Subject
1	2	3	4
18.	Secretary	31-10-69	The Statement showing the action taken by the Government on the Non-official Resolutions passed by the erstwhile Pepsu Vidhan Sabha
19.	Do	3-11-69	The Good Conduct Prisoners' Probational Release (Amendment) Bill, 1969, as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad
20.	Do	5-11-69	The Punjab Security of Land Tenures (Amendment) Bill, 1969, as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad
21.	Do	5-11-69	The Pepsu Tenancy and Agricultural Lands (Amendment)-Bill, 1969, as passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad.
22.	Finance Minister ..	26-11-69	Notification No. 2588-II/E-68/7592, dated the 22nd March 1969, as required under section 40(3) of the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947
23.	Secretary ..	26-11-69	The Punjab Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Bill, 1969 as amended by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad
24.	Do	26-11-69	Statement showing the Bills, which were passed by the Punjab Legislature during its current (Autumn) Session, 1969, and which have since been assented to by the Governor.

REPORTS PRESENTED

Serial No.	By whom presented	Date on which presented	Subject
1	2	3	4
		BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE	
1.	Deputy Speaker ..	22-10-69	First Report of the Business Advisory Committee
2.	Ditto	30-10-69	Third Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
3.	Speaker ..	4-11-69	Fourth Report of the Business Advisory Committee
		ADHOC COMMITTEE	
1.	Deputy Speaker (Chairman)	29-10-69	Preliminary Report of the Adhoc Committee appointed on the 25th April, 1969, to enquire into matters relating to the entry of Police/outsiders in the House on the 18th March, 1968
		PRIVILEGES COMMITTEE	
1.	Chairman of the Privileges Committee	29-10-69	Preliminary Report of the Committee of Privileges regarding the threatening behaviour of Sardar Harbhagwan Singh Ex-M.L.A. towards Sardar Trilochan Singh Riyasti, M.L.A in the precincts of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha
2.	Ditto	5-11-69	First Report of the Committee of Privileges on the question of Privilege regarding the handcuffing of Comrade Kulwant Singh, M.L.A. by the police authorities of Jullundur
3.	Ditto	5-11-69	Second Report of the Committee of Privileges regarding Pressure exerted on Sardar Bachan Singh Pakho, M.L.A by Sardar Gurbachan Singh Bahya, D.S.P. to leave the Congress Legislature Party
		ESTIMATES COMMITTEES	
1	Chairman, Estimates Committee	29-10-69	Report of the Estimates Committee on the supplementary Estimates for the year 1969-70 (First instalment)

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CENSURE MOTIONS

Two notices of no confidence motions against Shri Krishan Lal, Minister for Finance and Local Government, Punjab received on 23rd October, 1969, one from Captain Rattan Singh and 11 other M.L.As and the other from Comrade Satya Pal Dang and three other M.L.As., were, with the consent of the movers, admitted by the Speaker as Censure Motions. These were moved and considered by the House on the 5th November, 1969. Three Members (including the Chief Minister and Finance Minister) from the Treasury Benches and one member each from the Congress, C.P.I., S.S.P., Swatantra and P.S.P. took part in the discussion speaking for 55 minutes, 28 minutes, 35 minutes, 16 minutes, 8 minutes and 13 minutes, respectively.

Captain Rattan Singh and Comrade Satya Pal Dang spoke for 5 minutes and 10 minutes respectively. by way of reply.

The motions were put to vote of the House and declared lost.

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SUSPENSION OF A MEMBER FROM THE SERVICE OF THE HOUSE

Serial No.	Date	Name of the Member	Reason
1	29th October, 1969	— S. Santokh Singh Randhawa (Congress)	Due to persistent obstruction of the proceedings by the Member, he was named by the Speaker and asked to withdraw from the House but he continued to obstruct the proceedings of the House. There upon the Chief Minister, in the first instance, moved that Rule 104 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly be suspended which was carried and thereafter moved that Sardar Santokh Singh Randhawa be suspended from the service of the House for one month. However, on a categorical assurance by the Deputy Leader of the Congress Legislature Party of his party's support in the orderly conduct of the Business in the House, the Chief Minister, with the leave of the House, withdrew the Motion.

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ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

Notices of 31 Adjournment Motions were received on different dates from different Members. The following 30 Motions were, however, mentioned in the House

Serial No.	Date of the Motion	Date when taken up	Member(s) giving notice	Subject	Decision
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	21st October, 1969	22nd October, 1969	Comrade Babu Singh Master and three other M.L.As.	The serious situation in the State arising out of the failure of the Government of India in resolving the dispute regarding Chandigarh, etc.	It was disallowed on the ground that this was not accompanied by an explanatory memorandum and was, therefore, not in confirmity with the requirement of Rules of Procedure
2.	21st October, 1969	22nd October, 1969	Com. Satya Pal Dang and others	Regarding the serious situation arising out of the anti-labour policy of the Government and the misuse of the official position by the Minister for Labour for partisan ends	Was disallowed on the ground that the conduct of a Minister could only be discussed on a substantive motion
3.	21st October, 1969	22nd October, 1969	Sardar Umrao Singh	Regarding the fast-unto-death undertaken by Shri Darshan Singh Pheruman for the inclusion of Chandigarh in the State of Punjab, etc.	Was disallowed on the ground that this was not accompanied by an explanatory memorandum and was, therefore not in confirmity with the requirement of the Rules of Procedure
4.	21st October, 1969	22nd October, 1969	Chaudhri Balbir Singh	Regarding the condition of Shri Darshan Singh who was on fast-unto-death having taken a ser-serious turn	Ditto
5.	22nd October, 1969	23rd October, 1969	Sardar Santokh Singh Randhawa	Regarding the failure of State Government in allotting any funds for raising a memorial in the name of Shri Guru Nanak Dev Ji in the town of Dera Baba Nanak, District Gurdaspur	Was disallowed on the ground that the motion was not accompanied by an Explanatory Memorandum as required under the Rules of procedure

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Serial No.	date of the Motion	date when taken up	Members(s)giving notice	Subject	Decision
1	2	3	4	5	6
6	22nd October, 1969	23rd October, 1969	Dr. Amir Singh Kalkat	Regarding the entry of police constable without the permission of the Principal in the Government College, Hoshiarpur and beating up of a student resulting in a strike in the College	Was disallowed on the ground that the motion was not accompanied by an Explanatory Memorandum as required under the Rules of Procedure
7	23rd October, 1969	24th October, 1969	Chaudhri Balbir Singh	Regarding the fast-unto-death, undertaken by Shri Darshan Singh Pheruman for inclusion of Chandigarh in Punjab State and the closure of colleges at Amritsar as a result thereof	Was disallowed, as a Motion under rule 84 on the same subject had already been admitteed and the time fixed for discussion thereof
8	23rd October, 1969	24th October, 1969	Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda	The complete failure of electric supply and water supply in the city of Amritsar for more than 72 hours from 20th October, 1969	Was disallowed as the matter raised therein concerned an autonomous body and was not the direct responsibility of the Government
9	23rd October, 1969	24th October, 1969	Dr. Amir Singh Kalkat	The most inefficient manner in which electricity is supplied to the farmers in the State	Was ruled out of order as the matter sought to be raised was not of a recent occurrence which could be discussed on an adjournment motion
10	23rd October, 1969	24th October, 1969	Shri Gurdial Saini	The arbitrary manner in which pig iron and other material for iron industry is distributed by the District Industries Officers, Jullundur.	Was ruled out of order as the matter sought to be raised was neither of recent occurrence nor of urgent public importance

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11	23rd October, 1969	24th October, 1969	S. Umrao Singh and Com. Satya Pal Dang	The student unrest in the State resulting in the closure of Punjabi University, Patiala, Punjab Agriculture University, Ludhiana and many other colleges	Was ruled out of order as the matter sought to be raised was not of recent occurrence and pertained to autonomous bodies
12	23rd October, 1969	24th October, 1969	Com. Satya Pal Dang	The serious situation arising out of the discontentment prevailing among the working class front from Amritsar on account of failure of the Government to ensure the payment of salaries to the workers of the Hindustan Embroidery Mills, Chheharta in time	Was disallowed as the matter sought to be raised was not of recent occurrence
13	29th October, 1969	29th October, 1969	Capt. Rattan Singh, S. Santokh Singh Randhawa	The forcible removal of the dead body of S. Darshan Singh Pheruman from the Hospital to his village Pheruman by the Police	Was ruled out of order by the Speaker on the ground that the matter raised therein related to an ordinary administration of law
14	29th October, 1969	29th October, 1969	S. Umrao Singh and S. Satup Singh	The stopping of people from going to village Pheruman to the cremation of S. Darshan Singh Pheruman even discontinuance of bus-service between Jullundur and Amritsar	Was ruled out of order by the Speaker on the ground that the matter raised therein related to an ordinary administration of law.
15	29th October, 1969	29th October, 1969	S. Umrao Singh	The request made by the son of S. Darshan Singh Pheruman to withdraw police force guarding the deadbody of his father and the refusal of the district authorities, Amritsar to do so	Ditto
16	29th October, 1969	29th October, 1969	Chaudhri Balbir Singh	The forcible taking away of the dead body of Sardar Darshan Singh Pheruman by the Police against the wishes of his family members	Ditto
17	29th October, 1969	30th October, 1969	Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda	Breakdown in Verka Power Station resulting in the disruption of electricity in the city of Amritsar	Consent withheld. It was however, converted into Call Attention Notice on 31st October, 1969.

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Serial No.	Date of the Motion	Date when taken up	Member (s) giving notice	Subject	Decision
1	2	3	4	5	6
18	30th October, 1969	30th October, 1969	S. Umrao Singh, Ch. Balbir Singh and Ch. Kewal Krishan	The indefinite closure of the colleges in the State	Consent with-held.
19	30th October, 1969	30th October, 1969	S. Kirpal Singh	The arrest of Bibi Rajinder Kaur daughter of late Master Tara Singh alongwith her two minor children and elder brother S. Jaswant Singh	Consent with-held.
20	30th October, 1969	30th October, 1969	Dr. Amir Singh Kalkat	Restoration of Chandigarh territory to its original occupants, in the event the Central Government not giving it to Punjab	Dis-allowed.
21	31st October, 1969	31st October, 1969	S. Umrao Singh, Ch. Balbir Singh	Arrest of prominent leaders including a legislator, journalists, former Minister and legislators and representative of political parties near village Pheruman	Dis-allowed.
22	31st October, 1969	31st October, 1969	S. Kirpal Singh	Arrests and harassment of M.L.As., Ex-M.L.As. and old patriots near village Pheruman on 30th October, 1969 who had gone to collect the ashes of late Shri Pheruman	Dis-allowed.
23	31st October, 1969	31st October, 1969	Comrade Kulwant Singh	Harassment and ejectment of eight Harijan tenants of village Kataura, Tehsil Fazilka by one Landlord, Shri Brij Mohan	Dis-allowed.
24	3rd November, 1969	3rd November, 1969	Com. Satya Pal Dang	Extreme high-handedness of the Police authorities at Batala in arresting the Trade Union Workers and industrial workers who tried to organise any public meeting	Ruled out of order, as it relates to ordinary administration of law.

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25	4th November, 1969	4th November, 1969	Com. Satya Pal Dang, Com. Babu Singh, Capt. Rattan Singh and S. Umrao Singh	Statement by C.M. on 2nd November, 1969 at Ferozepur Cantt. that the present Akali Majority Government was in no way less than a Sikh Homeland	Was ruled out of order, as the information was based on Press Reports
26	5th November, 1969	6th November, 1969	Dr. Amir Singh Kalkat	Press report that more facilities are likely to be given to Punjab Legislators, through ordinances to be promulgated by the State Government after the current Session of the State Legislature	Was ruled out of order.
27	25th November, 1969	26th November, 1969	S. Umrao Singh	Siege of the House of Late Shri Darshan Singh Pheruman at his village and obstruction to the entry of the people to visit and meet the members of his family	Was declared to be time-barred
28	26th November, 1969	26th November, 1969	Com. Satya Pal Dang	The decision of Sant Fateh Singh to go on fast on the 26th January, 1970	Was ruled out of order.
29	26th November, 1969	26th November, 1969	S. Kirpal Singh	The reported obstruction caused by the police in the immersion of ashes of late Shri Pheruman	Was ruled out of order.
30	26th November, 1969	26th November, 1969	Ch. Balbir Singh	Siege around the ashes of martyr Darshan Singh Pheruman and confinement of his family members	Was declared time-barred

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QUESTIONS OF PRIVILEGE

Serial No.	Date	Member (s) giving notice	Subject matter	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5
1	31st October, 1969	S. Kirpal Singh	Regarding the action of the Police in preventing Sardar Basant Singh, M.L.A. from taking part in the collection of ashes of Sardar Darshan Singh Pheruman	Was ruled out of order by the Speaker on the ground that no breach of privilege was involved in the question sought to be raised.
3	4th November, 1969	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	Wrong and misleading reply given to Unstarred Question No. 225 by the Finance Minister regarding :— (i) The removal of Presiding Officer, Labour Court, Jullundur (ii) The representation of ATTUC on all Committees of Labour Department.	The Speaker observed that the matter was being examined by him.
4	26th November, 1969	S. Umrao Singh	Regarding the reported statement of the Finance Minister that an Ordinance would be issued for levying new taxes in the State	Was rule out of order by the Chair on the ground that it was based on merely surmise of the Press Correspondent.

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OTHER MOTIONS

Serial No.	Minister/Member Moving	Moved on	Discussed on	Subject matter	Decision/ Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	Chief Minister ..	21st October, 1969	21st October, 1969	Adjournment of the House as a mark of respect to the memory of the certain dignitaries	Carried
2	Chief Parliamentary Secretary	22nd October, 1969	22nd October, 1969	Agreement with the recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee	Carried
3	Industries Minister ..	23rd October, 1969	23rd October, 1969	Motion regarding the election of one member in the manner as required by rule 250(5) of the Rules to serve on the Public Accounts Committee for the unexpired period of 1969-70 in the vacancy caused by the resignation of Shri Manmohan Kalia, M.L.A. on his appointment as a Minister	Carried
4	Deputy Speaker ..	29th October, 1969	29th October, 1969	Motion regarding extension of time for presenting the Report of the *ad-hoc* Committee appointed on the 25th April, 1969, to enquire into the matter relating to the entry of the Police/ outsiders in the House on 18th March, 1968, till the 31st March, 1970	Carried
5	Chairman, Privileges Committee	Ditto	Ditto	Motion regarding the extension of time for presenting the Report of the Committee in respect of threatening behaviour of Sardar Harbhagwan Singh, Ex-M.L.A. towards Sardar Trilochan Singh Riyasti, M.L.A. in the precincts of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha till 31st December, 1969	Carried
6	Chief Parliamentary Secretary	30th October, 1969	30th October, 1969	Agreement with the recommendations contained in the Third Report of the Business Advisory Committee	Carried

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Serial No.	Minister/Member Moving	Moved on	Discussed on	Subject matter	Decision/ Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6
7	S. Umrao Singh ..	31st October, 1969	31st October, 1969	Disapproval of the Punjab Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Ordinance, 1969 (Punjab Ordinance No. 10 of 1969), under Article 213(2)(a) of the Constitution	Lost
8	Captain Rattan Singh	4th November, 1969	4th November, 1969	Agreement with the recommendations contained in the Fourth Report of the Business Advisory Committee	Carried
9	S. Umrao Singh ..	Ditto	Ditto	Disapproval of the Punjab School Education Board Ordinance, 1969 (Punjab Ordinance No. 8 of 1969) under Article 213(2)(a) of the Constitution	Lost
10	Master Babu Singh ..	5th November, 1969	5th November, 1969	Disapproval of the Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment) Ordinance, 1969 (Punjab Ordinance No. 2 of 1969) under Article 213(2)(a) of the Constitution	Lost
11	Master Gurbanta Singh	5th November, 1969	5th November, 1969	Disapproval of the Punjab Motor Spirit (Taxation of Sales) Amendment Ordinance, 1969 (Punjab Ordinance No. 9 of 1969), under Article 213(2)(a) of the Constitution	Lost
12	Master Gurbanta Singh	5th November, 1969	5th November, 1969	Disapproval of the Punjab Aided Schools (Security of Service) Ordinance, 1969 (Punjab ordinance No. 6 of 1969 under Article 213(2)(a) of the Constitution	Lost
13	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	Ditto	Ditto	Disapproval of the Punjab Passengers and Goods Taxation (Amendment) Ordinance, 1969 (Punjab Ordinance No. 7 of 1969) under Article 213(2)(a) of the Constitution	Lost
14	S. Umrao Singh ..	Ditto	Ditto	Disapproval of the Punjabi University (Amendment) Ordinance, 1969 (Punjab Ordinance No.	Lost

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				5 of 1969) under Article 213(2)(a) of the Constitution	
15	Master Gurbanta Singh	Ditto	Ditto	Disapproval of the Guru Nanak University, Amritsar, Ordinance, 1969 (Punjab Ordinance No. 12 of 1969) under Article 213(2)(a) of the Constitution	Lost
16	Chief Minister ..	6th November, 1969	6th November, 1969	Motion regarding Adjournment of the House *sine die*	Carried
17	Chairman, Privileges Committee	Ditto	Ditto	Consideration of the First Report of the Committee of Privileges presented to the House on the 5th November, 1969 on the question of Privilege regarding the handcuffing of Comrade Kulwant Singh, M.L.A. by the Police authorities of Jullundur	Postponed to next Session
18	Chief Minister ..	26th November, 1969	26th November 1969	Motion regarding adjournment of the House *sine die*	Carried

Note :—Consideration of the Second Report of the Committee of Privileges pre ented to the House on the 5th November, 1969, on the question of Privilege regarding pressure exerted on S. Bachan Singh Pakho, M.L.A. by S. Gurbachan Singh Bajya, D.S.P. to leave the Congress Legislature Party, was also postponed to next Session alongwith the First Report.

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CALL ATTENTION NOTICES UNDER RULE 73

In all, 237 notices calling attention to matters of public importance were received. Out of these, 142 notices were admitted as detailed below in the serial order in which they were received. The rest were disallowed by the Hon'ble Speaker in his Chamber on one ground or the other. One adjournment motion (No. 18) was also converted into Call Attention Notice, (Serial No. 94.)

Serial No.	Call Attention Notice No.	Member/Members Calling Attention	Date	Subject matter	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	2	Comrades Satya Pal Dang and Babu Singh Master	22-10-69	Peasants being forced to sell their paddy to private parties at prices considerably lower than those fixed by the Government	The Finance Minister laid a statement on the Table on 29th October, 1969
2	3	Ditto	22-10-69	Declared intention of the Government to get the Hindu Succession Act amended with a view to deprive daughters of share in the property of their fathers especially in agricultural land	Ditto
3	4	Ditto	22-10-69	Action of the Waqf Board in leasing out grave yards for the purpose of farming	Copies of the statement were received on 28th November, 1969 and sent to Members on 1st December, 1969
4	6	Ditto	22-10-69	Extremely anomalous situation arising out the recent Supreme Court Judgement invalidating the provincilization of Municipal and D.B. Schools	The Finance Minister laid a statement on the Table on 29th October, 1969
5	7	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	22-10-69	Discontentment amongst the PSEB employees in the State because of the murderous attacks on the member of their colleagues	The Industries Minister laid a statement on the Table on 6th November, 1969
6	8	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	22-10-69	Decision of the Federal Executive of the Punjab Subordinate Services Federation against the dilatory tactics of the Government in the matter of arriving at negotiated settlement for removing the anomalies in the Report of the Pay Commission	The Finance Minister laid a statement on the Table on 29th October, 1969

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7	9	Ditto	22-10-69	Discontentment prevailing in the Publicof Phagwara because of failure of the Government to launch a criminal case against Shri Harjit Singh, a Police Officer	The Local Bodies Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 4th November, 1969
8	10	Ditto	22-10-69	Reported fact that scholarships of about 15,000 Harijan students in the State have been stopped by the Government	The Finance Minister laid a statement on the Table on 29th October, 1969
9	11	Sardar Parshotam Singh	22-10-69	Destruction of crops by rain water in certain villages of Budhlada Block, district Bhatinda	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table on 26th November, 1969
10	12	Ch. Kowal Krishen	22-10-69	Water of Shah Nahar irrigating Mukerian Block being blocked due to the accumulation of stones and silt at the source due to rains	The Finance Minister laid a statement on the Table on 29th October, 1969
11	13	Ditto	22-10-69	Discontentment prevailing in the public in connection with the compulsion of medium of instruction in the State	Ditto
12	15	Sardar Shashpal Singh	22-10-69	Dangerous situation created as a result of negligence of the traffic authorities	The Industries Minister laid a statement on the Table on 6th November, 1969
13	16	Ditto	22-10-69	Situation created by the fire which broke out on the morning of the 20th October, 1969 at the Electricity Sub-Station at Amritsar	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table on 30th October, 1969
14	19	Comrades Satya Pal Dang, Babu Singh, Kulwant Singh and Dana Ram	23-10-69	Acute discontentment prevailing amongst the Para Medical and Health employees because of the failure of the Government in implementing the agreements with them	The Local Bodies Minister laid a statement on the Table on 4th November, 1969
15	20	Comrade Babu Singh Master, Satya Pal Dang, Kulwant Singh and Dana Ram	23-10-69	Failure of the Government in checking the ejectment of poor Harijans and Kisan tenants	Copies of the statement were received on 7th November, 1969 and sent to Members on 18th November, 1969
16	21	Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal	23-10-69	Heavy damage caused to the rice crop at the ripening stage as a result of the closure of canals in Amritsar District	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table on 30th October, 1969
17	22	Ditto	23-10-69	Failure of the Government in implementing the announcement about giving facilities to the residents of the border villages	Copies of the statement were received on 18th February, 1970 and sent to Members on 22nd February, 1970

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18	23	Master Gurbanta Singh ..	23-10-69	Putting off the election of the office-bearers of Mandi Fantanganj Market Committee, Jullundur City, resulting in non-functioning of the Committee.	The Industries Minister laid a statement on the Table on 6th November, 1969
19	24	Master Gurbanta Singh	23-10-69	Disruption of supply of electric energy for tubewells in Jullundur District causing damage to the crops.	The Local Bodies Minister laid a statement on the Table on 4th November, 1969
20	26	Ch. Kewal Krishan	23-10-69	Discrimination in the pay scales of Laboratory Assistants of the Private Schools in the State.	The Finance Minister laid a statement on the Table on 29th October, 1969
21	27	Sardar Kirpal Singh	23-10-69	Resentment and unrest prevailing amongst the workers of M/s Sacko Rubber Industries for not being given the salary and bonus according to the approved policy of the Government.	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 30th October, 1969
22	28	Ditto	23-10-69	Anomalous situation created by a decision of the Supreme Court in an appeal against the Punjab Government in connection with the provincialised schools of Amritsar Municipality.	The Finance Minister laid a statement on the Table on 29th October, 1969
23	29	Sardar Kirpal Singh	24-10-69	Serious charges levelled by the Government Primary Teachers Association against Shri Dharampal Malhotra, Block Education Officer, Naushehra Pannuan.	The Local Bodies Minister laid a statement on the Table on 4th November, 1969
24	30	Dr. Amir Singh	24-10-69	Diversion of funds earmarked for the building of Government College, Tanda Urmar which has already been taken in hand in 1967-68 for some other college.	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table on 26th November, 1969
25	33	Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal	24-10-69	Taking away of a sum of Rs 3,600 from the Block Education Officer Bhikhiwind, District Amritsar by the officials of the State Bank of Patiala at Patti.	The Local Bodies Minister laid a statement on the Table on 4th November, 1969

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26	34	Comrades Satya Pal Dang and Kulwant Singh	24-10-69	Acute discontentment prevailing amongst the students of State, leading to a spate of strikes because of wrong and unimaginative policies and action of the Government	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Tabje on 26th November, 1969
27	36	Comrades Satya Pal Dang and Dana Ram	24-10-69	Acute discontentment prevailing amongst the industrial workers of Amritsar.	The Local Bodies Minister laid a State ment on the Table on 4th November, 1969
28	37	Comrades Babu Singh, Dana Ram and Kulwant Singh	24-10-69	Situation arising out of the non-implementation of the Minimum Wages Notification relating to embroidary industry at Batala.	Ditto
29	38	Comrades Satya Pal Dang and Dana Ram	24-10-69	Widespread d scontentment prevailing amongst the workers of Punjab in general and of Phagwara in particular.	The Industries Minister laid a statement on the Table on 6th November, 1969
30	40	Dr. Amir Singh	24-10-69	Treatment meted out to the people of Tanda Halqa in the matter of provision of Tube-wells Irrigation, pucca roads and upgrading of schools etc. and other developmental facilities.	Statement met received
31	41	Ditto	24-10-69	Frequent failure of electricity in Tanda Sub-Grid Station of the State Electricity Board.	The Local Bodies Minister laid a statement on the Table on 4th November, 1969
32	42	Comrades Kulwant Singh and Babu Singh	24-10-69	Failure of the Government in providing the genuine price of Sugarcane to the growers in the State and safeguarding the interests of the growers as well as the Mill-owners in the State.	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table on 26th November, 1969
33	43	Master Gurbanta Singh	24-10-69	Raid on the house of the President, Municipal Committee, Jullundur on the information of a certain Municipal Commissioner belonging to the party opposed to him.	The Industries Minister laid a statement on the Table on 6th November, 1969
34	44	Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal	24-10-69	Ejectment of backward classes tenant cultivators from the Bet area of rivers Sutlej and Ravi.	The Industries Minister laid a statement on the Table on 6th November, 1969
35	45	Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi	24-10-69	Staging of dharna by the labourers working in the Office of the Chief Engineer, P.W.D. (B.&R.), Patiala.	The Local Bodies Minister laid a statement on the Table on 4th November, 1969
36	47	Shri Gurdial Saini	24-10-69	Malpractice of arbitrary distribution of steel sheets indulged in by the Industries Officer, Jullundur	Ditto

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37	48	Shri Gurdial Saini	24-10-69	Passage to Mohalla Bashirpura, Kot Ramdas (Jullundur) having been totally blocked because of construction of G.T. Road.	Copies of the statement were received on 24th February, 1970 and sent to Members on 2nd March, 1970
38	49	Ditto	24-10-69	Loss of Rs 36 lakhs suffered by the Punjab Government due to Dodge and Fargo trucks supplied to it sometime back.	Copies of the statement were received on 7th November, 1969 and sent to Members on 18th November, 1969
39	50	Comrade Babu Singh	24-10-69	Underhand methods of Block Development Officer Mukandpur towards its employees.	The local Bodies Minister laid a statement on the Table on 4th November, 1969
40	51	Ditto	24-10-69	Non-payment of salaries to the teachers working in the Government Primary School Kotli Afgana, District Ludhiana for the last 3 months.	Ditto
41	52	Ditto	24-10-69	Situation arising out of the strike of students of Government Training College, Faridakot, demanding the transfer of the Principal.	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table on 26th November, 1960
42	53	Ch. Satya Dev and Shri Balmukand Sharma	24-10-69	Forcible and illegal occupation of Government land by influencial persons at various places in the State.	Statement not received
43	54	Shri Balmukand Sharma ..	24-10-69	Situation created at Hoshiarpur by the entrance of Police in the College premises and manhandling of some students.	The Local Bodies Minister laid a statement on the Table on 4th November, 1969
44	57	Sardar Kirpal Singh ..	24-10-69	Situation created by the non-implementation of the assurances given to the employees of I.T.I., Talwara.	The Industries Minister laid a statement on the Table on 6th November, 1969
45	58	Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi ..	24-10-69	Heavy damage caused to a number of villages in Nabha Tehsil due to the accumulation of rain water.	The Local Bodies Minister laid a statement on the Table on 4th November, 1969

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46	60	Ch. Kewal Krishan ..	24-10-69	Ruining of Mukerian range forest by Gopal Paper Mills, Jagadhri, in violation of the rules.	Ditto
47	62	Vaid Gian Chand ..	24-10-69	Evil of smoking prevalent amongst teen-aged students in the State.	Ditto
48	63	Sardar Kirpal Singh ..	24-10-69	Situation created by the threat of agitation in support of Class IV employees in the Education Department.	Ditto
49	64	Ch. Ram Singh ..	24-10-69	Damage caused to the paddy crop due to the stoppage of Madhopur Lift Irrigation Scheme.	Ditto
50	65	Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda	24-10-69	Situation caused by the disruption of electric and water supply at Amritsar for 72 hours.	Ditto
51	66	Comrades Satya Pal Dang and Kulwant Singh	24-10-69	Threats of firing and victimisation given to B.Ed. students on strike at Jullundur	Ditto
52	67	Comrades Dana Ram and Kulwant Singh	24-10-69	Failure of the Government to arrest the murderers of Shri Gurcharan Singh, teacher, Government Primary School, Ramgarh, P. S. Malout.	The Industries Minister laid a statement on the Table on 6th November, 1969
53	68	Comrades Kulwant Singh and Dana Ram	24-10-69	Vindictive and repressive policy of D.C. Ludhiana in victimsing Shri Rajinder Paul President, Punjab Subordinate Services Federation, District Ludhiana,	Copies of the statement were received on 7th April, 1970 and were sent to Members on 4th May, 1970
54	69	Comrade Babu Singh Master ..	24-10-69	Illegal and unilateral decision of the Government to terminate the services of Shri Harbhajan Singh and suspension of Shri Jagat Singh, Instructors in I.T.I., Moga.	The Local Bodies Minister laid a statement on the Table on 4th November, 1969
55	70	Sathi Roop Lal ..	24-10-69	Firing resorted to by the police recently on the Harijans of village Daudhar, P. S. Mehna, tehsil Moga.	Ditto
56	17	Comrade Satya Pal Dang ..	24-10-69	Widespread discontentment amongst the Industrial Workers covered under E.S.I. Scheme in various Industrial Centres in the State.	Ditto
57	61	Giani Kundan Singh Patang ..	24-10-69	Removal of Scheduled Castes employees from the services of Block Samitis.	Not taken up as the Member was not present in the House.

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58	72	Ch. Balbir Singh ..	29-10-69	Removal of anomalies in the grades of pay of Government employees in the Punjab Pay Commission	Copies of the statement were received on 7th November, 1969 and sent to Members on 18th November, 1969
59	75	Ch. Satya Dev ..	29-10-69	Reported harassment and atrocities being committed on the Municipal Employees by the Chairman, Municipal Committee, Jullundur	The Industries Minister laid a statement on the Table on 6th November, 1969
60	76	Shri Tulsi Ram Chauhan ..	29-10-69	Non-completion of metalling of Balachaur Nurpur Bedi Kacha Road in district Hoshiarpur	Copies of the statement were received on 27th April, 1970 sent to Members on 4th May, 1970
61	81	Comrades Babu Singh Master and Kulwant Singh	29-10-69	Step motherly treatment meted out to the field staff of the Punjab Co-operative Department	The Local Bodies Minister laid a statement on the Table on 4th November, 1969
62	82	Shri Kewal Krishan and Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda	29-10-69	Declaration made by the Chief Minister that the State Government proposes to give religious instructions in the Government Schools in Punjab	The Industries Minister laid a statement on the Table on 6th November, 1969
63	83	Comrade Satya Pal Dang ..	29-10-69	Situation created by the decision of the Punjab Trade Union Congress to stage a mass Dharna of Industrial Workers before the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on 27th October, 1969, in support of their demands	Ditto
64	94	Comrade Babu Singh Master	29-10-69	Creation of new post of another DPI under political pressure in the present Punjab	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table on 26th November, 1969
65	96	Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi ..	29-10-69	Forcible ejectment of 20 Harijan families of village Kalewal, district Ludhiana (Bet area), from the lands on lease with them	The Industries Minister laid a statement on the Table on 6th November, 1969

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66	97	Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal	29-10-69	Forcible ejectment of Rai Sikhs and other Backward Classes settled in certain villages of tehsil Ajnala, district Amritsar	The Industries Minister laiad a statement on the Table on 6th November, 1969
67	98	Ch. Satya Dev ..	29-10-69	Great damage caused to the 'Narma' cotton crop in Abohar area due to cuts made in canals in spite of shortage of water etc.	The Local Bodies Minister laid a statement on the Table on 4th November, 1969
68	77	Sardar Santokh Singh Randhawa and Ch. Ram Singh	29-10-69	High-handedness being perpetrated on the Sub-Inspectors and Inspectors of Co-operative Department in the State	The Chief Minister made a statement in the House on 29th October, 1969
69	73	Sathi Rup Lal ..	29-10-69	Injustice towards Harijan employees in the services	Not taken up as the Member was not present in the House
70	79	Master Gurbanta Singh ..	29-10-69	Allocation of Rs. 25 lakhs for building Dharamsala for Harijans	Ditto
71	71	Ch. Balbir Singh ..	30-10-69	A great unrest prevailing amongst the employees on account of demotion of some S.D.Os. by the Chief Engineer, Irrigation Department	The Industries Minister laid a statement on the Table on 6th November, 1969
72	107	Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi ..	30-10-69	Excessive over-crowding in the buses and discriminatory treatment of the operators to the passengers	Copies of the statement were received on 26th November, 1969 and sent to Members on 1st December, 1969
73	106	Ditto	30-10-69	Prices fixed by the Government for paddy and maize not being offered the peasants in rural markets	Copies of the statement were received on 18th December, 1969 and sent to Members on 26th December, 1969
74	108	Ditto	30-10-69	Unauthorised structures constructed by certain persons on the P.W.D. lands near roads throughout the State	Statement not received
75	109	Vaid Kartar Singh ..	30-10-69	Most inadequate supply of electricity for tubewells and domestic consumption in Hoshiarpur	Copies of the statement were received on 2nd December, 1969 and sent to Members on 3rd December, 1969
76	119	Sarvshri Sardari Lal Kapur and Joginder Pal Pandey	30-10-69	Ejectment of 15, 20 Harijan families of village Kalewal, district Ludhiana (Bet area)	Copies of the statement were received on 17th November, 1969 and sent to Members on 20th November, 1969
77	123	Bhagat Guran Das Hans ..	30-10-69	Non-grant of proprietary rights to the occupants of Balmiki huts (Gandhi Nagar) in Pathankot	Statement not received

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78	101	Comrades Satya Pal Dang and Dana Ram	30-10-69	Dangerous condition of buildings of many Government Schools in the State	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table on 26th November, 1969
79	102	Ditto	30-10-69	Acute discontentment prevailing amongst the working class of Batala on the arrest of a number of workers including those on hunger strike	Copies of the statement were received on 12th May, 1970 and sent to Members on 13th May, 1970
80	135	Giani Kundan Singh Patang	30-10-69	Grant of loans under M.I.G.H. Scheme to urbanites and not to the rural people for construction of their houses	Copies of the statement were received on 28th November, 1969 and sent to Members on 1st December, 1969
81	136	Sardar Raja Singh	30-10-69	Unrest prevailing amongst the work-charged employees of P.W.D. for the non-implementation of the recommendations for revision of their pay scales	Statement not received
82	137	Ditto	30-10-69	Situation arising out of the Dharna being staged by the Punjab Government Mechanical Workers' Union	The Industries Minister laid a statement on the Table on 6th November, 1969
83	144	Vaid Kartar Singh	30-10-69	Undue delay in the payment of scholarships to the Harijan students in the State in general and Hoshiarpur in particular	Copies of the statement were received on 23rd December, 1969 and sent to Members on 26th December, 1969
84	127	Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda	30-10-69	Uncalled arrest of eminent persons like Sardar Sohan Singh Jalalusman, Ex-M.L.A. President, District Congress Committee (Rural) Amritsar, and other Congress leaders	Copies of the statement were received on 26th November, 1969 and sent to Members on 1st December, 1969
85	131	Sardar Santokh Singh Randhawa	30-10-69	Non-completion of the Batala-Dera Baba Nanak Road	Copies of the statement were received on 18th February, 1970 and sent to Members on 22nd February, 1970

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86	134	Dr. Amir Singh ..	30-10-69	Act of hooliganism indulged in by the volunteers of Bir Khalsa Dal at Ludhiana	Copies of the statement were received on 18th December, 1969 and sent to Members on 26th December, 1969
87	135	Ditto	30-10-69	Giving up of the metalling of road from Tanda to Garhdiwala	Copies of the statement were received on 25th February, 1970 and sent to Members on 2nd March, 1970
88	128	Comrades Babu Singh Master, Satya Pal Dang and Dana Ram	30-10-69	Failure of the police to act against the landlords responsible for the murder of a Harijan Shri Kehar Singh of village Jolan Kalan	Copies of the statement were received on 23rd January, 1970 and sent to Members on 27th January, 1970
89	129	Comrades Satya Pal Dang and Dana Ram	30-10-69	Complete failure of electricity due to damage to Power House at Verka (Amritsar)	Covered by the statement made by the Irrigation and Power Minister on 5th November, 1969 vide S. No. 94
90	125	Sardar Kirpal Singh	30-10-69	Taking away of the dead body of Sardar Darshan Singh Pheruman by the Police etc.	Copies of the statement were received on 26th November, 1969 and sent to Members on 1st December, 1969
91	99	Sardar Sarup Singh ..	30-10-69	Unauthorised occupation of Evacuee land near new Grain Market, Jullundur city by the Akali Dal and Jan Sangh workers	Not taken up as the Member was not present in the House
92	104	Ch. Satya Dev ..	30-10-69	Revision of pensions of retired Government Servants	Ditto
93	118	Sarvshri Sardari Lal Kapoor and Joginder Pal Pandey	30-10-69	Auctioning of land on which the Harijans were settled for the last 10-15 years in village Kara Bara, district Ludhiana	Ditto
94	18	(Adjournment Motion converted into Call Attention Motion) Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda	31-10-69	Breaking down of Verka Power Station hitting adversely the industries etc.	The Irrigation and Power Minister made a statement on 5th November, 1969
95	93	Ch. Balbir Singh ..	31-10-69	Torturing of Shri Moti Sagar, a businesss man in connection with the enquiry of Shri Lachhman Singh Gill	Copies of the statement were received on 30th May, 1970 and sent to Members on 1st June, 1970
96	141	Bawa Harnam Singh ..	31-10-69	Imposition of huge cuts in land allotment of the displaced persons from West Punjab	Copies of the statement were received on 7th November, 1969 and were sent to Members on 18th November, 1969
97	145	Jathedar Hardit Singh Bhathal, Sarvshri Dalip Singh Pandhi, Basant Singh, Tara Singh Lyalpuri, Gurdev Singh Badal, Naurang Singh, Kartar Singh, Raja Singh and Kundan Singh Patang	31-10-69	Slackness on the part of the Government in implementing the decision of the Government regarding lands of various categories in erstwhile Pepsu area allotted to Members of Scheduled Castes	Copies of the statement were received on 15th March, 1970 and sent to Members on 18th March, 1970

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98	146	Sardar Kirpal Singh ..	31-10-69	Unrest caused by the non-implementation of assurances of giving houses in industrial colonies to the labourers on hirepurchase basis	Copies of the Statement were received on 17th December, 1969 and sent to Members on 26th December, 1969
99	47	Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi ..	31-10-69	Cut imposed on the grant of loans to members of non-agricultural Co-operative Societies and other Harijan Co-operative Societies	Copies of the statement were received on 15th December, 1969 and sent to Members on 26th December, 1969.
100	148	Ditto ..	31-10-69	Non-promotion of employees belonging to Scheduled Castes and other Backward Classes to the posts of Assistants etc., by the D.P.I.	Copies of the statement were received on 20th January, 1970 and sent to Members on 21st January, 1970
101	86	Sh. Tulsi Ram Chauhan ..	3-11-69	Great dearth of drinking water in Balachaur Tehsil	Copies of the statement were received on 22nd January, 1970 and sent to Members on 27th January, 1970
102	138	Ch. Sunder Singh ..	3-11-69	Damage caused due to stoppage of U.B.D.C. Rajbah Nano Nangal, district Gurdaspur for the last one month	Copies of the statement were received on 7th November, 1969 and sent to Members on 18th November, 1969.
103	143	Ch. Kewal Krishan ..	3-11-69	Forcible collection of contributions by the Punjab Government for raising funds for the celebration of Quincentenary of Shri Guru Nanak Dev Ji	Copies of the statement were received on 23rd December, 1969 and sent to Members on 26th December, 1969
104	157	Ch. Satya Dev ..	3-11-69	Delapidated condition of the memorial of Shaheed-e-Azam Bhagat Singh and his compatriots	Copies of the statement were received on 22nd January, 1970 and sent to Members on 27th January, 1970
105	162	Ch. Satya Dev and Vaid Gian Chand	3-11-69	Discrimination against Hindi in Colleges affiliated to Punjabi University	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table on 26th November, 1969

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106	163	Giani Kundan Singh Patang ..	3-11-69	Non-completion of road from Dhuri to Raikot	Copies of the statement were received on 12th March, 1970 and sent to Members on 13th March, 1970
107	167	Comrades Kulwant Singh, Dana Ram, Babu Singh and Satya Pal Dang	3-11-69	Transfer of J.B.T. Teachers of Ludhiana District outside the district in contravention of the rules	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table on 26th November, 1969
108	168	Comrades Babu Singh Master, Kulwant Singh, Dana Ram and Satya Pal Dang	3-11-69	Non-promotion of trained graduate teachers to higher scale of pay	Ditto
109	170	Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal and Jathedar Hardit Singh Bhathal	3-11-69	Use of the terms 'Choohrha' and 'Chamar' in the Revenue records of the State in violation of the provisions of the Constitution	Copies of the statement were receivved on 22nd January, 1970 and sent to Members on 27th January, 1970
110	172	Comrade Babu Singh Master	3-11-69	Failure of the Government in draining out the water scattered on the Barnala-Baja Khana Road near Dialpura Bhai-Ka Bus Stop	Copies of the statement were received on 26th February, 1970 and sent to Members on 2nd March, 1970
111	150	Captain Nahar Singh ..	3-11-69	Forcibly ploughing of land which was under the possession of some Harijans and attacking them with deadly weapons at Raikot Road, Jagraon	Not taken up the Member was not present in the House.
112	159	Sardar Kirpal Singh ..	4-11-69	Arrest of leaders of various parties including an M.L.A. by the Police at village Pheruman on 30th October, 1969	Copies of the statement were received on 22nd December, 1969 and sent to Members on 26th December, 1969
113	176	Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda ..	4-11-69	Unemployment of large number of labourers due to closure of powerlooms of artificial Silk Industry at Amritsar	Statement not received
114	178	Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi ..	4-11-69	Harassment of truck operators engaged in carriage of stones etc., at Zirakpur barrier	Copies of the statement were received on 24th December, 1969 and sent to Members on 30th December, 1969
115	179	Comrades Satya Pal Dang, Babu Singh and Dana Ram	4-11-69	Exhorbitant black market prices at which Rickshaw tyres and tubes are actually available in the market	The Industries Minister laid a statement on the Table on 6th November, 1969
116	180	Comrades Satya Pal Dang and Dana Ram	4-11-69	Loss of employment and wages suffered by industrial workers of Amritsar due to almost continuous failure of electricity from 20th October, 1969 onwards	Copies of the statement were received on 10th March, 1970 and sent to Members on 11th March, 1970.

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Serial No.	Call attention notice No.	Member/Members Calling Attention	Date	Subject-matter	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6
117	181	Comrades Satya Pal Dang, Babu Singh Master and Kulwant Singh	4-11-69	Non-payment of salaries to the employees of Zila Parishad, Ropar, for the months of July and August, 1969	Copies of the statement were received on 26th November, 1969 and sent to Members on 1st December, 1969
118	184	Chaudhri Sunder Singh ..	4-11-69	Total exclusion of persons belonging to Scheduled Castes in the appointment of District Attorneys or Assistant District Attorneys	Copies of the statement were received on 28th November, 1969 and sent to Members on 1st December, 1969
119	185	Chaudhri Balbir Singh ..	4-11-69	The incidents following the arrest of Shri Dayal Singh at Khanna	Copies of the statement were received on 26th November, 1969 and sent to Members on 1st December, 1969
120	133	Captain Rattan Singh ..	4-11-69	The demands of the unadjusted (B.T.B.Ed.) Masters Association, Punjab	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table on 26th November, 1969
121	191	Shri Gurdial Saini ..	4-11-69	The non registration of sale of 600 four marla quarters constructed at Pritnagar Road, Jullundur	Copies of the statement were received on 27th February, 1970 and sent to Members on 12th March, 1970
122	194	Chaudhri Kewal Krishan ..	4.11-69	Misappropriation of funds of the Hoshiarpur District Wholesale Co operative Supply and Marketing Society	Statement were received
123	196	Captain Rattan Singh ..	4-11-69	The appeal of the family of late S. Darshan Singh Pheruman to the public not to participate in his 'Bhog' ceremony to avoid humiliation at the hands of the State Government	The Chief Minister laid a statement on the Table on 6th November, 1969
124	91	Chaudhri Kewal Krishan ..	5-11-69	The hardships of Talwara Block such as Water-supply and Medical Aid	Copies of the state ment were received on 26th November, 1969 and sent to Members on 1st December, 1969

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125	186	Chaudhri Balbir Singh ..	5-11-69	Shooting down of Rattan Singh of Phagwara dead on 2nd November, 1969	Copies of the statement were received on 26th November, 1969 and sent to Members on 1st December, 1969
126	122	S. Dalip Singh Pandhi ..	5-11-69	Coming late in the offices and going early by the Heads of Offices at Patiala	Copies of the statement were received on 24th February, 1970 and sent to Members on 2nd March, 1970
127	195	Com. Babu Singh Master ..	5-11-69	Failure of the Government in meeting out the genuine demands of classical vernacular teachers in the State	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table on 26th November, 1969
128	197	Com. Satya Pal Dang ..	5-11-69	Discontentment among Industrial Workers covered by E.S.I. Scheme because ambulance remained out of order for a long time	Ditto
129	198	Com. Babu Singh Master and Com. Satya pal Dang	5-11-69	Beating of one Kundan Lal, Head Clerk by Shri J. S. Bhullar, Executive Engineer, Project Pathankot and resentment amongst the employees	Ditto
130	199	Shri Sardari Lal Kapur ..	5-11-69	Shooting down Shri Rattan Singh to death and injuring his two companions in Phagwara	Copies of the statement were received on 26th November, 1969 and sent to Members on 1st December, 1969
131	201	S. Lachhman Singh ..	5-11-69	Cutting of canal khals in the border areas and harm to the small farmers, etc.	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table on 26th November, 1969
132	202	S. Lachhman Singh ..	5-11-69	The Government's intention to evict Rai Sikhs from the land on Ferozepur border area which they had reclaimed with great efforts	Copies of the statement were received on 19th March, 1970 and sent to Members on 20th March, 1970
133	204	Com. Darshan Singh Jhabal and Jathedar Hardit Singh Bhathal	5-11-69	Taking back by Zimindars lands left for Scheduled Castes during the consolidation operation to enable them to build their houses, etc.	Copies of the Statement were received on 29th January, 1970 and sent to Members on 4th February, 1970
134	205	S. Kirpal Singh ..	5-11-69	Construction of Rajbah to irrigate certain land in Amritsar District in the ilaqa of Bhikiwind	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table on 26th November, 1969
135	215	S. Santokh Singh ..	26-11-69	The hunger Strike resorted to by the Leader of the Laboratory Assistants of Government High/Higher Secondary Schools in the State	The Chief Minister made a statement on 26th November, 1969

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Serial No.	Call Attention Notice No.	Member/Members Calling Attention	Date	Subject-matter	REMARKS
1	2	3	4	5	6
136	216	Com. Satya Pal Dang ..	26-11-69	The reported intention of the Government to impose such new taxes as will hit the average citizens more than the rich classes	Copies of the Statement were received on 30th April, 1970 and sent to Members on 5th May, 1970
137	217	Com. Satya Pal Dang ..	26-11-69	The decision of the Punjab Subordinate Services Federation to protest against the refusal of the Government to accept their demands	Copies of the Statement were received on 25th June, 1970 and sent to Members on 26th June, 1970
138	219	S. Kirpal Singh ..	26-11-69	The increase in the adultration of articles of food, etc.	Statement not received
139	221	Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda	26-11-69	The discontentment prevailing in the Engineering Industry of Punjab, specially that of Amritsar due to scarcity of raw material	The Industries Minister made a Statement on 26th November, 1969
140	229	Com. Satya Pal Dang, Com. Kulwant Singh and Com. Dana Ram	26-11-69	The strike of over 500 workers of the Jagtjit Textile Mills, Phagwara	Statement not received
141	230	S. Santokh Singh ..	26-11-69	The decision to appoint the I.A.S. Secretary of Punjab State Electricity Board as a Member-cum-Secretary of the Board	Copies of the Statement were received on 19th January, 1970 and sent to Members on 21st January, 1970
142	231	Com. Darshan Singh Jhabal ..	26-11-69	The present position of the demands of various Teachers Unions who are sitting in dharna outside the Vidhan Bhawan	Copies of the Statement were received on 28th January 1970 and sent to Members on 30th January, 1970
143	232	S. Raja Singh ..	26-11-69	The serious damage caused to the standing vegetable crops by a new type of insect	Copies of the Statement were received on 20th February, 1970 and sent to Members on 2nd March, 1970

DISCUSSION UNDER RULE 84

Sr. No.	Member moving	Moved on	Discussed on	Subject-matter
1.	Sardar Umrao Singh	30-10-69	30-10-69	The situation arising out of the death of Sardar Darshan Singh Pheruman, who laid down his life for the inclusion of Chandigarh etc. in the State of Punjab.
2.	Comrade Satya Pal Dang.			
3.	Ch. Balbir Singh.			
4.	Jathedar Hardit Singh Bhathal.			
5.	Sardar Kirpal Singh.			
6.	Capt. Rattan Singh.			

Note 1.—The above motion was moved by the Deputy Leader of the Opposition (Capt. Rattan Singh) on behalf of other members,

Note 2.—On 26th November, 1969 consent was refused to another motion given notice by Sardar Umrao Singh on that day regarding discussion of the situation arising out of the threat of Sant Fateh Singh, Akali Leader, for committing self-immolation.

STATEMENT GIVEN BY A MINISTER UNDER RULE 64

Serial No.	Date	Made by	Subject-matter
1	5-11-69	Irrigation and Power Minister ..	Regarding outbreak of two disastrous fires in the Verka Power House which resulted in failure of electricity in Amritsar on the 21st and 22nd October, 1969.

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COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF SPEECHES MADE AND TIME TAKEN BY THE MEMBERS OF THE TREASURY BENCHES AND OPPOSITION GROUPS DURING THE SECOND (OCTOBER-NOVEMBER) SESSION, 1969

Number of speeches made by			Time taken by		
Treasury Benches			*Treasury Benches*		
Members (excluding Ministers)	Ministers	Members of the Opposition Party/Groups	Members (excluding Ministers)	Ministers	Members of the Opposition Party/Groups
			H. M.	H. M.	H. M.
14	24	151	2—00	3—15	20—33
7·41 (per cent)	12·70 (per cent)	79·89 (per cent)	7·75 (per cent)	12·59 (per cent)	79·64 (per cent)

Notes.—(1) Observations/Statements/Rulings, etc., by the Speaker and time taken thereon are not included in the above statement.

(2) Question hours have been excluded from the statement.

(3) Time taken on divisions, etc, is also excluded from the statement

FIGURES RELATING TO QUESTIONS

1.	Total number of sittings of the Sabha	..	13
2.	Number of questions (Starred and Unstarred) received	..	790
3.	Number of Short Notice Questions received	..	15
4.	Total number of sittings at which the question hour was dispensed with	..	..
5.	Number of Members from whom notices were received	..	36
6.	Total number of questions to which oral answers were given	..	128
7.	Largest number of questions orally answered on any one day	..	15
8.	Least number of questions orally answered on any one day	..	8
9.	Total number of Starred Questions converted into Unstarred Questions	..	40
10.	Total number of Unstarred Questions replied to	..	208
11.	Largest number of questions addressed to any one Minister—(Chief Minister)	..	115
12.	Largest number of questions orally answered by any one Minister (Chief Minister)	..	45
13.	Total number of statements supplied to the Members in reply to their questions	..	73

There was no Question Hour on the 21st October, 1969.

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QUESTIONS

There was no Question Hour on the 21st October, 1969

Statement

Questions	Number of notices received	Number admitted	Number disallowed. Referred back	Number not put	Number answered	Number deemed to have been answered under Rule 45	Number of supplementaries put	Remarks
Starred ..	502 (including 4 renewed questions)	360 (including 4 renewed questions)	142	6	128 Treasury.. 17 Opposition 57 C.P.I. 41 C.P.I. (M) 7 P.S.P. 6	175 Treasury 26 Opposition 78 C.P.I. 51 C.P.I. (M) 12 P.S.P. 6 S.S.P. .. 2	740	(1) Eleven Starred Questions could not be included in any list of questions (lapsed on Prorogation) (2) 40 Starred Questions were converted into Unstarred Questions and included in the Supplementary list of Unstarred Questions (converted as such from Starred) for the 26th November, 1969
Unstarred	288 (including 3 renewed questions)	209 (including 3 renewed questions)	79	..	208 Treasury 26 Opposition 51 C.P.I. 82 C.P.I. (M) 9 P.S.P. 40	..	..	One Unstarred Question could not be included in any list of questions (lapsed on Prorogation)
Short Notice	15	2	13	..	1 C.P.I. 1	..	..	No intimation in respect of one question was received from the Government

STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS ANSWERED DATE-WISE

Date	Treasury	Opposition	C.P.I.	C.P.I. (M)	P.S.P.	S.S.P.	Total
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
22nd October, 1969 ..	1	3	5	..	2	..	11
23rd October, 8969 ..	5	3	2	..	3	..	13
24th October, 1969 ..	2	2	5	1	..	..	10
27th October, 1969 ..	..	5	4	1	1	..	11
29th October, 1969 ..	1	4	4	2	..	..	11
30th October, 1969 ..	2	5	3	..	..	..	10
31st October, 1969 ..	2	6	5	2	..	..	15
3rd November, 1969 ..	..	5	3	..	..	..	8
4th November, 1969 ..	..	6	5	..	..	..	11
5th November, 1969 ..	..	5	2	1	..	..	8
6th November, 1969 ..	..	8	1	..	..	..	9
26th November, 1969 ..	4	5	2	..	..	..	11
Total ..	17	57	41	7	6	..	128

There was no Question Hour on the 21st October, 1969.

STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS DEEMED TO HAVE BEEN ANSWERED UNDER RULE 45 DATE-WISE

Date ..	Treasury	Opposition	C.P.I.	C.P.I. (M)	P.S.P.	S.S.P.	Total
22nd October, 1969 ..	3	13	13	4	3	..	36
23rd October, 1969 ..	1	3	..	..	..	..	4
24th October, 1969 ..	2	3	7	2	..	..	14
27th October, 1969 ..	..	5	2	2	1	..	10
29th October, 1969 ..	2	17	13	4	1	..	37
30th October, 1969 ..	2	7	3	..	..	..	12
31st October, 1969 ..	1	2	..	..	..	..	3
3rd November, 1969 ..	..	13	5	..	1	2	21
4th November, 1969 ..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
6th November, 1969 ..	4	2	4	..	..	..	10
26th November, 1969	11	12	4	..	..	..	27
Total ..	26	78	51	12	6	2	175

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STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS IN THE NAMES OF DIFFERENT MINISTERS DATE-WISE

Date	Chief Minister	Industries Minister	Irrigation and Power Minister	Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister	Finance Minister	Social Welfare Minister	Food and Supplies Minister	Development and Animal Husbadry Minister	Education Minister	Local Government Minister	Minister of State for Finance and Forests	Minister of State for Industries and Health	Total
21st October, 1969 ..	4	1	3	3	4	1	1	..	5	..	..	3	25
22nd October, 1969 ..	11	2	5	1	4	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	25
23rd October, 1969 ..	11	1	2	3	..	1	..	..	5	..	..	2	25
24th October, 1969 ..	14	2	1	1	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	25
27th October, 1969 ..	5	2	3	2	3	..	1	2	5	..	..	2	25
28th October, 1969 ..	9	..	3	1	1	1	..	1	5	..	..	4	25
29th October, 1969 ..	9	1	3	4	4	..	..	1	3	..	..	...	25
30th October, 1969 ..	5	3	3	3	3	1	..	..	4	..	..	..	22
1st October, 1969 ..	9	2	3	1	1	..	..	1	5	..	..	1	23
3rd November, 1969 ..	10	1	4	..	1	3	..	..	1	1	..	1	22
4th November, 1969 ..	4	..	3	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	.		9
5th November, 1969 ..	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	2	1	..	..	8
6th November, 1969 ..	7	2	7	..	3	..	..	1	1	4	..	..	25
26th November, 1969 ..	14	..	5	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	3	25
Total	115	17	45	20	24	10	2	8	45	6	..	17	309

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STARRED QUESTIONS POSTPONED FROM VARIOUS LISTS OF STARRED QUESTIONS AGAIN INCLUDED IN THE LISTS OF POSTPONED STARRED QUESTIONS AS DETAILED BELOW

29th October, 1969	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
3rd November, 1969	..	1	..	1	..	2	1	..	1	1	..	..	2	9
4th November, 1969	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	4
5th November, 1969	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
26th November, 1969	..	5	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	3	2	..	..	13
Total	..	7	..	1	2	5	1	..	2	5	2	..	3	28

Notes—(1) There was no Question Hour on the 21st October, 1969 and questions printed in the list of questions for the 21st October, 1969 were taken up on the 22nd October, 1969 along with the list of questions for 22nd October, 1969.

(2) The Assembly did not meet on the 28th October, 1969. Questions printed in the list of questions for the 28th October were taken up on the 29th October, 1969 along with the list of questions for 29th October, 1969.

WALK OUTS

Serial No.	Date	Members walking out	Occasion
1	4-11-69	Chaudhri Ram Singh	As a protest on having not been given time to speak during the discussion on the Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill.
2	6-11-69	All Members of the Opposition belonging to Congress, S.S.P., P.S.P., Swatantra and an independent	On having failed to get a policy statement made by the Government promptly on the Call Attention Notice (No. 196) admitted on 4th November, 1969 regarding reported appeal of the Members of family of late S. Darshan Singh Pheruman to the people, not to undertake journey to Pheruman village to participate in his 'Bhog' ceremony and suffer humiliation at the hands of State Government.
3	6-11-69	Members belonging to C.P.I. and C.P.I.(M)	As a protest against what these Members termed as 'large scale misuse of Punjab Security Act'.

DIVISIONS

Serial No.	Date	Recorded/not recorded	Occasion	Result
1	22-10-69	Not recorded ..	On an amendment to clause 3 of the Punjab Public Premises and Land (Eviction and Rent Recovery) Amendment Bill, 1969	The amendment was declared lost
2	29-10-69	Recorded Ayes—52 Noes—18	On the motion that time fixed for the presentation of the Report of the *Ad hoc* Committee be extended till the 31st March, 1970	The Motion was declared carried
3	5-11-69	Not recorded	On the Censure Motion against Shri Krishan Lal, Finance and Labour Minister	The Motion was declared lost
4	6-11-69	Recorded Ayes—27 Noes—42	When Com. Satya Pal Dang asked for leave to move the Punjab Public Men (Inquiries) Bill, 1969	Leave to introduce the Bill was refused.
5	26-11-69	Not recorded	On the Motion under rule 16, when the C.M. moved that the Assembly at its rising this day shall stand adjourned *sine-die*	The Motion was declared carried

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UNPARLIAMENTARY/UNDESIRABLE EXPRESSIONS

Expressions		Date
ਗੁੰਡਾ	(When used with reference to a Member of the House)	29-10-1969
ਰੂਲਜ਼ ਨੂੰ ਮਿਟੀ ਵਿਚ ਰੋਲਿਆ ਜਾ ਰਿਹਾ ਹੈ	(When used with reference to the Chair)	29-10-1969
ਆਪ ਮੈਨੂੰ ਇਕ ਮੈਜਿਸਟਰੇਟ ਦੇ ਸਾਇਲ ਦੀ ਤਰ੍ਹਾਂ ਖਿਚ ਰਹੇ ਹੋ।	(When used with reference to the Speaker)	26th November, 1969
ਜਿਸ ਤਰ੍ਹਾਂ ਤੁਸੀਂ ਨਿਯਮਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਉਤਪੰਨ ਕਰ ਰਹੇ ਹੋ ਇਸ ਨਾਲ ਮੈਂਬਰਾਂ ਦੇ ਬੁਨਿਆਦੀ ਹੱਕਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਨਸ਼ਟ ਭ੍ਰਸ਼ਟ ਕਰ ਕੇ ਰਖ ਦਿਉਗੇ, ਜਿਸ ਨੂੰ ਇਹ ਸਦਨ ਕਦੇ ਬਰਦਾਸ਼ਤ ਨਹੀਂ ਕਰੇਗਾ	(When used with reference to the Chair)	26th November, 1969

OBSERVATIONS MADE BY THE SPEAKER ON THE 24TH OCTOBER, 1969 REGARDING MAINTAINING THE DECORUM OF THE HOUSE.

I would request the Hon. Ministers and the Members to keep the decorum of the House so that the proceedings are conducted smoothly. It is not proper to speak on a point of order which has been declared out of order.

OBSERVATION MADE BY THE SPEAKER ON THE 24TH OCTOBER 1969 REGARDING THE ADMISSIBILITY OF CALL ATTENTION MOTIONS

I would like to bring this fact to the notice of the House that under Rule 73 not more than three Call Attention Motions can be admitted. Much of the time of the House can be saved if one strictly adheres to this Rule. We should take up those three Call Attention Motions by ballot instead of taking them in order of their receipt in the Secretariat.

OBSERVATION MADE BY THE SPEAKER ON THE 27TH OCTOBER, 1969, REGARDING REFUSAL BY THE MINISTER TO GIVE REPLY TO A QUESTION PUT BY AN HON. MEMBER

The hon. Minister has the right to answer or not to answer the question of the hon. Member.

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OBSERVATION MADE BY THE CHAIR ON 30TH OCTOBER, 1969 REGARDING ADMISSIBILITY OF ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS.

'The Speaker gives his consent to the moving of an adjournment motion if he is satisfied that the matter sought to be raised is definite, urgent and of public importance. Because the matter proposed to be discussed is a definite matter of urgent public importance, the Speaker is not as a matter of course bound to rule the motion in order. A matter may be urgent, it may be definite, it may be of public importance, and yet the Speaker may in a proper case disallow such a motion. The refusal to give consent, is in the absolute discretion of the Speaker and he is not bound to give any reasons.'

It was further observed—

'Where the Speaker is satisfied *prima facie* that the matter proposed to be discussed is in order under the Rules, he gives his consent to the moving of the motion.

Where, however, the Speaker is satisfied *prima facie* that the notice of an adjournment motion is inadmissible, he refuses his consent without bringing the matter before the House and the member concerned is informed of the Speaker's decision. Where it is a border line case or the Speaker is not in possession of full facts to decide the admissibility of a notice, he may mention in the House the receipt of the motion and after hearing a brief statement from the member and/or the Minister concerned, whether the matter sought to be raised is within the rules, give his decision on merit.

After a member is informed of the Speaker's decision withholding his consent, no question is permitted to be raised in the House either on the subject-matter of the notice or reasons for disallowance thereof. If, however, a member would like to make a submission to the Speaker to reconsider his decision, he can do so either in person to the Speaker in his Chamber later during the day or by submitting a written representation to the Speaker in that behalf...

I would request all the hon. Members to follow this procedure.'

OBSERVATIONS MADE BY THE SPEAKER ON THE 5TH NOVEMBER, 1969. REGARDING THE ADMISSIBILITY OF TWO No-CONFIDENCE MOTIONS AGAINST THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND LABOUR.

On the 23rd October, 1969, when the point regarding the admissibility of ~~two~~ No-Confidence Motions, one given notice of by Captain Rattan Singh and 11 other Congress Members and the second by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and others was discussed, my colleague hon. Deputy Speaker was in the Chair. After hearing the views of Members from various sides of the House, he reserved the ruling. I have gone through the record of the relevant proceedings of the House.

Rule 65 of our Rules of Procedure reads :—

"65(1)

A motion expressing want of confidence in, or disapproving the policy in a particular respect of a Minister or the Ministry as a whole, may be made, subject to the following restrictions, namely :—

(a) leave to make the motion shall be asked for after questions and before the business on the list for the day is entered upon ;

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(b) the member asking for leave just before the commencement of the sitting of the day shall leave with the Secretary a written notice of the motion which he proposes to make.

Article 164(2) of the Constitution provides that the Council of Ministers shall be collectively responsible to the Legislative Assembly of the State. The question raised on the 23rd was that Rule 65 was inconsistent with the provision contained in Article 164(2).

I have carefully read the relevant Constitutional provisions and the Rules. To me, it appears that our Rule 65 is partly in conflict with Article 164(2). This is my view but it should not be regarded as my ruling.

The question before me is whether as Speaker, I am competent to declare any rule of the House inconsistent with any provision of the Constitution and, therefore, inoperative and invalid. My answer is in the negative. As the House is aware, these Rules were deemed to have been approved by the House and represent the collective decisions and if I may say so, the orders of the House. As Speaker, it is my duty to conduct the proceedings in accordance with the rules and nowhere have I been empowered to ignore or by-pass any rule. I am the servant of the House and am not expected to flout its decisions, which in the present case, are concretised in the form of Rules. It has been pointed out to me—and I think quite justifiably—that I have taken an oath to bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution and am required to uphold it.I am quite clear in my mind that a Rule of this House cannot override a specific constitutional provision. But at the same time, it is clear beyond any shadow of doubt that the Speaker's ruling cannot override a rule of the House. It has to be in conformity with the Rules. It is the House alone which is competent to rescind, suspend or modify its rules.

So long as Rule 65 in its present form is a part of our Rules, I cannot ignore it. However, with a view to find some way out of this *impasse*, I discussed this matter informally with the Deputy Leader of the Opposition, Comrade Satya Pal Dang and other Members as also with the Chief Minister. With the consent of the hon. Members who have given notice of No-Confidence Motions, I have admitted these as censure motions.

I am referring Rule 65 to the Rules Committee to suggest, in view of the discussion that took place in the House earlier regarding the admissibility of No-Confidence Motions against individual Ministers, what amendments are called for in this Rule.

RULINGS GIVEN BY THE SPEAKER/DEPUTY SPEAKER

Ruling given by the Deputy Speaker on the 22nd October, 1969 regarding the competence of the Speaker to give a ruling about the constitutionality of a Bill.

Chaudhri Ram Singh has urged me to give a ruling on the constitutionality of the Bill before the House [Punjab State Aid to Industries (Amendment) Bill]. I would like to inform the hon. Member that I am not competent to give a ruling on the constitutionality or otherwise of any legislative measure.

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Ruling given by the Speaker on the 29th October, 1969 regarding the giving of Personal Explanation by the Members.

A personal explanation can be given only in respect of those allegations which are levelled in the House.

Ruling given by the Speaker on 6th November, 1969 regarding the right of a Member to give personal explanation about a charge not levelled in the House.

Sirdar Kapur Singh, you have alleged in your communication written to me, "He (Sirdar Atma Singh, Revenue Minister) also made a counter charge against me that I too had failed to publish a public statement of the financial assistance that I might have received from friends during my last election campaign." I will not contest the right of the hon. Member to offer personal explanation ; it is his sacred right. I have enquired into the matter. The record of the House has been examined. The hon. Minister concerned has been consulted. After making all these enquiries, I have come to the conclusion that the hon. Minister did not make charges against the hon. Member.

POINTS OF ORDER AND RULINGS THEREON

Whether it is in order for the Secretary to make an announcement in the House about the absence of the hon. Speaker and request the Deputy Speaker to take the Chair.

It was held that such an announcement was necessary under the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the House.

(On 21st October, 1969, the hon. Speaker being unavoidably absent the Secretary announced the fact in the House at the commencement of the sitting and requested the hon. Deputy Speaker to take the Chair. At this, an hon. Member raised the above point of order and the Chair ruled as above.)

Whether a point of order can be raised about a matter which is not before the House.

It was held that a point of order should pertain to a motion which is before the House.

(On 29th October, 1969 when the Speaker informed the House that he had extended the time for the presentation of the Report of the *Ad hoc* Committee, objection was taken about the legality of the constitution of the Committee as the consent of one of the members had not been taken. The Speaker ruled that no such motion was before the House.)

Whether the Speaker is competent to—

(i) grant extension of time to an *Ad hoc* Committee for the presentation of its report even after the first sitting of the Vidhan Sabha ;

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(ii) bring up this matter before the House on a day subsequent to the one on which the Vidhan Sabha meets ;

It was held that the Speaker was competent to allow the extension to a date beyond the day of the first sitting of the House and he could inform the House about it on any sitting after the House meets for the first sitting.

(On the 29th October, 1969, the hon. Speaker informed the House that he had granted extension for the presentation of the report of the *Ad hoc* Committee upto the 24th November, 1969, on being approached by the Chairman of the Committee when the House was not in session.)

Whether it is obligatory for the Speaker to read out an Adjournment Motion which is declared inadmissible by him.

It was held that it was not binding upon the Chair to do so.

(On 31st October, 1969, the Speaker disallowed an Adjournment Motion given notice of by a member. That Member rose on a point of order and insisted that at least his motion might be read out in the House. The Speaker observed that there was no such provision in the rules and gave the above ruling.)

Whether a ruling by the Chair could be discussed in the House through a point of Order.

It was held that this could not be done.

(On 31st October, 1969 Mr. Speaker disallowed a Privilege Motion and an Adjournment Motion. The Members concerned rising on points of Order started discussing the rulings of the Speaker rejecting the Motions. At this the Speaker observed that the Ruling given by him could not be discussed like that in the House. The Members were, however, welcome to his Chamber to discuss this matter.)

Whether a Minister can disown the responsibility of the acts done by the previous Government.

It was held that the Government is a continuity and a Minister cannot disown responsibility for the acts done by a previous Government.

(On 3rd November, 1969, during question hour, when a Minister in reply to a supplementary question said that some instructions might have been issued during the previous Governments' time, a Member raised this point at which the Chair gave the above ruling.)

Whether any hon. Member can criticise any Government servant who could not defend himself in the House.

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It was held that this could be done.

(On the 4th November, 1969 an Hon. Member, while speaking on the Appropriation Bill, levelled charges against a particular Government servant. Sirdar Kapur Singh raised this point of order and the Chair gave the above ruling.)

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APPENDIX

BULLETINS

containing brief record of the proceedings of the meetings of the Fifth Vidhan Sabha held during Autumn Session, 1969.

BULLETIN NO. 1

Tuesday, The 21st October, 1969.

(Brief record of the proceedings of the meeting of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha held on Tuesday, the 21st October, 1969 from 2.00 p.m. to 3.15 p.m.)

I. Absence of the Speaker

The Secretary informed the House that the Speaker was unavoidably absent and that the Deputy Speaker would take the Chair.

II. Obituary References

The Chief Minister made references to the death of the late:—

1. Dr. Zakir Hussain, President of India,
2. Sardar Lachhman Singh Gill, Ex-Chief Minister of Punjab,
3. Sardar Kartar Singh Qaumi, M.L.C.,
4. Chaudhri Jagdish Chander, M.L.A., Haryana Vidhan Sabha,
5. Sardar Pritam Singh Sidhu, Ex-M.L.A.,
6. Professor Humayun Kabir, Ex-M.P. and former Union Minister.
7. Dr. P.N. Sapru, Ex-M.P.,
8. Baba Karam Singh Chima, Veteran Revolutionary, and
9. Dr. Ho-Chi-Minh, President of North Vietnam,

and expressed the view that the House be adjourned as a mark of respect to the memories of the deceased and the messages of condolence sent to the members of the bereaved families.

Capt. Rattan Singh (Congress), Comrade Satya Pal Dang (C.P.I.), Jathedar Hardit Singh Bhathal [C.P. (M)], Chaudhri Balbir Singh (S.S.P.), Sardar Kirpal Singh (P.S.P.), Sardar Basant Singh (Swatantra) and Shri Balram Das Tandon, Minister for Industries, made short speeches.

The Deputy Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed by all the sections of the House.

The House stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased, and adjourned till 9.00 a.m. on Wednesday, the 22nd October, 1969.

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BULLETIN No. 2

Wednesday, the 22nd October, 1969

(Brief record of the proceedings of the meeting of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha held on Wednesday, the 22nd October, 1969 from 9.00 a.m. to 1.07 p.m.)

I. Absence of the Speaker

The Secretary informed the House that the Speaker was unavoidably absent and the Deputy Speaker would take the Chair.

II. Questions

(a) Starred—

Total No. of questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	No. of Supplementaries
50	11	3	..	62

The remaining starred questions were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly.

(b) Unstarred—83

III. Adjournment Motions

(i) Adjournment Motion (No. 1) given notice of by Comrade Babu Singh Master and three other M.L.A.s on 'the serious situation in the State arising out of the failure of the Government of India in resolving the dispute regarding Chandigarh etc.';

(ii) Adjournment Motion (No. 3) given notice of by Sardar Umrao Singh regarding 'the fast-unto-death undertaken by Shri Darshan Singh Pheruman for the inclusion of Chandigarh in the State of Punjab etc.';

(iii) Adjournment Motion (No. 4) given notice of by Chaudhri Balbir Singh regarding 'the condition of Shri Darshan Singh Pheruman who was on fast-unto-death having taken a serious turn';

were disallowed on the ground that these were not accompanied by explanatory memoranda and were, therefore, not in conformity with the requirement of the Rules of Procedure.

The Chief Minister, however, agreed to discuss the matter raised in the motion as and when decided by the House.

(iv) Adjournment Motion (No. 2) given notice of by Com. Satya Pal Dang and others regarding 'the serious situation arising out of the anti-labour policy of the Government and the misuse of the official position by the Minister for Labour for partisan ends' was disallowed on the ground that the conduct of a Minister could only be discussed on a substantive motion.

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IV. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 2) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and Com. Babu Singh Master regarding 'the peasants being forced to sell their paddy to private parties at prices considerably lower than those fixed by the Government';

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 3) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and Comrade Babu Singh Master regarding 'the declared intention of the Government to get the Hindu Succession Act amended with a view to deprive daughters of share in the property of their fathers especially in agricultural land';

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 4) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and Comrade Babu Singh Master regarding 'the action of the Waqf Board in leasing out graveyards for the purpose of farming';

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 6) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and Comrade Babu Singh Master regarding 'the extremely anomalous situation arising out as a result of the recent Supreme Court Judgement invalidating the provincialization of Municipal and D.B. Schools';

(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 7) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang regarding 'discontentment amongst the PSEB employees in the State because of the murderous attacks on the number of their colleagues';

(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 8) give by Comrade Satya Pal Dang regarding the decision of the Federal Executive of the Punjab Subordinate Services Federation against the dilatory tactics of the Government in the matter of arriving at negotiated settlement for removing the anomalies in the Report of the Pay Commission';

(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 9) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang regarding 'discontentment prevailing in the public of Phagwara because of failure of the Government to launch a Criminal case against Shri Harjit Singh, a Police Officer' ;

(8) Call Attention Notice (No. 10) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang regarding 'the reported fact that scholarships of about 15,000 Harijan students in the State have been stopped by the Government';

(9) Call Attention Notice (No. 11) given by Sardar Parshotam Singh regarding 'destruction of crops by rain water in certain villages of Budhlada Block, District Bhatinda';

(10) Call Attention Notice (No. 12) given by Chaudhri Kewal Krishan regarding 'the water of Shah Nahar irrigating Mukerian Block being blocked due to the accumulation of stones and silt at the source due to rains';

(11) Call Attention (No. 13) given by Chaudhri Kewal Krishan regarding' 'discontentment prevailing in the public in connection with the compulsion of medium of instruction in the State';

(12) Call Attention Notice (No. 14) given by Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda regarding 'frequent breakdown of electric supply in Amritsar';

(13) Call Attention Notice (No. 15) given by Sardar Shashpal Singh regarding 'the dangerous situation created as a result of negligence of the traffic authorities'; and

(14) Call Attention Notice (No. 16) given by Sardar Shashpal Singh regarding 'the situation created by the fire which broke out on the morning of the 20th October, 1969 at the Electricity Sub-Station at Amritsar'

were admitted and the Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect thereof.

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V. Papers laid on the Table

(i) The Minister for Industries ; laid on the Table the Punjab Ordinances Nos. 2 to 12 of 1969.

(ii) The Chief Minister ; laid on the Table :—

(i) the Fourth Annual Report of the Punjab Agricultural Univerisity, for the year 1955-56 as required under section 34 of the Punjab Agricultural University Act, 1961 ;

(ii) the Fifth Annual Report of the Punjab Agricultural University, for the year 1966-67 as required under section 34 of the Punjab Agricultural Act, 1961 ;

(iii) the Third Annual Report and Accounts of the Land Development and Seed Corporation Ltd., for the the year 1967-68 as required under section 619A (3) of the Companies Act, 1956; and

(iv) the Notification No. 282/4/PB/69 dated the 7th July, 1969, regarding the correction of spelling errors in the Delimitation of Parlia, mentary and Assembly Constituencies Order, 1966, as required under section 10(3) of the Delimitation Act, 1962.

(iii) Minister for Industries ; laid on the Table the Annual Reports on the working of The Punjab Steel and Alloys Castings Ltd., Chandigarh,for the years 1966 1967 and 1968, as required under section 619 A (3) of the Companies Act, 1966.

VI. First Report of the Business Advisory Committee

The Deputy Speaker presented the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.

The motion moved by the Chief Parliamentary Secretary :—

"That this House agrees with the recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee," was carried.

VII. Announcement by the Secretary

That the following Bills which were passed by the Punjab Legislature during its Budget Session, 1969 had since been assented to by the President of India/Governor of Punjab :—

1. The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1969,
2. The Punjab Legislative Council (Allowances of Members) Amendment, Bill, 1969
3. The Punjab Legislative Assembly (Allowances of Members) Amendment, Bill, 1969,

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4. The Pepsu Townships Development Board (Amendment) Bill, 1969,

5. The Land Acquisition (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1969,

6. The Punjab Ayurvedic and Unani Practitioners (Amendment) Bill, 1969, and

7. The East Punjab Holdings (Consolidation and Prevention of Fragmentation) Validation Bill, 1969.

VIII. Legislative Business

1. The Punjab Official Language (Amendment) Bill, 1969

The Education Minister introduced the Bill and moved that "the Punjab Official Language (Amendment) Bill, 1969 be taken into consideration at once."

The Motion was put and carried. The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

Clause 2

Amendment to Clause 2 was put and lost after S. Umrao Singh spoke for 7 minutes and Education Minister made a few remarks. The Clause was put and carried.

Clause I and Title were put and carried. The motion that the Bill be passed was put and carried.

2. The Punjab Public Premises and Land (Eviction and Rent Recovery) Amendment Bill, 1969

The Revenue Minister, with a few observations, introduced the Bill and moved that "The Punjab Public Premises and Land (Eviction and Rent Recovery) Amendment Bill, 1969 be taken into consideration at once."

One Member from S.S.P. one from Opposition (Congress) and one from C.P.I. and one from the Treasury Benches spoke for 3, 5, 6, and 1 minute respectively. The Revenue Minister made a few remarks. The motion was put and carried. The Bill was then taken into consideration clause by clause.

Clause 2

Amendment to clause 2 was moved with a few observations by a member of C.P.I. and put and lost.

The Clause was put and carried.

Clause 3

Amendment to Clause 3 was moved by a member of C. P. I., who spoke for 3 minutes. A member from S.S.P. spoke for 3 minutes and a member from the Opposition made a few remarks.

The amendment was put to vote of the House. The opinion of the Chair was challenged. Division bells were rung. The motion was again put to the vote and members were asked to stand in their places. The amendment was declared lost. The clause was put and carried.

Clauses 4, 5, 6 were put and carried.

Amendment to Clause 7 was lost and the clause was put and carried.

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Clause 8

Amendments to Clause 8 were put and lost after one member each from C.P.I. Opposition (Congress) and S.S.P. spoke for 1, 3 and 3 minutes respectively. The Clause was put and carried.

Clauses 9, 1 and Title were put and carried and the Bill was passed.

III. The Punjab State Aid to Industries (Amendment) Bill, 1969

The Industries Minister introduced the Bill and moved that "The Punjab State Aid to Industries (Amendment) Bill, 1969 be taken into consideration at once."

Four Members from the Opposition (Congress), one from P.S.P., One from C.P.I. and one from S.S.P. spoke for 25, 8, 16 and 11 minutes respectivly. The motion was put after the Industries Minister spoke for 9 minutes and carried.

Clause 2

All the amendments deemed to have been moved. A member from C.P.I. spoke for 5 minutes.

The Clause was carried.

Clauses 3, 4, 1 and Title were put and carried and Bill was passed.

Sardar Shashpal Singh, a member of Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 11.12 a.m. to 11.23 a.m.

The House was adjourned till 9.00 a.m. on the 23rd October, 1969.

BULLETIN No. 3

Thursday, the 23rd October, 1969

(Brief record of the proceedings of the meeting of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha held on Thursday, the 23rd October, 1969 from 9.00 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.)

I. Absence of the Speaker

The Secretary informed the House that the Speaker was unavoidably absent and that the Deputy Speaker would take the Chair.

II. Questions

(a) Starred—

Total No. of Questions on the order paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	No. of Supplementaries
25	13	7	..	59

The remaining starred questions were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly.

(b) Unstarred—Nil.

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III. Adjournment Motions

(i) Adjournment Motion (No. 5) given notice of by Sardar Santokh Singh Randhawa regarding 'failure of State Government in allotting any funds for raising a memorial in the name of Shri Guru Nanak Dev Ji in the town of Dera Baba Nanak, district Gurdaspur', was disallowed on the ground that the motion was not accompanied by an explanatory memorandum, as required under the Rules of Procedure.

(ii) Adjournment Motion (No. 6) given notice of by Dr. Amir Singh regarding 'entry of Police Constables without the permission of the Principal in the Government College, Hoshiarpur and beating up of a student resulting in a strike in the College' was disallowed on the ground that the motion was not accompanied by an explanatory memorandum, as required under the Rules of Procedure.

IV. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 18) given by Sardar Sarup Singh regarding 'absence of drainage of sullage water in village Dakoha, near Jullundur Cantt. ' ;

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 19) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and three other M.L.As. regarding 'the acute discontentment prevailing amongst the Para Medical and Health employees because of failure of the Government in implementing the agreements with them ' ;

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 20) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and three other M.L.As. regarding 'the failure of the Government in checking the ejectment of poor Harijans and Kisan tenants ' ;

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 21) given by Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal regarding 'heavy damage caused to the rice crop at the ripening stage as a result of the closure of Canals in Amritsar District ' ;

(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 22) given by Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal regarding 'failure of Government in implementing the announcement about giving facilities to the residents of the border villages ' ;

(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 23) given by Master Gurbanta Singh regarding 'putting off the election of the office bearers of Mandi Fantonganj Market Committee, Jullundur City resulting in non-functioning of the Committee ' ;

(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 24) given by Master Gurbanta Singh regarding 'the disruption of supply of electric energy for tubewells in Jullundur District causing damage to the crops ' ;

(8) Call Attention Notice (No. 26) given by Chaudhri Kewal Krishan regarding 'discrimination in the Pay Scales of Laboratory Assistants of the Private Schools in the State ,

(9) Call Attention Notice (No. 27) given by Sardar Kirpal Singh regarding 'resentment and unrest prevailing amongst the workers of M/s Sacko Rubber Industries for not being given the salary and bonus according to the approved policy of the Government ' ;

(10) Call Attention Notice (No. 28) given by Sardar Kirpal Singh regarding 'anomalous situation created by a decision of the Supreme Court in a an appeal against the Punjab Government in connection with the provincialised schools of Amritsar Municipality ' ;

were admitted and the Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect thereof.

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V. No-Confidence Motions

The Deputy Speaker observed that he had received notices of two No-Confidence Motions, one from Capt. Rattan Singh and 11 other Congress members and the second from Comrade Satya Pal Dang and others against the Minister for Finance and Labour, Shri Krishan Lal.

As Rule 65 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly under which a No-Confidence Motion was admissible (and there was precedent in that respect) was not in confirmity with Article 164(2) of the Constitution of India, he would, therefore, like to hear the views of the hon. Members before giving his ruling about it.

After a discussion lasting for an hour and a half, the Deputy Speaker reserved Ruling.

VI. Papers laid on the Table

The Industries Minister laid on the Table :—

(i) The sixteenth Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Financial Corporation for the year ending on 31st March, 1969, as required under Section 38(3) of the State Financial Corporation Act, 1951 ;

(ii) The Punjab Co-operative Societies (First Amendment) Rules, 1969, as required under section 85(3) of the Punjab Co-operative Societies Act, 1961 ; and

(iii) The Finance Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1967-68. .

VII Resolution for Election of one Member of the Public Accounts Committee

The Industries Minister moved :—

"That the members of this House do proceed to elect in the manner as required by Rule 250(5) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly one member from among themselves to serve on the Public Accounts Committee for the un-expired period of 1969-70 in the vacancy caused by the resignation of Shri Manmohan Kalia, M.L.A., on his appointment as Minister".

The motion was put and carried. The programme of election was also announced.

VIII. Resolutions

Comrade Kulwant Singn, while moving the resolution that :—

"With a view to give land to maximum number of persons belonging to Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes and other landless agricultural labourers in the State including those who may already be owning some land but less than five acres, this House recommends to the Government to take immediate steps to suitably amend the existing laws so as to—

(i) scale down the ceiling of land holdings from 50 standard acres for refugees and 30 standard acres for others to 20 acres per family for all ;

(ii) bring the modern farms, gardens etc., within the purview of the ceiling of land holdings ;

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(iii) distribute land declared/found surplus amongst evicted/landless tenants, persons belonging to Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes and agricultural labourers ; and

(iv) vest the surplus land in Government till such time as the same is distributed amongst different classes of persons as enumerated in (iii) above. "

spoke for 22 minutes.

All the amendments given notice were deemed to have been moved.

One member each from the Treasury Benches, Swantantra and Opposition (Congress) spoke for 11 minutes, 15 minutes and 22 minutes respectively.

The discussion was inconclusive.

IX. Personal Explanation

Dr. Bhagat Singh, Minister for Social Welfare, made his personal explanation in regard to remarks made about him by Sardar Gurbanta Singh.

Sardar Shashpal Singh, a member of Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair rom 12.21 p.m. to 1.30 p.m.

The House then adjourned till 9.00 *a.m. on the* 24*th October,* 1969.

BULLETIN NO. 4

Friday, the 24th October, 1969

(Brief record of the proceedings of the meeting of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha held on Friday, the 24th October, 1969, from 9.00 a.m. to 2.30 p.m.

I. Questions

(a) Starred—

Total No. of Questions on the order Paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	No. of Supplementaries
25	10	1	..	50

The remaining starred questions were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly.

(b) Unstarred—14

II. Adjournment Motions

(1) Adjournment Motion (No. 7) given notice of by Chaudhri Balbir Singh regarding 'the fast untodeath undertaken by Shri Darshan Singh Pheruman, for inclusion of Chandigarh in Punjab State, has entered a critical stage and Colleges have been

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closed at Amritsar as a result thereof', was disallowed as a motion under Rule 84 on the subject given notice of had already been admitted and the time fixed for discussion thereof.

(2) Adjournment Motions (Nos. 8 and 10) given notice of by Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda regarding 'the complete failure of electric supply and water supply in the City of Amritsar for more than 72 hours from 20th October, 1969' was disallowed as the matter raised therein concerned an autonomous body and was not the direct responsibility of the Government.

(3) Adjournment Motion (No. 9) given notice of by Dr. Amir Singh regarding 'the most inefficient manner in which electricity is supplied to the farmers in the State', was ruled out of order as the matter sought to be raised was not of a recent occurrence which could be discussed on an Adjournment Motion.

(4) The Adjournment Motion (No. 11) given notice of by Shri Gurdial Saini, regarding 'the arbitrary manner in which pig iron and other material for iron industry is distributed by the District Industries Officer, Jullundur' was ruled out of order as the matter sought to be raised was neither of recent occurrence nor of urgent public importance.

(5) Adjournment Motion (No. 12) given notice of by Sardar Umrao Singh and Comrade Satya Pal Dang regarding 'the student unrest in the State resulting in the closure of the Punjabi University, Patiala, Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana and many other Colleges', was ruled out of order as the matter sought to be raised was not of recent occurrence and pertained to autonomous bodies.

(6) Adjournment Motion (No. 13) given notice of by Comrade Satya Pal Dang regarding 'the serious situation arising on the working class front from Amritsar on account of failure of the Government to ensure payment of salaries to the workers of the Hindustan Embroidery Mills, Chheharta in time' was disallowed as the matter sought to be raised was not of recent occurrence.

III. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 29) given by Sardar Kirpal Singh regarding 'the serious charges levelled by the Government Primary Teachers' Association against Shri Dharampal Malhotra, Block Education Officer, Naushehra Pannuan' ;

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 30) given by Dr. Amir Singh regarding 'the diversion of funds earmarked for the building of Government College, Tanda Urmar for some other College which has already been taken in hand in 1967-68' ;

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 33) given by Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal regarding 'the taking away of a sum of Rs 3,600 from the Block Education Officer, Bhikhiwind, district Amritsar by the officials of the State Bank of Patiala at Patti' ;

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 34) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and Comrade Kulwant Singh, regarding 'acute discontentment prevailing amongst the students of State, leading to a spate of strikes because of wrong and unimaginative policies and action of the Government' ;

(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 36) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and Comrade Dana Ram regarding 'acute discontentment prevailing amongst the industrial workers of Amritsar' ;

(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 37) given by Comrade Babu Singh Master and two other M.L.As. regarding 'situation arising out of the non-implementation of the Minimum Wages Notification relating to embroidery industry at Batala' ;

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(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 38) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and Comrade Dana Ram regarding 'the widespread discontentment prevailing amongst the workers of Punjab in general and of Phagwara in particular' ;

(8) Call Attention Notice (No. 40) given by Dr. Amir Singh regarding the treatment meted out to the people of Tanda Halqa in the matter of provision of Tube-wells, Irrigation, pucca roads and upgrading of schools etc. and other developmental facilities' ;

(9) Call Attention Notice (No. 41) given by Dr. Amir Singh regarding 'the frequent failure of electricity in Tanda Sub-grid Station of the State Electricity Board' ;

(10) Call Attention Notice (No. 42) given by Comrade Kulwant Singh and Comrade Babu Singh regarding 'the failure of Government in providing the genuine price of Sugar Cane to the growers in the State and safe-guarding the interests of the growers as well as the Mill-owners in the State' ;

(11) Call Attention Notice (No. 43) given by Master Gurbanta Singh regarding 'a raid on the house of the President, Municipal Committee, Jullundur on the information of a certain Municipal Commissioner belonging to the party opposed to him' ;

(12) Call Attention Notice (No. 44) given by Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal regarding 'the ejectment of Backward Classes Tenant cultivators from the Bet area of rivers Sutlej and Ravi' ;

(13) Call Attention Notice (No. 45) given by Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi regarding "staging of dharna by the labourers working in the Office of the Chief Engineer, P.W.D. (B.&R.), Patiala" ;

(14) Call Attention Notice (No. 47) given by Shri Gurdial Saini regarding 'malpractice of arbitrary distribution of steel sheets indulged in by the Industries Officer, Jullundur' ;

(15) Call Attention Notice (No. 48) given by Shri Gurdial Saini regarding 'the passage to Mohalla Bashirpura, Kot Ramdas (Jullundur) having been totally blocked because of the construction on G.T. Road' ;

(16) Call Attention Notice (No. 49) given by Shri Gurdial Saini regarding 'the loss of Rs 36 lakhs suffered by the Punjab Government due to Dodge and Fargo Trucks supplied to it some time back' ;

(17) Call Attention Notice (No. 50) given by Comrade Babu Singh regarding 'the underhand methods of Block Development Officer, Mukandpur towards its employees' ;

(18) Call Attention Notice (No. 51) given by Comrade Babu Singh Master regarding 'the non-payment of salaries to the teachers working in the Government Primary School Kotli Afgana, district Ludhiana for the last 3 months' ;

(19) Call Attention Notice (No. 52) given by Comrade Babu Singh Master regarding 'the situation arising out of the strike of students of Government Training College, Faridkot demanding the transfer of the Principal' :

(20) Call Attention Notice (No. 53) given by Chaudhri Satya Dev and Shri Balmukand Sharma regarding 'the forcible and illegal occupation of Government land by influential persons at various places in the State' ;

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(21) Call Attention Notice (No. 54) given by Shri Balmukand Sharma regarding 'the situation created at Hoshiarpur by the entrance of Police in the College premises and manhandling of some students' ;

(22) Call Attention Notice (No. 57) given by Sardar Kirpal Singh regarding 'the situation created by the non-implementation of the assurances given to the employees of I.T.I. Talwara' ;

(23) Call Attention Notice (No. 58) given by Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi regarding 'the heavy damage caused to a number of villages in Nabha Tehsil due to the accumulation of rain water' ;

(24) Call Attention Notice (No. 60) given by Shri Kewal Krishan regarding 'the ruining of Mukerian range forest by Gopal Paper Mills, Jagadhri in violation of the rules' ;

(25) Call Attention Notice (No. 62) given by Vaid Gian Chand regarding 'the evil of smoking prevalent amongst teen-aged students in the State' ;

(26) Call Attention Notice (No. 63) given by Sardar Kirpal Singh regarding 'the situation created by the threat of agitation in support of the Class IV employees in the Education Department' ;

(27) Call Attention Notice (No. 64) given by Chaudhri Ram Singh regarding 'the damage caused to the paddy crop due to the stoppage of Madhopur Lift Irrigation Scheme' ;

(28) Call Attention Notice (No. 65) given by Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda regarding 'the situation caused by the disruption of electric and water supply at Amritsar for 72 hours' ;

(29) Call Attention Notice (No. 66) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and Comrade Kulwant Singh regarding 'the threats of firing and victimisation given to B.Ed. students on strike at Jullundur' ;

(30) Call Attention Notice (No. 67) given by Comrade Dana Ram and Comrade Kulwant Singh regarding 'the failure of the Government to arrest the murderers of Shri Gurcharan Singh, Teacher, Government Primary School, Ramgarh, Police Station Malout' ;

(31) Call Attention Notice (No. 68) given by Comrade Kulwant Singh and Comrade Dana Ram regarding 'the vindictive and repressive policy of D.C. Ludhiana in victimising Shri Rajinder Paul, President, Punjab Subordinate Services Federation, district Ludhiana' ;

(32) Call Attention Notice (No. 69) given by Comrade Babu Singh Master regarding 'illegal and unilateral decision of the Government to terminate the services of Shri Harbhajan Singh and suspension of Shri Jagat Singh Instructors, in I.T.I., Moga' ;

(33) Call Attention Notice (No. 70) given by Sathi Roop Lal regarding 'the firing resorted to by the police recently on the Harijans of village Daudhar Police Station Mehna, tehsil Moga' ;

(34) Call Attention Notice (No. 17) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang regarding 'the widespread discontentment amongst the industrial workers covered under E.S.I. Scheme in various industrial centres' in the State' ;

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were admitted and the Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect thereof;

(35) Call Attention Notice (No. 61) given by Giani Kundan Singh Patang was not taken up as the member concerned was not present.

IV. Official Resolutions

The Chief Minister while moving—

(i) "On the occasion of the 500th Birth Anniversary of Guru Nanak, this House places on its record its tribute to sacred memorary of the great Emancipator of the suffering humanity. His message of Love, Truth and Equality transcends all barriers of time and space. The Great Guru envisioned a new social order based on justice, and without any discriminating distinction of sex birth, caste, creed, or class. By the dynami of his teachings and personality Guru Nanak has left an indelible mark on the culture and his history of our country.

Realising that the message of Guru Nanak has great significance for the tension-ridden world of today, this House re-dedicates itself to the realisation of the values and ideals of preached by the Guru".

spoke for 16 minutes.

Dr. Bhagat Singh, Minister for Social Welfare spoke for 14 minutes

One Member from the Treasury Benches, one from P.S.P., three from Opposition (Congress), one from S.S.P., one from C.P.I. and one from C.P.I.(M) spoke for 9 minutes, 3 minutes, 40 minutes, 9 minutes, 24 minutes and 11 minutes respectively.

The motion was put and carried unanimously.

(ii) The Chief Minister while moving—

"On the first birth centenary of Mahatma Gandhi, this House places on record its high appreciation of the services rendered by the Father of the Nation in winning freedom for the motherland. This House joins the millions of people within the country and abroad in celebrating the first birth cenetenary and pay their grateful tributes to Mahatma Gandhi.

Mahatma Gandhi had close association with the people of the Punjab. Since the Jalianwala Bagh tragedy, all the sacrifices and the struggles launched by the Punjabis bear indelible mark of teachings of Gandhiji. The Punjab has extended whole-hearted co-operation to the various freedom movements launched by Gandhi Ji, such as, non-co-operation with the alien rulers, boycott of foreign goods and bycott of Siman Commission.

This House feels that the impact of Gandhiji's life and teachings would be source of inspiration to all of us for generations to come. The members of this august House pledge that they would follow the example of Mahatma Gandhi work for happiness and prosperity of the country and its down-trodden people."

Spoke for 7 minutes.

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One member each from Treasury Benches, P.S.P., S.S.P. spoke for 7 minutes, 8 minutes and 9 minutes respectively. Four members from Opposition spoke for 44 minutes.

Shri Manmohan Kalia, Minister for Local Bodies, spoke for 5 minutes.

The motion was put and carried unanimously.

V. Personal Explanation

Chaudhri Balbir Singh, a member from S.S.P. made his personal Explanation.

VI. Extension of time

The time of the sitting was first extended upto 2.00 p.m. and then upto 2.30 p.m.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 9.07 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. and Sardar Shashpal Singh, a member of the Panel of Chairmen from 11.00 a.m. upto 2.30 p.m.

The House then adjourned till 3.30 *p.m. on Monday, the 27th October*, 1969.

BULLETIN NO. 5

Monday, the 27th October, 1969

(Brief record of the proceedings of the meeting of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha held on Monday, the 27th October, 1969 from 3.30 p.m. to 5.40 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred—

Total number of Questions on the order paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	Number of Supplementaries
25	11	4	..	60

The remaining Starred Questions were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly.

(b) Unstarred ——2

II. Obituary References

On being conveyed the news of about the death of Sardar Darshan Singh Pheruman, who was on fast for the last 73 days, the House, on a motion moved by the Chief Minister, unanimously decided to suspend the normal business before the House and pay tributes to the memory of the departed leader.

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Obituary references were made by the Chief Minister, Capt. Rattan Singh (Deputy Leader of the Opposition), Comrade Satya Pal Dang (C.P.I.), S. Kirpal Singh (P.S.P.) Sirdar Kapur Singh (Akali Dal), Jathedar Hardit Singh Bhathal (C.P.(M)) Sathi Rup Lal (S.S.P.), S. Basant Singh (Swatantra) Shri Balram Das Tandon (Minister for Industries) and Sardar Surjit Singh Atwal (Congress).

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed by all sections of the House.

The House stood in silence for two minutes and adjourned for the day as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased.

The House then adjourned till 9.00 a.m. on the Wednesday, the 29th October, 1969.

BULLETIN NO. 6

Wednesday, the 29th October, 1969

(Brief record of the proceedings of the meeting of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha held on Wednesday, the 29th October, 1969 from 9.00 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.)

I. Questions

Asking of Starred Questions began with the List of Postponed Starred Questions for the 29th October, 1969 and thereafter Starred Question No. 852 printed at page 4 of the List of Questions for the 27th October, 1969. The regular lists of Starred Questions for the 28th and 29th October, 1969, were then taken up.

Total number of Questions on the order paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	Number of Supplementaries
52	11	2	2	50

The remaining Starred Questions were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly.

(b) Unstarred ————9

II. Adjournment Motions

Adjournment Motions No. 14 given notice of by Captain Rattan Singh and Sardar Santokh Singh, No. 15 by Sardar Umrao Singh and Sardar Sarup Singh, No. 16 by Sardar Umrao Singh and No. 17 by Chaudhri Balbir Singh regarding 'the forcible removal of the dead body of Sardar Darshan Singh Pheruman from the hospital to his village Pheruman by the Police..... were ruled out of order by the Speaker on the ground that matter raised therein related to the ordinary administration of law.

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III. Personal Explanation

Sirdar Kapur Singh gave a personal explanation regarding the reported allegations made by the Chief Minister against him for creating disturbances at village Pheruman during the cremation of the dead body of Sardar Darshan Singh Pheruman.

IV. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 72) given by Chaudhri Balbir Singh regarding 'the removal of anomalies in the grades of pay of Government employees in the Punjab Pay Commission ;

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 75) given by Chaudhri Satya Dev regarding 'the reported harassment and atrocities being committed on the Municipal employees by the Chairman, Municipal Committee, Jullundur' ;

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 76) given by Shri Tulsi Ram Chauhan regarding 'the non-completion of metalling of Balachaur-Nurpur Bedi Kacha Road in district Hoshiarpur' ;

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 81) given by Com. Babu Singh Master and Comrade Kulwant Singh regarding 'the step-motherly treatment meted out to the field staff of the Punjab Co-operative Department.

(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 82) given by Shri Kewal Krishan and Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda regarding 'the declaration made by the Chief Minister that the State Government proposes to give religious instructions in the Government Schools in Punjab ;

(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 83) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang regarding 'the situation created by the decision of the Punjab Trade Union Congress to stage a mass Dharna of Industrial workers before the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on 27th October, 1969 in support of their demands ;

(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 94) given by Com. Babu Singh Master regarding 'the creation of new post of another D.P.I. under political pressure in the present Punjab' ;

(8) Call Attention Notice (No. 96) given by Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi regarding 'forcible ejectment of 20 Harijan families of village Kalewal, district Ludhiana (Bet area) from the lands on lease with them ; "

(9) Call Attention Notice (No. 97) given by Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal regarding 'forcible ejectment of Rai Sikhs and other Backward Classes settled in certain villages of tehsil Ajnala, district Amritsar'.

(10) Call Attention Notice (No. 98) given by Chaudhri Satya Dev regarding 'great damage caused to the 'Narma' cotton crop in Abohar area due to cuts made in canals in spite of shortage of water etc.' ;
were admitted and the Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect thereof.

(11) Call Attention Notice (No. 77) given by S. Santokh Singh Randhawa and Chaudhri Ram Singh regarding 'the high handedness being perpetrated on the Sub-Inspectors and Inspectors of the Co-operative Department in the State' was admitted and the Chief Minister made statement in respect thereof.

Call Attention Notices (Nos. 73 and 79) given by Sathi Rup Lal and Master Gurbanta Singh could not be taken up as the members concerned were not present.

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V. Naming of Member

Due to persistent obstructions of the proceedings by Sardar Santokh Singh Randhawa (Congress), the Hon. Speaker named the member.

The Chief Minister moved that Sardar Santokh Singh Randhawa be suspended from the service of the House for one month.

On a categorical assurance given by the Deputy Leader of the Opposition of his party's support in the orderly conduct of the business in the House, the Chief Minister, with the leave of the House, withdrew the motion.

VI. Announcement by the Speaker

The Speaker made his announcement :—

"I have to inform the House that the Committee of Privileges could not answer the references made to it by the House regarding—

(i) the pressure exerted on S. Bachan Singh Pakho, M.L.A. by S. Gurbachan Singh Bahya, D.S.P., to leave the Punjab Congress Legislature Party, and

(ii) the threatening behaviour of Sardar Harbhagwan Singh, Ex-M.L.A., towards Sardar Trilochan Singh Riasti M. L. A., within the precints of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha

Within one month from the date of reference of the matter of the Committee as required under rule 271 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly. As the House was not in session, I was approached by the Committee to extend the time for making of the Report for two months in each case, that is upto the 20th July, 1969 and 23rd July, 1969, respectively. I have on behalf of the House granted extension of time asked for. Then again I was approached in the same way for further extension of time upto 31st October, 1969, in each case and again I agreed as the House was not in Session.

2. I have further to inform the House that the *Adhoc* Committee appointed by the House on the 25th April, 1969 to enquire into the matter relating to the entry of Police/outsiders in the House on the 18th March, 1968, could not make its report within the stipulated period, i.e., four months. The House being not in Session, I was approached by the Committee to extend the time for making the report by three months, i.e., upto the 24th November, 1969. I have on behalf of the House granted extension of time for presentation of the report asked for.

Now I am making a report to the House in these matters accordingly."

VII. Statements laid on the Table

By the Finance Minister on Call Attention Notices Nos. 2, 3, 6, 8, 10, 12, 13, 26 and 28.

VIII. Financial Business

(a) The Finance Minister presented the Supplementary Estimates (First Instalment) for the year 1969-70.

(b) The Chairman of the Estimates Committee presented the Report of the Committee on Estimates on the Supplementary Estimates (First Instalment) for the year 1969-70.

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IX. Presentation of Preliminary Report of the *Ad hoc* Committee appointed on the 25th April, 1969, to enquire into matters relating to the entry of Police outsiders in the House on the 18th March, 1968

The Deputy Speaker presented the Preliminary Report of the *Ad hoc* Committee appointed on the 25th April, 1969, to enquire into the matters relating to the entry of the Police outsiders in the House on the 18th March, 1968 and moved for extension of time fixed for presenting the Report of the *Ad hoc* Committee till the 31st March, 1970.

After some discussion the motion was put to the vote of the House and declared carried. The opinion of the Chair was challenged and the members were asked to record their votes in the Lobbies.

For the Motion	..	52
Against the Motion	..	18

The Motion was declared carried.

X. Presentation of the Preliminary Report of the Committee of Privileges regarding the threatening behaviour of Sardar Harbhagwan Singh, ex-M.L..A. towards Sardar Trilochan Singh Riasti, M.L.A. in the precincts of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha

Sardar Jasdev Singh Sandhu, Chairman of the Privileges Committee.—(i) Presented the Preliminary report of the Committee of Privileges regrding the threatening behaviour of Sardar Harbhagwan Singh, Ex-M.L.A., towards Sardar Trilochan Singh Riasti, in the precincts of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha

and

(ii) moved that the time fixed for presenting the Report of the Committee be extended till the 31st December, 1969.

The motion was put and carried.

XI. Legislative Business
The Punjab Land Revenue (Amendment) Bill, 1969

The Revenue Minister introduced the Punjab Land Revenue (Amendment) Bill, 1969, with a few observations and moved that—

"The Punjab Land Revenue (Amendment) Bill be taken into considreation at once."

Two members of the Opposition (Congress), one member each from C.P.I., S.S.P., P.S.P. and Swatantra spoke for 40 minutes, 4 minutes, 4 minutes, 3 minutes and 7 minutes, respectively.

The Bill was then taken into consideration clause by clause.

Clauses 2, 3, 1 and Title were put and carried.

The Revenue Minister moved that the Bill be passed.

The Motion was put and carried and the Bill was passed.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 9.10 a.m. to 9.57 a.m. and Sardar Shashpal Singh, a member of Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 12.30 p.m. to 1.30 p.m.

The House then adjourned till 2.00 p.m. on Thursday, 30th October, 1969.

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BULLETIN No. 7

Thursday, the 30th October, 1969

(Brief record of the proceedings of the meeting of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha held on Thursday, the 30th October, 1969 from 2.00 p.m. to 6.50 p.m.).

I. Absence of the Speaker

The Secretary informed the House that the Speaker is unavoidably absent and that the Deputy Speaker would occupy the Chair.

II. Questions

(a) *Starred*

Total No. of questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	No. of Supplementaries
22	10	..	..	64

The remaining Starred Questions were deemed to have been answered under Rule 4 5 of the Rules of Proceedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly.

(b) *Unstarred* .. 16

III. Adjournment Motions

The consent to move the following Adjournment Motions was withheld by the Deputy Speaker :—

(i) Adjournment Motion (No. 19) given notice of by Sardar Umrao Singh, Chaudhri Balbir Singh and Chaudhri Kewal Krishan regarding 'the indefinite closure of the Colleges in the State' ;

(ii) Adjournment Motion (No. 18) given notice of by Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda regarding 'breakdown in Verka Power Station resulting in the disruption of electricity in the City of Amritsar' ; and

(iii) Adjournment Motion (No. 20) given notice of by Sardar Kirpal Singh regarding 'the arrest of Bibi Rajinder Kaur, daughter of late Master Tara Singh along with her two minor children and elder brother S. Jaswant Singh.'

IV. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 71) given by Chaudhri Balbir Singh regarding 'a great unrest prevailing amongst the employees on account of demotion of some S.D.Os. by the Chief Engineer, Irrigation Department;

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 107) given by S. Dalip Singh Pandhi regarding 'the excessive overcrowding in the buses and discriminatory treatment of the operators to the passengers';

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(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 106) given by S. Dalip Singh Pandhi regarding 'the prices fixed by the Government for paddy and Maize not being offered to the peasants in rural markets';

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 108) given by S. Dalip Singh Pandhi regarding 'the unauthorised structures constructed by certain persons on the P.W.D. lands near roads throughout the State';

(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 109) given by Vaid Kartar Singh regarding 'the most inadequate supply of electricity for tubewells and domestic consumption in Hoshiarpur.....' ;

(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 119) given by Sarvshri Sardari Lal Kapur and Joginder Pal Pandey regarding 'the ejectment of 15, 20 Harijan Families of village Kalewal, district Ludhiana (Bet Area)';

(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 123) given by Bhagat Guran Das Hans regarding 'non-grant of proprietory rights to the occupants of Balmiki huts (Gandhi Nagar) in Pathankot';

(8) Call Attention Notice (No. 101) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and Com. Dana Ram regarding 'the dangerous condition of buildings of many Government Schools in the State ' ;

(9) Call Attention Notice (No. 102) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and Com. Dana Ram regarding 'the acute discontentment prevailing amongst the working class of Batala on the arrest of a number of workers including those on hunger-strike.....' ;

(10) Call Attention Notice (No. 133) given by Giani Kundan Singh Patang regarding grant of loans under M.I.G.H. Scheme to urbanites and not to the rural people for construction of their houses';

(11) Call Attention Notice (No. 136) given by Sardar Raja Singh regarding 'the unrest prevailing amongst the work-charged employees of P.W.D. for the non-implementation of the recommendations for revision of their pay scales';

(12) Call Attention Notice (No. 137) given by Sardar Raja Singh regarding 'the situation arising out of the Dharna being staged by the Punjab Government Mechanical Workers' Union ' ;

(13) Call Attention Notice (No. 144) given by Vaid Kartar Singh regarding 'the undue delay in the payment of scholarships to the Harijan students in the State in general and Hoshiarpur in particular ' ;

(14) Call Attention Notice (No. 127) given by Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda regarding 'the uncalled arrest of eminent persons like S. Sohan Singh Jalalusman, Ex. M.L.A., President, District Congress Committee (Rural), Amritsar, and other Congress leaders' ;

(15) Call Attention Notice (No. 131) given by S. Santokh Singh Randhawa regarding 'the non-completion of the Batala-Dera Baba Nanak Road ' ;

(16) Call Attention Notice (No. 134) given by Dr. Amir Singh regarding 'the act of hooliganism indulged in by the volunteers of Bir Khalsa Dal at Ludhiana.....' ;

(17) Call Attention Notice (No. 135) given by Dr. Amir Singh regarding 'giving up of the metalling of road from Tanda to Gardhiwala ' ;

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(18) Call Attention Notice (No. 128) given by Com. Babu Singh Master and two other M.L.As regarding 'the failure of police to act against the landlords responsible for the murder of a Harijan, Shri Kehar Singh of village Jolan Kalan.....' ;

(19) Call Attention Notice (No. 129) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and Com. Dana Ram regarding 'the complete failure of electricity due to damage to Power House at Verka (Amritsar) ' ;

(20) Call Attention Notices (No. 125) given by S. Kirpal Singh regarding 'taking away of the dead body of Sardar Darshan Singh Pheruman by the police, etc.....' ;

were admitted and the Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect thereof.

Call Attention Noties (Nos. 99, 118, 104, 141, 130 and 132) given by S. Sarup Singh, Sarvshri Sardari Lal Kapur and Joginder Pal Pandey, Ch. Satya Dev and Bawa Harnam Singh, Coms. Satya Pal Dang, Dana Ram and Com. D. S. Jhabal, Dana Ram and S. P. Dang could not be taken up as the members concerned were not present in the House.

V. Presentation of the Report of the Business Advisory Committee

The Deputy Speaker presented the Third Report of the Business Advisory Committee.

The motion moved by the Chief Parliamentary Secretary :—

"That the Third Report of the Business Advisory Committee be adopted by the House,"

was put and carried.

VI. Papers laid on the Table

(i) The Chief Minister laid on the Table the amendments/additions (two notifications) made by the Governor in the Punjab Public Service Commission (Limitation of Functions) Regulations, 1955, as required under Article 320 (5) of the Constitution.

(ii) The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid on the Table the Statements on Call Attention Notices Nos. 16, 21 and 27.

(iii) By the Secretary statement showing the implementation of the Resolutions passed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha during, 1967.

VII. Motion under Rule 84

Motion under Rule 84 given notice of by :—

(1) Sardar Umrao Singh,

(2) Com. Satya Pal Dang,

(3) Chaudhri Balbir Singh,

(4) Jathedar Hardit Singh Bhatal,

(5) Sardar Kirpal Sinah,

(6) Capt. Rattan Singh,

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was moved by the Deputy Leader of the Opposition on their behalf speaking for 37 minutes :

"that notwithstanding the Rules relating to the period of notice of motions, the situation arising out of the death of Sardar Darshan Singh ji Pheruman, who laid down his life for the inclusion of Chandigarh, etc., in the State of Punjab be discussed."

Two members of the Opposition (Congress), one member each of P. S. P. C., P. I., S. S. P., C. P. (M), and Independent spoke for 9, 5, 10, 9, 6 and 12 minutes respectively.

The Chief Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 41 minutes and moved the following resolution :—

"This House recommends to the Government of India to decide the question of Chandigarh without further delay and to include it in Punjab as it is definitely Punjabi speaking and is not even contiguous to any Hindi speaking area. The Government of India should also take steps to restore *status quo* as it existed before the Re-organisation about the question of Bhakra Complex at an early date and to set up a commission of linguisitic experts to redemarcate the boundaries of Punjab on the basis of spoken languages."

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

VIII. Resolutions

Discussion on the following resolution moved by Comrade Kulwant Singh on the 23rd October, 1969, that—

"With a view to give land to maximum number of persons belonging to Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes and other landless agricultural labourers in the State including those who may already be owning some land but less than five acres, this House recommends to the Government to take immediate steps to suitably amend the existing laws so as to—

(i) scale down the ceiling of land-holdings from 50 standard acres for refugees and 30 standard acres for others to 20 standard acres per family for all ;

(ii) bring the modern farms, gardens, etc., within the purview of the ceiling of land-holdings ;

(iii) distributee land declared/found surplus amongst evicted/landless tenants persons belonging to Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes and agricultural labourers ; and

(iv) vest the surplus land in Government till such time as the same is distributed amongst different classes of persons as enumerated in (iii) above,

was resumed.

Chaudhri Jagat Ram, a Member of the Opposition (Congress) spoke for 15 minutes.

Sardar Shashpal Singh, a Member of the Panel of Chairmen occupied the Chair from 4.26p.m. to 6.50 p.m.

The House then adjourned till 2.00 p.m. on Friday, the 31st October, 1969.

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BULLETIN No. 8

Friday the 31st October, 1969

(Brief record of the proceedings of the meeting of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha held on the 31st October, 1969 from 2.00 p.m. to 7.05 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) *Starred*

Total No. of questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	No. of Supplementaries
23	15	4	1	61

The remaining Starred Questions were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly.

(b) *Unstarred* .. 3

II. Questions of Privilege

Question of Privilege given notice of by Sardar Kirpal Singh, M.L.A., regarding 'the action of the Police in preventing Sardar Basant Singh, M.L.A., from taking part in the collection of ashes of Sardar Darshan Sinah Pheruman', was ruled out of order by the Speaker on the ground that no breach of privilege was involved in the question sought to be raised.

III. Adjournment Motions

Adjournment Motions Nos. 21, 22 and 23 given notice of by Dr. Amir Singh, Sardar Umrao Singh and jointly by Chaudhri Balbir Singh and Sardar Kirpal Singh respectively were disallowed.

IV. Call Attention Notices.

(1) Adjournment Motion (No. 18) given notice of by Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda, on which consent was withheld on 30th October, 1969 by the Deputy Speaker, was converted into Call Attention Notice.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 93) given by Chaudhri Balbir Singh regarding 'the torturing of Shri Moti Sagar, a businessman, in connection with the enquiry of Shri Lachhman Singh Gill' ;

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 141) given by Bawa Harnam Singh regarding 'imposition of huge cuts in land allotment of the displaced persons from West Punjab';

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 145) given by Jathedar Hardit Singh Bhatal and eight other M.L.As regarding 'slackness on the part of the Government in implementing the decision of the Government regarding lands of various categories in erstwhile Pepsu areas allotted to members of Scheduled Castes.....' ;

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(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 146) given by Sardar Kirpal Singh regarding 'the unrest caused by the non-implementation of assurances of giving houses in Industrial Colonies to the labourers on hire-purchase basis';

(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 147) given by Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi regarding 'the cut imposed on the grant of loans to members of non-Agricultural Co-operative Societies and other Harijan Co-operative Societies' ;

(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 148) given by Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi regarding 'the non-promotion of employees belonging to Scheduled Castes and other Backward Classes to the posts of Assistants, etc., by the D.P.I.' ;

were admitted and the Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect thereof.

V. Announcement by the Secretary

(1) "That under Rule 2 of the Punjab State Legislature (Communications) Rules, 1959, I have to inform the House that the following five Bills passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad on the 30th October, 1969, have been received :—

(i) The Punjab Tenancy (Amendment) Bill, 1969,

(ii) The Pepsu Occupancy Tenants (Vesting of Proprietary Rights) Amendment, Bill, 1969,

(iii) The Punjab Cinemas (Control of Noises) Amendment Bill, 1969,

(iv) The Punjab Instruments (Control of Noises) Amendment Bill, 1969,

(v) The Punjab Dramatic Performances (Amendment) Bill, 1969.

I also lay a copy of the Bills on the Table of the House".

(2) "That I beg to lay on the Table of the House, the statement showing the action taken by the Government on the Non-official Resolutions passed by the erstwhile Pepsu Vidhan Sabha."

VI. Personal Explanations

(i) Sirdar Kapur Singh made his personal explanation regarding the remarks made about him by the Chief Minister during his speech on the 30th October, 1969, while replying to the discussion on Motion under Rule 84. (ii) S. Umrao Sinah gave a personal explanation on a remark made by a Member of the Treasury Benches.

VII. Legislative Business and Resolutions under Clause 2 (a) of Article 213 of the Constitution of India

Punjab Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Bill, 1969.

Sardar Umrao Singh, a member from the Opposition, moved that :—

"This House disapproves the Punjab Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Ordinance, 1969 (Punjab Ordinance No. 10)".

The Chief Minister, with a few remarks introduced the 'Punjab Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Bill, 1969', and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

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Master Gurbanta Singh, a member from the Opposition, moved that the Punjab Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Bill, 1969, be referred to a Joint Select Committee with a direction to report on or before 15th December, 1969.

The Speaker decided that the motions for the disapproval of the Ordinance (moved by S. Umrao Singh), the consideration of the Bill (moved by the Chief Minister) and reference of the Bill to a Joint Select Committee (moved by Master Gurbanta Singh) be discussed together.

Two members from the Opposition (Congress) spoke for 68 minutes, one member each from S. S. P., Treasury Benches, and C.P.I., spoke for 30, 14 and 16 minutes respectively.

Motion for disapproval of the Ordinance and that of reference to a Joint Select Committee were put and lost. The motion that the Bill be taken into consideration was put and carried.

The Bill was then taken into consideration Clause by Clause.

Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1 and Clause 2 were put and carried.

Clauses 3 *and* 4

Amendments to Clauses 3 and 4 were either ruled out of order or lost. The Clauses were put and carried.

Clause 5

Clause 5 was put and carried.

Clause 6

Deleted.

Clause 7

Amendments to Clause 7 were put and lost. Clause 7 was put and carried.

Clause 8

Clause 8 was put and carried.

Clause 9

Amendments to Clause 9 moved and carried.

Clauses 10, 11 *and* 12

Amendments to Clauses 10, 11 and 12 moved and carried. Clauses 10, 11 and 12 as amended, were carried.

Clauses 13 *and* 14

Clauses 13 and 14 were put and carried.

Clauses 15, 16 *and* 17

Amendments to Clauses 15, 16 and 17 were either not moved or ruled out of order. Clauses were put and carried.

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Clauses 18 *and* 19

Amendments to Clauses 18 and 19 were carried. Clauses, as amended, were put and carried.

Clauses 20 *and* 21

Amendments not moved . Clauses were put and carried.

Clauses 22, *Clause* 1 (*i*) *and Title*

Clause 22, Clause 1 (i) and Title were put and carried.

Motion moved by the Chief Minister that the Bill be passed, was put and carried and the Bill was passed.

VII. Extension of time

The time of the sitting was first extended upto 6.45 p.m., then upto 7.00 p.m., and against upto 7.15 p.m.

Sardar Jasdev Singh Sandhu, a member of Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 4.12 p.m. to 7.05 p.m.

7-05 P.M. | The Sabha then adjourned till 2.00 p.m on Monday, the 3rd November, 1969.

BULLETIN No. 9

Monday, the 3rd November, 1969

(Brief record of the proceedings of the meeting of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha held on Monday, the 3rd November, 1969 from 2.00 p.m. to 6.10 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) *Starred*—

Asking of Starred Questions began with the List of Postponed Starred Questions for the 3rd November, 1969, and thereafter the regular list of Starred Questions for the 3rd November, 1969, was taken up.

Total No. of questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Short Notice Questions Answered	Number of Supplementaries
31	8	2	..	1	76

The remaining Starred Questions were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly.

(b) *Unstarred*—2

II. Adjournment Motions

Adjournment Motion (No. 25) given notice of by Comrade Satya Pal Dang was ruled out of order by the Chair.

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III. Call Attention Notices

1. Call Attention Notice (No. 86) given by Shri Tulsi Ram Chauhan regarding 'the great dearth of drinking water in Balachaur Tehsil';

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 138) given by Chaudhri Sunder Singh regarding 'damage caused due to stoppage of U.B.D.C. Rajbah Nano Nangal, District Gurdaspur. for the last one month..';

3. Call Attention Notice (No. 143) given by Chaudhri Kewal Krishan regarding 'forcible collection of contributions by the Punjab Government for raising funds for the celebration of Quicentenary of Shri Guru Nanak Dev Ji';

4. Call Attention Notice (No. 157) given by Chaudhri Satya Dev regarding 'the dilapidated condition of the memorial of Shaheed-e-Azam Bhagat Singh and his compatriots..';

5. Call Attention Notice (No. 162) given by Chaudhri Satya Dev and Vaid Gian Chand regarding 'the discrimination against Hindi in Colleges affiliated to the Punjabi University...';

6. Call Attention Notice (No. 163) given by Giani Kundan Singh Patang regarding 'the non-completion of road from Dhuri to Rai kot..';

7. Call Attention Notice (No. 167) given by Comrade Kulwant Singh and other three M.L.As regarding 'the transfer of J.B.T. teachers of Ludhiana district outside the district in contravention of the rules..;

8. Call Attention Notice (No. 168) given by Comrade Babu Singh Master and three other M.L.As regarding 'non-promotion of trained graduate teachers to higher scale of pay..';

9. Call Attention Notice (No. 170) given by Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal and Jathedar Hardit Singh Bhathal regarding 'the use of the terms 'Choohrha' and 'Chamar' in the Revenue records of the State in violation of the provisions in the Constitution..';

10. Call Attention Notice (No. 172) given by Com. Babu Singh Master regarding 'failure of the Government in draining out the water scattered on the Barnala-Baja Khana Road near Dialpura Bhai Ka Bus Stop'; were admitted and the Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect thereof.

Call Attention Notices (Nos. 150 and 159) given by Capt. Nahar Singh and Sardar Kirpal Singh respectively could not be taken up as the Members concerned were not present in the House.

IV. Announcement

By the Secretary—

"Under Rule 2 of the Punjab State Legislature (Communications) Rules, 1959, I have to inform the House that the following four Bills which were passed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on the dates indicated against each and

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transmitted to the Punjab Vidhan Parishad for its concurrence/recomendations have been agreed to by the said Vidhan Parishad without any amendment/recommendation on the 31st October, 1969 :—

	Date on which passed by the Vidhan Sabha
1. The Punjab Official Language (Amendment) Bill, 1969 ..	22nd October, 1969
2. The Punjab Public Premises and Land (Eviction and Rent Recovery) Amendment Bill, 1969 ..	22nd October, 1969
3. The Punjab State Aid to Industries (Amendment) Bill, 1969	22nd October, 1969
4. The Punjab Land Revenue (Amendment) Bill, 1969 ..	29th October, 1969

Further, that the Good Conduct Prisoners' Probational Release (Amendment Bill, 1969, passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad on the 31st October, 1969, has been received for concurrence.

I also lay a copy of the Bill on the Table of the House."

V. Financial Business

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES (FIRST INSTALMENT) 1969-70

1. Discussion of the Estimates of Expenditure charged on the Revenue of the State.

(No one rose to speak on the charged items.)

2. Voting of Demands for Grants.

The Chair, with the approval of the House, decided that all the Demands alongwith the cut, motions thereon be discussed together and voted upon separately. The Chair desired the members to specify the demand(s) on which they were going to speak.

It was further decided to apply the Guillotine at 6.00 p.m.

All the Demands and the cut motions were deemed to have been read and moved.

Four members from the Opposition (Congress), Two from the Treasury Benches, One each from C.P.I., S.S.P., Swatantra and C.P.I. (M) spoke for 44 minutes, 27, 13, 20, 14 and 14 minutes respectively.

The Finance Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 18 minutes.

The Guillotine was applied at 6.00 p.m.

The Cut Motions were put and lost, and all the Demands from No. 1 to 9 were put and carried.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 3.25 p.m. to 5.25 p.m. and from 5.52 p.m. to 6.10 p.m. and Sardar Shashpal Singh, a member of Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 5.25 p.m. to 5.52 p.m.

6.10 P.M. The Sabha then adjourned till 2.00 p.m. on Tuesday, the 4th November, 1969.

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BULLETIN NO. 10

Tuesday, the 4th November, 1969

(Brief record of the proceedings of the meeting of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha held on Tuesday, the 4th November, 1969 from 2.00 p.m. to 7.37 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred—

Asking of starred questions began with the List of Postponed Starred Questions for the 4th November, 1969, and thereafter regular list of Starred Questions for the 4th November, 1969 was taken up.

Total No. of questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
13	11	1	..	77

The remaining Starred Questions were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly.

(b) Unstarred—*nil.*

II. Question of Privilege

On the notices of Question of Privilege (Nos. 3 and 4) sought to be raised by Comrade Satya Pal Dang on a wrong and misleading reply given to Unstarred Question No. 225 by the Finance Minister, the Speaker observed that the matter is being examined by him.

III. Adjournment Motion

Adjournment Motion (No. 26) given notice of by Comrade Satya Pal Dang was ruled out of order by the Chair.

IV. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 159) given by Sardar Kirpal Singh regarding 'the arrest of leaders of various parties including an M.L.A. by the Police at village Pheruman on the 30th October, 1969';

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 176) given by Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda regarding 'unemployment of lage number of labourers due to closure of power looms of artificial Silk industry at Amritsar';

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 178) given by S. Dalip Singh Pandhi regarding 'the harassment of truck operators engaged in carriage of stones etc., at Zirakpurbarrier..';

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 179) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and two other M.L.As., regarding 'the exhorbitant black market prices at which Rickshaw Tyres and Tubes are actually available in the market..';

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(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 180) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and Com. Dana Ram regarding 'loss of employment and wages sufferred by industrial workers of Amritsar due to almost continuous failure of electricity from 20th October, 1969 onwards..';

(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 181) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and two other M.L.As., regarding 'the non-payment of salaries to the employees of Zila Parishad Ropar, for the months of July and August, 1969..';

(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 184) given by Chaudhri Sunder Singh regarding 'total exclusion of persons belonging to Scheduled Castes in the appointment of District Attorneys or Assistant District Attorneys..';

(8) Call Attention Notice (No. 185) given by Chaudhri Balbir Singh regarding 'the incidents following the arrest of Shri Dayal Singh at Khanna';

(9) Call Attention Notice (No. 188) given by Capt. Rattan Singh regarding 'the demands of the unadjusted (B.T., B.Ed) Masters Association, Punjab..';

(10) Call Attention Notice (No. 191) given by Shri Gurdial Saini regarding 'the non-registration of sale of 600 four-marla quarters constructed on Pritnagar Road, Jullundur';

(11) Call Attention Notice (No. 194) given by Chaudhri Kewal Krishan regarding 'misappropriation of funds of the Hoshiarpur District Wholesale Co-operative Supply and Marketing Society..';

(12) Call Attention Notice (No. 196) given by Capt. Rattan Singh regarding 'the appeal of the family of late S. Darshan Singh Pheruman to the public not to participate in his 'Bhog' ceremony to avoid humiliation at the hands of the State Government';

were admitted and the Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect thereof.

V. Presentation of the Fourth Report of the Business Advisory Committee

The Speaker presented the Fourth Report of the Business Advisroy Committee The motion moved by Capt. Rattan Singh, the Deputy Leader of the Opposition :

> "That the Fourth Report of the Business Advisory Committee be adopted by the House."

was put and carried.

VI. Statements laid on the Table

By the Local Bodies Minister on Call Attention Notices Nos. 9, 17, 19, 24, 29, 33, 36, 37, 41, 45, 47, 50, 51, 54, 58, 60, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 69, 70, 81 and 98.

VII. Legislative Business and Resolution under Clause 2(a) of Article 213 of the Constitution of India

1. *The Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill*, 1969

'The Finance Minister introduced the 'Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill' and moved that the bill be taken into consideration at once.

Five Members from the Opposition (Congress), Two from the Treasury Benches, One each from P.S.P., C.P.I., C.P.I.(M) and S.S.P. spoke for 55 minutes, 30, 21, 11, 7 and 4 minutes respectively.

The Finance Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 14 minutes.

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The motion for consideration of the Bill was put and carried.

The Bill was then taken into consideration Clause by Clause.

Causes 2, 3, Schedule and Clause I and Title were put and carried and the Bill was passed.

Walk Out

During the discussion on the Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, Chaudhri Ram Singh, a member of the Opposition, staged walk out as a protest on having not been given time to speak on the bill.

2. *Resolution disapproving the Punjab School Education Board Ordinance*, 1969,
AND
The Punjab School Education Board Bill, 1969

The Education Minister introduced the Bill and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

Sardar Umrao Singh, a member of the Opposition, moved the motion disapproving the Ordinance. It was decided to discuss both the motions together.

One member each from the Opposition (Congress) S.S.P., and C.P.I. spoke for 18 minutes, 22 and 18 minutes respectively.

The Education Minister, by way of reply, made a few observations.

The motion for consideration of the Bill was put and carried and the Bill was then taken into consideration Clause by Clause.

Clause 2

Amendments to Caluse 2 moved and lost. The Clause was put and carried.

Clause 3

Clause 3 was put and carried.

Clause 4

Amendments to Clause, except Nos. 7 ane 8 were lost, withdrawn with the leave of the House, or declared redundant. Amendments Nos. 7 and 8 were put and carried. The Caluse, as amended, was put and carried.

Clause 5

Amendments to Clause were withdrawn by leave of the House. The Clause was put and carried.

Clause 6

Amendments to the Clause were either lost or withdrawn by leave of the House.

Clause 7

Amendments, by leave of the House, were withdrawn and Clause was put and carried.

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Clauses 8 *and* 9

Clauses 8 and 9 were put and carried.

Clause 10

Amendments to Clause were either ruled out of order or deleted and the Clause was put and carried.

Clauses 11 *and* 12

Clauses 11 and 12 were put and carried.

Clause 13

Amendments Nos. 25 and 26 were put and carried. The Clause as amended, was put and carried.

Clauses 14, 15 *and* 16

Clauses were put and carried.

Clause 17

Amendments to Clause were either not moved or moved and lost. The Clause was put and carried.

Clause 18

Amendments to Clause were deemed to have been read and moved. These were put and lost. The Clause was put and carried.

Clause 19

Clause 19 was put and carried.

Clause 20

Amendment No. 48 was carried, others were declared redundant. The Clause, as amended, was put and carried.

Clause 21

Clause 21 was put and carried.

Clause 22

Amendments to this clause were either not moved or declared out of order. The Clause was put and carried.

Clauses 23 *and* 24

Clauses 23 and 24 were put and carried.

Clause 25

Amendments to clause were either withdrawn by leave of the House or lost. The clause was put and carried.

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Clauses 26, 1 *and Title*

Clauses 26 and 1 and the Title were put and carried. The motion, moved by the Education Minister, that the Bill be passed, was carried and the Bill was passed.

VIII. Extension of Time

The time of the sitting was at first extended upto the 7.00 p.m., then upto 7.30 p.m and then till the Bill was passed.

Sardar Jasdev Singh Sandhu, a member of Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 3.25 p.m. to 4.15 p.m.

Sardar Shashpal Singh, another member of Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 4.15 p.m. to 6.40 p.m.

The Sabha then adjourned till 9.00 a.m. on Wednesday, the 5th November, 1969.

7-37 P.M.

BULLETIN NO. 11

Wednesday, the 5th November, 1969

(Brief record of the proceedings of the meeting of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha held on Wednesday, the 5th November, 1969 from 9·00 a.m. to 6.40 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred.

Asking of question began with the supplementaries to Starred Question No. 731 in the list of Starred Questions for the 3rd November, 1969 and thereafter the postponed Starred Questions for the 5th November, 1969 and then the regular list of Starred Questions for the 5th November, 1969 was taken up.

Total No. of questions on the Order Paper.	Answered	Postponed	Not put	No. of Supplementaries
8	7	1	..	45

The remaining Starred Questions were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly.

(b) Unstarred —*Nil.*

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II. Call Attention Notices

The following Call Attention Notices were admitted and the Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect thereof:

1. No. 91 .....by Chaudhri Kewal Krishan
2. No 186.....by Chaudhri Balbir Singh
3. No. 122.....by S. Dalip Singh Pandhi
4. No. 195.....by Com. Babu Singh Master
5. No. 197.....by Com. Satya Pal Dang
6. No. 198.....by Com. Babu Singh master and Com. Satya Pal Dang
7. No. 199.....by Shri Sardari Lal Kapur
8. No. 201 & 202..by Sardar Lachhman Singh
9. No. 204.....by Com. Darshan Singh Jhabal and Jathedar Hardit Singh Bhathal.
10. No. 205.....by Sardar Kirpal Singh

III. Presentation of the Reports of Committee of Privileges

The Chairman of the Privileges Committee presented—

(i) the First Report of the Committee of Privileges—question of privilege regarding the handcuffing of Comrade Kulwant Singh, M.L.A. by the Police authorities of Jullundur ; and

(ii) the Second Report of the Committee of Privileges regarding pressure exerted on Srardar Bachan Singh Pakho, M.L.A. by Sardar Gurbachan Singh Bahya, D.S.P., to leave the Congress Legislature Party.

IV. Statement Under Rule 64

The Irrigation Minister made a statement in connection with the out break of two disastrous fires in the Verka Power House which resulted in failure of ectricity in Amritsar on the 21st and 22nd October, 1969.

V. Censure Motions

With regard to the two No. Confidence Motions , one given notice of by Capt. Rattan Singh and 11 other M.L.As. and the other by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and three other M.L.As., on which ruling had been reserved by the Deputy Speaker on the 23rd October, 1969 the Speaker observed that since he found Rule 65 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business partly in conflict with the Constitutional provision on the subject, he had with consent of the movers giving notice of No-Confindence Motions, admitted these as Censure Motions.

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1. Capt. Rattan Singh, while moving that :—

"This House censures the conduct of Shri Krishan Lal, Minister for Finance and Local Government, Punjab, for the following reasons :—

(a) for keeping vindictive attitude against Municipal Committees dominated by the Congress Party and Municipal Commissioners belonging to Congress Party ;

(b) for his anti-labour policies ;

(c) for using his official position and power for partisan and discriminatory policies ; and

(d) for not allowing Municipal Committees to incur expenditure for the Gandhi Jayanti Centenary Celebrations".

spoke for 28 minutes.

2. Comrade Satya Pal Dang, while moving that :—

"This House censures the conduct of Shri Krishan Lal, Finance Minister Punjab for the following reasons besides others :—

1. for pursuing an anti-working class and anti-employees policy; and

2. for misusing his official position and powerss for partisan ends".

spoke for 35 minutes.

Besides the movers one member each from S.S.P., Treasury Benches, Swatantra, P.S.P. and the Chief Minister and the Finance Minister took part in the discussion speaking for 16, 10, 8, 13, 20, and 25 minutes respectively.

Capt. Rattan Singh and Comrade Satya Pal Dang spoke for 5 minutes and 10 minutes respectively, by way of reply. The motion was put to the vote of the House. The Members were asked to stand in their seats. 28 voted for the motion and 47 against it. The motion was declared lost.

VI. Announcements

By the Secretary :—

"Under Rule 2 of the Punjab State Legislature (Communications) Rules, 1959, I have to inform the House that the following two Bills passed by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad on the 3rd November, 1969, have been received for concurrence of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha :—

1. The Punjab Security of Land Tenures (Amendment) Bill, 1969.

2. The Pepsu Tenancy and Agriculture Lands (Amendment) Bill, 1969.

I also lay a copy of the Bills on the Table of the House."

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VII. Legislative Business and Resolutions under Clause 2(a) of Article 213 of the Constitution of India

1. (i) RESOLUTION disapproving the Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment) Ordinance, 1969, and

(ii) The Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment), Bill, 1969.

Resolution disapproving the Ordinance was moved by Master Babu Singh. The Education Minister introduced the Bill and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once. It was decided to discuss the motion for the disapproval of the Ordinance and that, of consideration of Bill together.

One Member each from C.P.I., Opposition (Congress), Treasury Benches, S.S.P. and C.P.I. (M) spoke for 7, 10,2, 3 and 4 minutes respectively. The Chief Minister taking the part in the discussion spoke for 4 minutes.

The Bill was then taken into consideration Clause by Clause.

Clause 2

Amendments to the clause were either withdrawn by the leave of the House or declared out of order. Clause was put and carried.

Clauses 3, 1 *and Title*

Clauses 3, 1, and Title were put and carried., and the Bill was passed.

1.30 P.M.

(*Lunch break from* 1.30 *p.m to* 2.30 *p.m.*)

2. (i) Resolution disapproving the Punjab Motor Spirit (Texation of Sales) Amendment Ordinance, 1969. And

2.30 P.M.

(ii) The Punjab Motor Spirit (Taxation of Sales) Amendment Bill, 1969.

Resolution disapproving the Ordinance was moved by Master Gurbanta Singh. The Chief Minister introduced the Bill and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once. It was decided that both the motions be discussed together.

A Member from the Opposition made a few remarks.

The motion for disapproving the Ordinance was put and lost and that of consideration of the Bill was put and carried.

The Bill was then taken into consideration Clause by Clause.

Clause 2

Amendment to the clause was declared out of order. Clause was put and carried.

Clauses 3, 4, *Clause* 1 *and Title*

Clauses 3 and 4 and Clause 1 and Title were put and carried.

Motion moved by the Chief Minister that the Bill be passed was put and carried and the Bill was passed.

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3. (i) Resolution disapproving the Punjab Aided Schools (Security of Service) Ordinance, 1969.—

(ii) The Punjab Aided Schools (Security of Service) Bill, 1969 —

Resolution disapproving the Ordinance was moved by Master Gurbanta Singh. The Education Minister introduced the Bill and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

It was decided to discuss both the motions together.

Three members from the Opposition (Congress), One member each from C.P.I., S.S.P., Treasury Benches, P.S.P. and Education Minister took part in the discussion speaking for 22, 18, 11, 5, 3, and 10 minutes respectively.

The motion for disapproval of the Ordinance was put and lost and that for the consideration the Bill was put and carried.

The Bill was then taken into consideration Clause by Clause.

Clause 2

No amendment to the clause was moved. Clause was put and carried.

Clause 3

Amendments Nos. 58 and 59 were moved and lost. Clause was put and carried.

Clauses 4 & 5

Amendments to the clauses were either declared out of order or not moved. Clauses were put and carried.

Clause 6

Amendments to clause were either ruled out of order or lost, Clause was put and carried.

Clauses 7 , 8 *and* 9

Clauses were put and carried.

Clause 1

Amendments to clause not moved. Clause was put and carried.

Title

Title was put and carried, and the Bill was passed.

4. (i) Resolution disapproving the Punjab Passengers and Goods Taxation (Amendment) Ordinance, 1969.

(ii) The Punjab Passengers and Goods Taxation (Amendment) Bill, 1969.

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Resolution disapproving the Punjab Passengers and Goods Taxation (Amendment) Ordinance was moved by Comrade Satya Pal Dang. The Chief Minister introduced the Bill and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

It was decided to discuss both the motions together.

Three members from the Opposition (Congress), one each from the C.P.I., C.P.I.(M), Treasury Benches, and S.S.P. took part in the discussion speaking for 10, 7, 3, 6, and 3 minutes respectively.

The motion for disapproving the Ordinance was put and lost and that of for consideration of the Bill was put and carried.

The Bill, then, was taken into consideration Clause by Clause.

Clauses 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 , Clause 1 and Title were put and carried, and the Bill was passed.

5. (i) Resolution disapproving the Punjabi University (Amendment) Ordinance, 1969.

(ii) The Punjabi University (Amendment) Bill, 1969.

Resolution disapproving the Punjabi University (Amendment) Ordinance was moved by Sardar Umrao Singh. The Education Minister introduced the Bill and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

It was decided that both the motions be discussed together.

Two members from the Opposition (Congress), One each from C.P.I. and S.S.P., and the Education Minister took part in the discussion speaking for 28 minutes, 13 minutes, 8 minutes and 14 minutes respectively.

The motion for disapproving the Ordinance was put and lost and that of for consideration of the Bill was put and carried.

The Bill was then taken into consideration Clause by Clause.

Clauses 2 *and* 3

Clauses 2 and 3 were put and carried.

Clause 4

Amendments to the Clause were either not moved or moved and lost. The Clause was put and carried.

Clause 5

Amendment to the Clause was not moved. The Clause was put and carried

Clauses 6, 7 *and Clause* 1 *and Title*

Clauses 6 and 7 and Clause 1 and the Title were put and carried.

The motion moved by the Education Minister that the Bill be passed was carried and the Bill was passed.

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6. (i) Resolution disapproving the Guru Nanak University Amritsar, Ordinance, 1969.

(ii) The Guru Nanak University Amritsar, Bill, 1969.

Resolution disapproving the Ordinance was moved by Master Gurbanta Singh. The Education Minister introduced the Bill and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

It was decided that both the motions be discussed together.

Two members from the Opposition (Congress) One each from P.S.P., C.P.I. and S.S.P. took part in the discussion speaking for 18 minutes, 7 minutes, 9 minutes and one minute respectively.

The Education Minister made a few observations.

The motion for disapproving the Ordinance was put and lost and that of for the consideration of the Bill was put and carried.

The Bill was then taken into consideration Clause by Clause.

Clause 2

Clause 2 was put and carried.

Clauses 3, 4, 5, 6 *and* 7

Amendments to the Clauses were not moved. The Clauses were put and carried.

Clauses 8 *and* 9

Clauses 8 and 9 were put and carried.

Clause 10

Amendments to the Clause were not moved. Clause was put and carried.

Clauses 11 *and* 12

Clauses 11 and 12 were put and carried.

Clause 13

Amendment to the Clause was not moved. The clause was put and carried.

Clauses 15 *to* 29

Clauses 15 to 29 were put and carried.

Clause 1 *and title*

Clause 1 and the Title were put and carried.

The motion moved by the Education Minister that the Bill be passed was put and carried and the Bill was passed.

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VIII. Extension of Time

The time of the sitting was extended by one hour or till the passage of bill, if earlier.

S. Jasdev Singh Sandhu, a member of Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 11.15 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and Sardar Shashpal Singh, another member of Panel of Chairmen, from 4.07 p.m. to 6.40 p.m.

The Sabha then adjourned till 9.00 a.m. on Thursday, the 6th November, 1969

BULLETIN No. 12

Thursday, the 6th November, 1969

(Brief record of the proceedings of the meeting of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha held on the Thursday, the 6th November, 1969 from 9.00 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred.

Total No. of questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
25	10	..	5	70

The remaining Starred Questions were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab legislative Assembly.

(b) Unstarred—*Nil.*

II. Adjournment Motion

Adjournment Motion (No. 27) given notice of by Dr. Amir Singh seeking to discuss 'the reported move to give more acilities to the members of the House through an Ordinance' was ruled out of order.

III. Statements Laid on the Table

The Industries Minister laid on the Table the statements in reply to Call Attention Notices Nos. 7, 15, 23, 38, 43, 44, 57, 67, 71, 75, 82, 83, 96, 97, 137 and 179.

IV. Motion Under Rule 16

The motion moved by the Chief Minister—

"that the Assembly at its rising this day shall stand adjourned *sine die*" was carried.

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V. Walk Out

Persistent efforts of the Opposition having failed to get a policy statement made by the Government promptly on the Call Attention Notice (No. 196) admitted on the 4th November, 1969 regarding reported appeal of the members of the family of Late S. Darshan Singh Pheruman to the people 'not to undertake journey to Pheruman village to participate in his 'Bhog' ceremony and suffer humiliations at the hands of the State Government, all members of the Opposition belonging to Congress, the S.S.P., P.S.P., Swatantra and an independent member walked out of the Assembly. While doing so, they shouted certain slogans. The speaker, however, declared that these slogans etc. were not to form part of the proceedings.

A little later, members belonging to the C.P.I. and C.P.I. (M) also staged a walk-out as a protest against what they termed as 'a large scale misuse of the Punjab Security Act.'

All those who staged walk-out returned to the House almost immediately.

VI. Reports of the Committee of Privileges

The Chairman (S. Jasdev Singh Sandhu) moved—

1. (i) that the First Report of the Committee of Privileges presented to the House on the 5th November, 1969, on the question of privileges regarding the hand-cuffing of Comrade Kulwant Singh, M.L.A., by the police authorities of Jullundur be taken into consideration.

(ii) that this House having considered the Report of the Committee of Privileges agrees with the recommendations contained therein.

2. (i) that the Second Report of the Committee of Privileges presented to the House on the 5th November, 1969, on the question of Privilege regarding pressure exerted on Sardar Bachan Singh Pakho M.L.A., by Sardar Gurbachan Singh Bahya, D.S.P., to leave the Congress Party be taken into consideration.

(ii) also that this House having considered the Report of the Committee of Privileges agrees with the recommendations contained therein.

After some discussion, the House agreed to postpone the consideration of the reports to the next session.

VII. Legislative Business

1. *The Pepsu Occupancy Tenants (Vesting of Proprietary Rights) Amendment Bill*, 1969.

The Revenue Minister, with a few remarks, moved that the Pepsu Occupancy Tenants (Vesting of Proprietary Rights) Amendment Bill, be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was put and carried. The Bill was taken into consideration clause by clause.

Clauses 2, 1 *and the Title*

Clauses 2, 1 and the Title were put and carried and the Bill was passed.

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2. *The Punjab Tenancy (Amendment) Bill*, 1969.

The Revenue Minister, with a few observations moved that the Punjab Tenancy (Amendment) Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was put and carried.

The Bill was then taken into consideration Clause by Clause.

Clauses 2, 1, *and Title*

Clauses 2, 1 and the Title was put and carried.

The motion was moved by the Revenue Minister that the Bill be passed was put and carried and the Bill was passed.

3. *The Punjab Cinemas (Regulation) Amendment Bill*, 1969.

The Industries Minister moved that the Punjab Cinemas (Regulation) Amendment Bill be taken into consideration at once.

One member from the Opposition and the Chief Minister made a few observations.

The Motion was put and carried and the Bill was taken into consideration Clause by Clause.

Clauses 2, 3, 4, 5, 1 *and Title*

Clauses 2, 3, 4, 5, 1 and the Title were put and carried.

The motion moved by the Chief Minister that the Bill be passed was carried and the Bill was passed.

4. *The Punjab Instruments (Control of Noises) Amendment Bill*, 1969

The Chief Minister moved that the Punjab Instruments (Control of Noises) Amendment Bill be taken into consideration at once.

One member from the Tresasury Benches, four from the Opposition (Congress) one each from C.P.I., P.S.P. and C.P.I. (M) took part in the discussion speaking for 1 minute, 9 minutes, 9 minutes, 4 minutes and 3 minutes, respectively.

The Chief Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 2 minutes.

The motion for consideration of the Bill was put and carried.

The Bill was then taken into consideration Clasue by Clause.

Clause 2

One amendment was moved by a member of the C.P.I. and was lost. The clause was put and carried.

Clause 1 *and Title*

Clause 1 and the Title were put and carried.

The motion moved by the Revenue Minister that the Bill be passed was carried and the Bill was passed.

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5. *The Punjab Dramatic Performance (Amendment) Bill, 1969.*

The Revenue Minister moved that the Punjab Dramatic Performance (Amendment) Bill be taken into consideration at once.

Four members from the Opposition (Congress), one each from C.P.I. and C.P.I.(M) took part in the discussion speaking for 7 minutes, 2 minutes, 2 minutes and 1 minute respectively.

The Revenue Minister, by way of reply, made a few observations.

The motion was put and carried.

The Bill was then taken into consideration Clause by Clause.

Clauses 2,1, and Title

Clauses 2, 1 and Title were put and carried.

The motion moved by the Revenue Minister that the Bill be passed was put and carried and the Bill was passed.

6. *The Good Conduct Prisoners Probational Release (Amendment) Bill, 1969.*

The Revenue Minister moved that the Good Conduct Prisoners Probational Release (Amendment) Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was put and carried and the Bill was then taken into consideration Clause by Clause.

Clauses 2, 1 and Title

Clauses 2,1 and Title were put and carried.

The motion moved by the Revenue Minister that the Bill be passed was put and carried and the Bill was passed.

7. *The Punjab Security of Land Tenures (Amendment) Bill, 1969*

The Revenue Minister moved that the Punjab Security of Tenures (Amendment) Bill, be taken into consideration at once.

9 members from the Opposition (Congress), one each from C.P.I., Treasury Benches, P.S.P., Swatantra, Independent, S.S.P., and C.P.I. (M) took part in discussion speaking for 33 8, 7, 4, 5, 2,2,2 minutes respectively.

The Revenue Minister, by way of reply, made a few observations.

The motion was put and carried and the Bill was then taken into conside ration Clause by Clause.

Clause 2

Amendments Nos. 1, 2, and 3 of the Clause were ruled out of order. Amendment No. 4 was put and carried. The Clause, as amended, was put and carried.

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Clause 1 *and Title*

Clause 1 and Title were put and carried.

The motion moved by the Revenue Minister that the Bill be passed, was put and carried and the Bill was passed.

8. *The Pepsu Tenancy and Agricultural Lands (Amendment) Bill,* 1969.

The Revenue Minister moved that the Pepsu Tenancy and Agricultural lands (Amendment) Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was put and carried. The Bill was then taken into consideration Clause by Clause.

Clause 2

Amendments Nos. 1, 2, 3, of the Clause were ruled out of order. Amendments Nos. 4 and 5 to the Clause were put and carried.

Clause 2, as amended, was put and carried.

New Clause

Leave to move the clause was granted. Clause was put and carried.

Clause 1 *and Title*

Clause 1 and Title were put and carried.

The Revenue Minister moved that the Bill, as amended, be passed.

One member from the Opposition (Congress) spoke for 5 minutes and one from S.S.P. made a few remarks.

The motion was put and carried and the Bill, as amended, was passed.

VIII. Non-Official Business

The Punjab Public Men (Inquiries) Bill 1969.

Comrade Satya Pal Dang, a member of C.P.I., asked for leave to move the Punjab Public Men (Inquiries) Bill.

The Chief Minister opposing the motion made a few observations.

The motion was put and declared lost, by a voice vote. The opinion of the Chair was challenged and division was claimed. Division bells were rung. The members were asked to go to the lobbies for recording their votes:—

For the motion 27

Against the motion 42

Leave to introduce the Bill was refused.

IX. Statement by the Chief Minister

The Chief Minister made a statement with regard to the Call Attention Notice No. 196 admitted on the 4th November, 1969.

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One question thereon was asked by the Deputy Leader of the Opposition.

X. Extension of Time

The time of the sitting was extended by 5 minutes .

Sardar Shashpal Singh, a member of Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 10.52 a.m. to 12.27 p.m.

The Sabha then adjourned *Sine-die*.

BULLETIN No. 13

Wednesday, the 26th November, 1969

(Brief record of the proceedings of the meeting of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha held on Wednesday, the 26th November, 1969, from 2.00 p.m. to 5.27 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred—

Asking of questions began with the List of Postponed Starred Questions for the 26th November, 1969.

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	No. of Supplementaries
38	11	1	..	66

The remaining Starred Questions were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly.

(b) Unstarred—33

II. Question of Privilege

Question of Privilege given notice of by Sardar Umrao Singh regarding 'the reported statement of the Fi ance Minister that an Ordinance would be issued levying new taxes in the State' was ruled out of order by the Chair on the ground that it was based on merely a surmise of the Press Correspondent.

III. Adjournment Motions

(1) Adjournment Motion (No. 30) given notice of by Sardar Kirpal Singh regarding the reported obstruction caused by the Police in the immersion of ashes of late Shri Pheruman, was ruled out of order ;

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(2) Adjournment Motion (No. 29) given notice of by Shri Satya Pal Dang regarding the decision of Sant Fateh Singh to go on fast on the 26th January, 1970, was ruled out of order ;

(3) Adjournment Motions (Nos. 28 and 31) given notice of by Sardar Umrao Singh and Chaudhri Balbir Singh respectively were declared to be time-barred.

IV. Motion under Rule 84

Consent was refused to the motion given notice of by Sardar Umrao Singh regarding 'the situation arising out of the threat of Sant Fateh Singh, Akali Leader, for committing the self-immolation.

V. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 215) given by S. Santokh Singh regarding 'the hunger strike resorted to by the Leader of the Laboratory Assistants of Government High/Higher Secondary Schools in the State' ;

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 216) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang regarding 'the reported intention of the Government to impose such new taxes as will hit the average citizens more than the rich classes' ;

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 217) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang regarding 'the decision of the Punjab Subordinate Services Federation to protest against the refusal of the Government to accept their demands ' ;

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 219) given by Sardar Kirpal Singh regarding 'the increase in the adulteration of articles of food, etc.' ;

(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 221) given by Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda regarding 'the discontentment prevailing in the Engineering Industry of Punjab, specially that of Amritsar due to scarcity of raw material';

(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 229) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and two other M.L.As. regarding 'the strike of over 3,500 workers of the Jagatjit Textile Mills, Phagwara ' ;

(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 230) given by Sardar Santokh Singh regarding 'the decision to appoint the I.A.S. Secretary of Punjab State Electricity Board as a Member-cum-Secretary of the Board ' ;

(8) Call Attention Notice (No. 231) given by Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal regarding 'the present position of the demands of various Teachers Unions who are sitting in dharna outside the Vidhan Bhawan ' ;

(9) Call Attention Notice (No. 232) given by Sardar Raja Singh regarding 'the serious damage caused to the standing vegetable crops by a new type of insect' ; were admitted and the Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect thereof. In respect of Call Attention Notices No. 215 and 221 the Chief Minister and the Industries Minister made statements there and then.

VI. Obituary References

The Chief Minister made references to the deaths of the late—

(i) Dr. P. V. Cherian, Governor of Maharashtra ;
(ii) Mrs. Violet Alva, Former Deputy Chairman, Rajya Sabha ; and

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(iii) Chaudhri Harbhaj Ram, Ex-M.L.A.

Capt. Rattan Singh, Deputy Leader of the Opposition (Congress) Comrade Satya Pal Dang (C.P.I.) Chaudhri Balbir Singh S.S.P., Jathedar Hardit Singh Bhathal C.P.I. (M) and Sardar Kirpal Singh (P.S.P.) made observations.

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed in the House.

The House stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased.

It was decided to send messages of condolence to the bereaved families.

VII. Motion Under Rule 16

The Chief Minister, with a few observations, moved 'that the Assembly at its rising this day, shall stand adjourned *Sine-die*'.

Two members from the Opposition (Congress), one each from S.S.P., C.P.I. spoke for 7 minutes, 4 minutes and 3 minutes respectively.

The motion was put and declared carried. The opinion of the Chair was challenged. The Division Bells were rung and the motion was again put and carried.

VIII. Statements Laid on the Table

The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid on the Table the statements in reply to Call Attention Notices Nos. 30, 34, 42, 52, 94, 11, 101, 168, 188, 195, 197, 162, 167, 198, 201 and 205.

IX. Papers Laid on the Table

The Finance Minister laid on the Table the Notification No. 2588-IL&E-68/7592, dated the 22nd March, 1969, as required under section 40(3) of the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947.

X. Announcements by the Secretary

(1) "Under Rule 2 of the Punjab State Legislature (Communications) Rules 1959, I have to inform the House that the following Bills which were passed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on the dates mentioned against each and transmitted to the Punjab Vidhan Parishad for its concurrence/recommendations have been agreed to by the said Vidhan Parishad without any amendment/recommendation on the dates indicated :—

Serial No.	Title of the Bill	Date on which passed by the Vidhan Sabha	Date on which agreed to by the Vidhan Parishad
1	The Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 1969 ..	4-11-69	7-11-69
2	The Punjab School Education Board Bill, 1969..	4-11-69	7-11-69

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3	The Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment) Bill, 1969	5-11-69	7-11-69
4	The Punjab Motor Spirits (Taxation of Sales) Amendment Bill, 1969	5-11-69	7-11-69
5	The Punjab Aided Schools (Security of Service) Bill, 1969	5-11-69	7-11-69
6	The Punjab Passengers and Goods Taxation (Amendment) Bill, 1969	5-11-69	7-11-69
7	The Punjabi University (Amendment) Bill, 1969	5-11-69	7-11-69
8	The Guru Nanak University Amritsar Bill,. 1969	6-11-69	7-11-69

Further, that the amendments made by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha in the Punjab Security of Land Tenures (Amendment) Bill, 1969 and the Pepsu Tenancy and Agricultural Lands (Amendment) Bill, 1969 on the 6th November, 1969, have been agreed to by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad on the 7th November, 1969.

Further, I have to inform the House that the Punjab Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Bill, 1969, which was passed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on the 31st October, 1969, and transmitted to the Punjab Vidhan Parishad for its concurrence has been returned by the said Parishad on the 7th November, 1969, with amendments. I also lay on the Table of the House a copy of this Bill along with the amendments made by the Vidhan Parishad."

(2) "I beg to lay on the Table of the House a statement showing the Bills, which were passed by the Punjab State Legislature during its current (Autumn) Session, 1969, and which have since been assented to by the Governor.

STATEMENT

1. The Punjab Official Language (Amendment) Bill, 1969.

2. The Punjab Public Premises and Land (Eviction and Rent Recovery) Amendment, Bill, 1969.

3. The Punjab State Aid to Industries (Amendment) Bill, 1969.

4. The Punjab Land Revenue (Amendment) Bill, 1969

5. The Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 1969."

XI. Legislative Business

The Punjab Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Bill, 1969

The Chief Minister moved that 'the amendments made by the Punjab Vidhan Parishad in the Punjab Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Bill which was passed

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by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on the 31st October, 1969, to be taken into consideration at once.'

Five members from the Opposition (Congress), one each from C.P.I., S.S.P. and P.S.P., spoke for 20 minutes, 5 minutes. 2 minutes and 6 minutes respectively.

The Chief Minister by way of reply, spoke for 3 minutes. The motion for consideration was put and carried.

Clause 9

One amendment to Clause 9 was moved, considered and lost and the clause was carried.

Clause 11

Three amendments to Clause 11 were moved, considered and lost and the clause was carried.

The motion moved by the Chief Minister that the Bill, as originally passed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha, be passed again was put and carried.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 4.45 p.m. to 5.27 p.m.

The Sabha then adjourned Sine-die.

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PREFACE

The following pages contain Resume of Business transacted by the Fifth Vidhan Sabha during its Third Session in January-March, 1970, together with the bulletins issued daily after the adjournment of each sitting of the Sabha.

2. It is hoped that the publication would be found useful by Members and others who may wish to know in detail what work was done each day by the Vidhan Sabha in the Third Session.

3. Any suggestion for further improvement of this publication in future would be very gratefully welcomed.

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The 2nd July, 1970

KRISHEN SWAROOP,

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SUMMONING AND SITTING OF THE VIDHAN SABHA

The Fifth Punjab Vidhan Sabha was summoned to meet for its 3rd Session in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha Hall, Vidhan Bhavan, Chandigarh, on Monday, the 19th January, 1970, by an Order of the Governor, dated the 9th January, 1970, and continued to meet till the 30th March, 1970, when it was adjourned *sine die*. It was prorogued by an Order, dated the 10th April, 1970.

During the Session, the Sabha held 24 sittings (excluding the one when the Governor addressed the Punjab Vidhan Sabha). The Sabha held two sittings on the 19th March, 1970.

PROGRAMME OBSERVED BY THE FIFTH PUNJAB VIDHAN SABHA DURING ITS 3RD SESSION HELD FROM THE 19TH JANUARY, 1970, TO THE 30TH MARCH, 1970.

Date	Programme
19th January, 1970 (11.00 A.M.)	Governor's Address to the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.
19th January, 1970 (3.00 P.M. to 7.25 P.M.)	(1) Reference to the deaths of—
	(a) Sardar Gurmukh Nihal Singh, Ex-Governor of Rajasthan.
	(b) Professor D.C. Sharma, M.P.
	(c) S. Kartar Singh Balaggan, Punjabi Poet.
	(2) Presentation and adoption of the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
	(3) Resolution under Article 368 of the Constitution regarding ratification of the amendments to the Constitution of India proposed to be made by the Constitution (Twenty-Third Amendment) Bill, 1969 as passed by the Houses of Parliament.
	(4) Presentation of the Second Preliminary Report of the Committee of Privileges regarding the threatening behaviour of Sardar Harbhagwan Singh, Ex-M.L.A., towards Sardar Trilochan Singh Riasti, M.L.A. in the precincts of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.
	(5) Motion for extension of time upto 31st March, 1970, for presenting the Report of the Committee of Privileges regarding the threatening behaviour of Sardar Harbhagwan Singh, Ex-M.L.A. towards Sardar Trilochan Singh Riasti, M.L.A.., in the precincts of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.
	(6) Motion regarding suspension of rules 30(3) and 193 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly for the purpose of moving Resolution by Chaudhri Balbir Singh, M.L.A.
	(7) Resolution—
	"That this House recommends unanimously to the State Government that the Central Government be approached with a request that Chandigarh and other Punjabi Speaking areas be transferred immediately to Punjab and that the Administration of

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	Bhakra Board be restored as it existed in 1966 and that Punjab Government should not enter into any bargain or make any compromise in this connection. (Carried unanimously).
20th January 1970 to 22nd February, 1970	.. The House remained adjourned.
23rd February, 1970 (2.00 P.M. to 6.30 P.M.)	.. (1) Reference to the deaths of— (a) Shri Roop Lal Mehta, M.L.A. Haryana (Ex-M.L.A. Punjab); and (b) Shri Pataskar, Ex-Minister of Union Government and Ex-Governor. (2) Discussion of the Governor's Address (Continued on the 24th February, 1970.)
24th February, 1970 (9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)	.. 1. Presentation and adoption of the Second Report of .. the Business Advisory Committee. 2. Presentation of the twenty-sixth Report of the Public Accounts Committee on the Appropriation Accounts of the Punjab Government for the years 1964-65 and 1965-66 and the Audit Reports 1966 and 1967. 3. Resumption of discussion of the Governor's Address (Continued on the 25th February, 1970).
25th February, 1970 (9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)	.. Resumption of discussion of the Governor's Address (Continued on the 27th February, 1970).
26th February, 1970 (9.00 A.M. to 1.30. P.M.)	.. (1) Oath by Sardar Harchand Singh from Lehra Constituency under Article 188 of the Constitution. (2) Non-official business-Resolution— "This House recommends to the Government to approach the Government of India to so amend the Constitution of India as to exclude the right to property as a Fundamental Right." (Continued on the 5th March, 1970)
27th February, 1970 (9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)	.. (1) Presentation of Supplementary Estimates (Second Instalment) for the year, 1969-70. (2) Presentation of the Report of the Estimates Committee on the Supplementary Estimates (Second Instalment for the year 1969-70. (3) Resumption of discussion of the Governor's Address (concluded).
28th February, 1970 and 1st March, 1970.	.. Holidays.

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2nd March, 1970 (2.00 P.M. to 6.10 P.M.) ..	Discussion and voting of the Supplementary Estimates (Second Instalment) for the year 1969-70.
3rd March, 1970 (9.00 A.M. to 1.04 P.M.) ..	The Punjab Appropriation Bill, 1970.
4th March, 1970 (9.00 A.M. to 11.10 A.M.) ..	Presentation of Budget for the year 1970-71.
5th March, 1970 (9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.) ..	(1) Non-official Business— (i) Bill— The Punjab Industrial Employees' Payment of Gratuity Bill, 1970 (Leave refused). (ii) Resolution— "Resumption of discussion on the following resolution moved by Comrade Kulwant Singh, M.L.A. on the 26th February, 1970 :— "This House recommends to the Governor to approach the Government of India to so amend the Constitution of India as to exclude the right to property as a Fundamental Right." (continued on the 12th March, 1970).
6th March, 1970 7th March, 1970 8th March, 1970	Holidays.
9th March, 1970 (2.00 P.M. to 6.30 P.M.) ..	(1) Reference to the death of Shri Mohan Lal Datta, Ex-M.L.A. (2) Introduction of the Punjab Special Powers (Press) Amendment Bill, 1970. (3) General discussion of the Budget for the year 1970-71 (continued on the 11th March, 1970).
10th March, 1970 (9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.) ..	Resumption of general discussion of the Budget for the year 1970-71 . (Continued on the 11th March, 1970).
11th March, 1970 (9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.) ..	(1) Presentation and adoption of the Third Report of the Business Advisory Committee. (2) Resumption of general discussion of the Budget for the year 1970-71 (Continued on the 13th March, 1970).
12th March, 1970 (9.00 A.M. to 1.05 P.M.) ..	Resumption of discussion on the following resolution moved by Comrade Kulwant Singh, M.L.A. on the 26th February, 1970 :— "This House recommends to the Government to approach the Government of India to so amend the Constitution of India as to exclude the right to property as a Fundamental Right. (Lost).

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13th March, 1970 .. (9.00 A.M. to 1.20. P.M.)	Resumption of general discussion of the Budget for the year 1970-71 (continued).
14th March, 1970 15th March, 1970	Holidays.
16th March, 1970 .. (2.00 P.M. to 6.20 P.M.)	Discussion on the Government Demands for Grants (Demands Nos. 9 and 12).
17th March, 1970 .. (9.00 A.M. to 1.35 P.M.)	Discussion on the Government Demands for Grants (Demands Nos. 26, 27, 28, 43, 44 and 50).
18th March, 1970 .. (9.00 A.M. to 2.10. P.M.)	Discussion on Government Demands for Grants (Demands Nos. 22, 42, 17 and 18).
19th March, 1970 .. (9.00 A.M. to 1.00 P.M.) (Morning sitting).	(1) Laying of the recommendation of the Rules Committee as contained in its First Report.
	(2) Non-official business-resolution— "This House recommends to the Government to raise suitable Memorial/Memorials to perpetuate the memory of the late Sardar Darshan Singh Pheruman who, after a heroic struggle with life lasting not less than 74 days, laid down his precious life for securing Chandigarh for Punjab." (Not concluded).
19th March, 1970 .. (Afternoon Sitting) (2.30 P.M. to 6.21 P.M.)	(1) Presentation and adoption of the Fourth Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
	(2) Discussion on Government Demands for Grants (Demands Nos. 3, 32, 47, 2, 4 and 5)
20th March, 1970 .. (9.00 A.M. to 1.23 P.M.)	(1) Presentation of the Third Preliminary Report of the Committee of Privileges regarding the threatening behaviour of S. Harbhagwan Singh, Ex-M.L.A., towards Sardar Trilochan Singh Riasti, M.L.A. in the precincts of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.
	(2) Motion for extension of time upto the 30th September, 1970 for presenting the Report of the Privileges Committee regarding the threatening behaviour of Sardar Harbhagwan Singh, Ex- M.L.A., towards Sardar Trilochan Singh Riasti, M.L.A., in the precincts of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.
	(3) Presentation of the Preliminary Report of the Committee of Privileges relating to a news item published in the daily 'Hind Smachar' dated the 23rd February, 1970 mentioning certain information regarding Report of the Committee of Estimates.

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	(4) Motion for extension of time upto the 30th September, 1970 for presenting the Report of the Committee of Privileges relating to a News-items published in the daily 'Hind Smachar' dated the 23rd February, 1970 mentioning certain information regarding the Report of the Committee of Estimates.
	(5) Discussion on the Government Demands for Grants (Nos. 16, 15 and 25).
	(6) All other Government Demands for Grants.
21st March, 1970 22nd March, 1970 23rd March, 1970 24th March, 1970 ..	Holidays.
25th March, 1970 (2.00 P.M. to 3.45 P.M.) ..	(1) References to the deaths of Major Amir Singh, Ex-M.L.A. and Mr. Jai Pal Singh, M.P.
	(2) Presentation of the Report of the Ad-hoc Committee appointed to enquire into the matter relating to the entry of police/outsiders in the House on the 18th March, 1968.
	(3) Presentation of the Twenty-Seventh Report of the Public Accounts Committee on the Appropriation Accounts of the Punjab Government for the years 1964-65 and 1965-66 and the Audit Reports 1966 and 1967.
	(4) Presentation of the Twenty-Eighth Report of the Public Accounts Committee on the Appropriation Accounts of the Punjab Government for the years 1966-67 and 1967-68 and the Audit Reports 1968 and 1969.
	(5) Presentation of the Report of the Estimates Committee on the Budget Estimates for the year 1969-70.
	(6) Presentation of the Thirteenth Report of the Committee on Government Assurances.
	(7) The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill 1970. (Bill No. 6 P.L.A. of 1970) (Rejected).
26th March, 1970 (9.00 A.M. to 9.38 P.M.)	Adjournment of the House till Monday, the 30th March, 1970.
27th March, 1970 28th March, 1970 29th March, 1970 ..	Holidays.

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30th March, 1970 .. (2.00 P.M. to 7.45 P.M.)	(1) Motion under Rule 15 for exempting the proceedings on the items of business for the day from the provision of the Rule 'Sitting of the Assembly' indefinitely (carried). (2) Withdrawal of the Punjab Special Powers (Press) Amendment Bill, 1970. (3) Motion under Rule 121 regarding suspension of Rule 172(2) (carried). (4) The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1970 (Bill No. 8-P.L.A. of 1970). (5) Motion regarding adjournment of the House *sine die* (carried).

PANEL OF CHAIRMEN

On the 19th January, 1970, the Speaker nominated the following on the Panel Chairmen under rule 13 (1) :—

(1) Sardar Shashpal Singh.

(2) Sardar Jasdev Singh Sandhu.

(3) Sardar Basant Singh.

(4) Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda.

BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

NOMINATED BY THE SPEAKER

[Nominated on the 9th March, 1970, under Rule 33 (1) and (3)]

1. The Speaker.. *Ex officio* Chairman.
2. Shri Balram Dass Tandon..Industries Minister.
3. Sardar Atma Singh..Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister.
4. Sardar Balwant Singh .. Food and Supplies Minister.
5. Captain Rattan Singh.
6. Comrade Satya Pal Dang.

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GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS

The Governor addressed the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on Monday the 19th January, 1970, at 11.00 a.m.

The Speaker laid a copy of the Governor's Address before the Sabha the same day in its sitting held in the afternoon.

The motion of thanks on the Address was moved by Sardar Jasdev Singh Sandhu, M.L.A., and seconded by Sardar Trilochan Singh Riasti, M.L.A. on the 23rd February, 1970.

The motion was discussed on —

The 23rd February, 1970	..	For 139 minutes [Treasury 112 minutes and Opposition (Congress) 27 miuutes].
The 24th February, 1970	..	For 175 minutes [Treasury 37 minutes, Opposition (Congress) 75 minutes, C.P.I. 35 minutes and S.S.P. 28 minutes].
The 25th February, 1970	..	For 160 minutes [Treasury 39 minutes, Opposition (Congress) 18 minutes, P.S.P. 20 minutes Shiromani Akali Dal (Panj Kaunsali) 56 minutes, C.P. (M) 22 minutes and Swatantra Party 5 minutes].
The 27th February, 1970	..	For 198 minutes [Treasury 131 minutes, Opposition (Congress) 39 minutes, Swatantra Party 13 minutes and S.S.P. 15 minutes].

Twenty-four members took part in the discussion, 11 from the Treasury (including the mover and seconder of the Motion, Chief Minister and the Finance Minister) 6 from the Opposition (Congress), 1 from C.P.I., 1 from C.P. (M), 2 from S.S.P., 1 each from Swatantra Party, P.S.P. and Shrimoni Akali Dal ((Panj Kaunsali), speaking for 319 minutes, 159 minutes, 35 minutes, 22 minutes, 43 minutes, 18 minutes, 20 minutes and 56 minutes, respectively.

No notice of amendment was received. The motion was carried on the 27th February, 1970.

It was communicated by the Speaker on the 2nd March to the Governor whose acknowledgement was read out to the House on the 9th March, 1970.

REFERENCES

References to the deaths of the following were made by the Chief Minister and Leader of the Opposition/Deputy Leader of the Opposition and other members of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on the dates mentioned against each :—

Serial No.	Name of the deceased	Date on which reference was made
1.	Sardar Gurmukh Nihal Singh, Ex-Governor of Rajasthan.	19-1-70
2.	Professor D.C. Sharma, M.P.	
3.	Sardar Kartar Singh Balaggan, Punjabi Poet	

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Serial No.	Name of deceased	Date on which reference was made
4.	Shri Roop Lal Mehta, M.L.A., Haryana, Ex-M.L.A. Punjab	23-2-70
5.	Dr. H.V. Pataskar, Ex-Minister of Union Government and Ex-Governor	
6.	Pandit Mohan Lal Datta, Ex-M.L.A.	9-3-70
7.	Major Amir Singh, Ex-M.L.A.	25-3-70
8.	Mr. Jai Pal Singh, M.P.	

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed. All the members stood in silence for two minutes on each occasion as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased.

Messages of condolences and sympathy on behalf of the Vidhan Sabha were sent for being conveyed to the members of the respective bereaved families as under :—

Serial No.	Name of deceased	Name of next kin/authority
1.	Sardar Gurmukh Nihal Singh, Ex-Governor of Rajasthan	Sardarni Gurmukh Nihal Singh, C. 193, Defence Colony, New Delhi
2.	Professor D.C. Sharma, M.P.	The Secretary, Lok Sabha, Parliament House, New Delhi
3.	Sardar Kartar Singh Balaggan, Poet	The Chief Secretary to Government, Punjab, Chandigarh
4.	Shri Roop Lal Mehta, M.L.A. Haryana (Ex-M.L.A., Punjab)	The Secretary, Haryana Vidhan Sabha, Chandigarh.
5	Dr. H.V. Pataskar, Ex-Minister of Union Government and Ex-Governor	The Registrar, Poona University, Poona
6.	Pandit Mohan Lal Datta, Ex-M.L.A.	The Secretary, Himachal Pradesh, Vidhan Sabha, Simla.
7.	Major Amir Singh, Ex- M.L.A.	The Secretary, Haryana Vidhan Sabha, Chandigarh
8.	Shri Jai Pal Singh, M.P.	The Secretary, Lok Sabha, Parliament House, New Delhi-1

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FINANCIAL BUSINESS

I. SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES (SECOND INSTALMENT) FOR THE YEAR 1969-70

(i) Supplementary Estimates (Second Instalment) for the year 1969-70, were presented to the Sabha on the 27th February, 1970, and discussed and voted upon on the 2nd March, 1970.

There were 14 demands in all, totalling a sum of Rs 13,09,06,820.

As per past practice, a general discussion on all the Supplementary Demands was permitted. Two members from the Treasury Benches, two from the Opposition Benches (Congress) and one each belonging to the S.S.P., C.P.I., C.P. (M), P.S.P. and Swatantra Party participated in the debate, speaking for 22 minutes, 27 minutes, 19 minutes, 20 minutes, 11 minutes, 11 minutes and 13 minutes, respectively.

All the Demands were put to vote together and carried.

(ii) The Punjab Appropriation Bill, 1970.—The Punjab Appropriation Bill, 1970 (Bill No. 3-PLA of 1970), in respect of the Supplementary Demands voted by the Sabha on the 2nd March, 1970, was introduced on the 3rd March, 1970. It was before the Sabha for 138 minutes.

Three members from the Opposition (Congress), and one each from the Treasury Benches, C.P.I. and S.S.P took part in the discussion and spoke for 65 minutes, 3 minutes, 19 minutes and 21 minutes, respectively. The Finance Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 25 minutes.

The Bill was passed.

II. BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 1970-71

The Budget Estimates for the year 1970-71 were presented to the House by the Finance Minister on the 4th March, 1970.

(i) **General Discussion**—The General discussion on the Budget was held on the—

9th March for 153 minutes [Treasury 80 minutes and opposition (Congress) 73 minutes].

10th March for 227 minutes [Treasury 62 minutes Opposition (Congress) 79 minutes C.P.I. 35 minutes C.P. (M) 22 minutes and Swatantra Party 22 minutes].

11th March for 135 minutes [Treasury 75 minutes and Opposition (Congress) 60 minutes]

13th March for 119 minutes [Treasury 42 minutes Opposition (Congress) 36 minutes S.S.P. 21 minutes and P.S.P. 20 minutes].

The total time taken by the Treasury Benches was 259 minutes, Opposition (Congress) 248 minutes, C.P.I. 35 minutes, C. P. (M) 22 minutes, Swantantra Party 22 minutes, S.S.P. 21 minutes and P.S.P. 20 minutes. The total number of members who participated in the discussion was 28 [13 from the Treasury Benches including the Chief Minister and Finance Minister 10 from the Opposition (Congress) one each from C.P.I. C.P.(M) Swatantra Party S.S.P. and P.S.P.]

(ii) **Demands for Grants.**—There were in all 50 demands for Grants totalling a sum of Rs 4,15,31,67,020.

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Demands Nos. 9, 12, 26, 27, 28, 43, 44, 50, 22, 42, 17, 18, 3, 32, 47, 2, 4, 5, 15, 16 and 25 were specifically discussed in groups and voted upon separately except Demands Nos. 15, 16 and 25 which were put to the Sabha on the 20th March, 1970 and carried after guillotine alongwith the rest of the Demand numbering 29. Please see detailed statement at pages ———— *infra.*

II. THE PUNJAB APPROPRIATION (No. 2) BILL, 1970

The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1970 (Bill No. 6-PLA-70) in respect of the Demands voted by the Sabha on the 20th March, 1970 was introduced on the 25th March, 1970 but it was rejected. Later, by suspending rule 172(2), the Punjab Appropriation (No.2) Bill, 1970 (Bill No.8-PLA of 1970) in respect of the Demands was introduced on the 30th March, 1970.

It was before the House for 135 minutes. The Finance Minister two members from the Opposition (Congress), 1 C.P.I., 2 from S.S.P., one from P.S.P. and one from Shri Shiromani Akali Dal (Panj Kaunsli) participated in the debate, speaking for 5 minutes, 39 minutes, 40 minutes, 29 minutes, 14 minutes and 3 minutes, respectively.

The Bill was passed.

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BUDGET ESTIMATES

Detailed Statement showing the number of Amendments and the number of speeches in respect of demands/Groups of Demands and the dates on

Serial No.	Demand No.	Subject	Date on which discussed	Number of Speeches							Time taken in minutes							Amendments							Amendments Withdrawn	They were Lost	They were discussed
				Try.	Opp. (Cong.)	C.P.I.	C.P. (M)	S.S.P.	P.S.P.	Swat.	Try.	Opp. (Cong.)	C.P.I.	C.P. (M)	S.S.P.	P.S.P.	Swat.	Try.	Opp. (Cong.)	C.P.I.	C.P. (M)	S.S.P.	P.S.P.	Swat.			
1.	9	19—General Administration ..	16-3-70	4	2	1	1	1	1	..	65	37	29	18	12	12	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	2	..
	12	23—Police ..		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	2	..
2.	26	42—Multipurpose River Schemes ..		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..
	27	43—Irrigation, Navigation, Embankment and Drainage Works (Commercial) ..		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	2	..
		44—Irrigation, Navigation, Embankment and Drainage Works (Non-Commercial ..		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	28	Irrigation Establishment ..		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..
	43	98—Capital Outlay on Multipurpose River Schemes ..	17-3-70	6	3	1	1	1	..	1	83	40	15	12	15	..	15	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..
	44	99—Capital Outlay on Irrigation, Navigation and Drainage Works (Commercial) ..		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	..
	50	Local Funds Private Parties etc. and Loan to Government Servants ..		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	2	
3.	22	35—Industries ..		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	1	..	..	3	..
	42	96—Capital Outlay on Industrial and Economic Development ..	18-3-70	7	3	1	..	1	1	1	117	40	15	..	13	13	7	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..
	17	29—Medical ..		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..
	18	30—Public Health ..		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
4.	3	11—Taxes on Vehicles ..		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
	32	57—Road and Water Transport Schemes ..		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..
	47	114—Capital Outlay on Road and Water Transport Schemes ..	19-3-70 (afternoon sitting)	4	2	1	..	1	1	1	57	38	15	..	15	8	10	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
	2	10—State Excise duties ..		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
	4	12—Sales Tax ..		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	3	..
	5	13—Other Taxes and Duties ..		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
5.	15	27—Scientific Departments ..		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	16	28—Education ..	20-3-70	5	2	1	1	1	1	..	61	27	15	14	17	17	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	2	..
	25	39—Miscellaneous, Social and Developmental Organisation ..		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	2	..

1. The rest of the demands for grants were also disposed of on the 20th March, 1970 along with demand numbers 15, 16 and 25.

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LEGISLATION

1. The Sabha transacted legislative business on the 3rd and 30th March, 1970. It passed 2 Bills in all (Both Appropriation Bills) (*see* Table 1).

2. There was another official Bill, namely, the Punjab Special Powers (Press) Amendment Bill, 1970, which was introduced in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on the 9th March, 1970 and was by leave of the House withdrawn on the 30th March, 1970.

3 The notices of the following Bills which were published under the proviso to rule 129 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly stood lapsed on the prorogation of the Vidhan Sabha under rule 7 *ibid* :—

(1) The Punjab Urban Immovable Property Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1970.

(2) The Punjab Entertainments Duty (Amendment) Bill, 1970.

(3) The Punjab Entertainments Tax (Cinematograph Shows) Amendment Bill, 1970.

4. The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1970 (Bill No. 6-PLA of 1970) was rejected by the House on 25th March, 1970.

5. Leave to introduce the Punjab Industrial Employees Payment of Gratuity Bill, 1970 (By Comrade Satya Pal Dang, M.L.A. was refused by the House on 5th March, 1970.

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TABLE

Serial No.	Title of the Bill	Minister introducing	Date of introduction	Date of consideration	Number of speeches			
					Try.	Opp. (Cong.)	C.P.I.	S.S.P.
1.	The Punjab Appropriation Bill, 1970	Finance Minister	3-3-70	3-3-70	2	3	1	1
2.	The Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1970 (Bill No. 8-PLA-1970)	Finance Minister	30-3-70	30-3-70	1	2	1	2

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Time taken in minutes								Amend-ments proposed	Total time taken for disposal in minutes including the time taken for stating the motion	Date of passing
P.S.P.	S.A.D.	Try.	Opp. (Cong)	C.P.I.	S.S.P.	P.S.P.	S.A.D.			
..	..	28	65	19	21	..	..	..	138	3-3-70
1	1	5	39	4	29	14	3	..	135	30-3-70

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Synopsis of the Bills passed by the Vidhan Sabha during its 3rd (Budget) Session, 1970

1. The Punjab Appropriation Bill, 1970. (Introduced and passed on 3rd March 1970).

This Bill provides for the Appropriation from and out of the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab of sums required to meet the Supplementary Grants made by the Vidhan Sabha and expenditure charged on the Consolidated Fund of the State for the Financial year 1969-70.

2. The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1970. (Bill No. 8-PLA of 1970) (Introduced and passed on 30th March, 1970).

This Bill provides for the appropriation from and out of the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab of sums required to meet the grants voted by the Vidhan Sabha and the expenditure charged on the Consolidated Fund of the State for the Financial year 1970-71.

RESOLUTIONS

I. OFFICIAL

The following Official Resolution was moved on the 19th January, 1970, by the Chief Minister :—

> "That this House ratifies the amendments to the Constitution of India falling within the purview of the proviso to Article 368 thereof, proposed to be made by the Constitution (Twenty-Third Amendment) Bill, 1969, as passed by the Houses of Parliament."

Six Members from the Opposition, three from Treasury Benches (including Chief Minister), one each from C.P.I., C.P.(M), S.S.P, P.S.P. and Swatantra Party took part in the diseussion speaking for 90 minutes, 34 minutes, 22 minutes, 6 minutes, 9 minutes, 10 minutes and 5 minutes respectively.

The resolution was carried unanimously

II. NON-OFFICIAL RESOLUTIONS (BALLOTED)

	Total	Treasury Benches (Akali party)	C.P.I.	S.S.P.	P.S.P.	Swa-tantra	Cong-res
1. Number of Notices received ..	169	39	24	2	1	3	100
2. Number admitted ..	84	34	20	2	×	3	25
3. Number disallowed ..	24	5	4	×	×	×	15
4. Number referred back ..	7	×	×	×	1	×	6
5. Number renewed ..	×	×	×	×	×	×	×
6. Number of Resolutions not dealt with because of the decision that not more than first ten admissible resolutions of a member shall be admitted during this Session ..	54	×	×	×	×	×	54

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	Total	Treasury Benches (Akali party)	C.P.I.	S.S.P.	P.S.P.	Swatantra	Congress
7. Number of Resolutions not dealth with for want of fifteen clear days' notice.	×	×	×	×	×	×	×
8. Total number of resolutions for ballot ..	84	34	20	2	×	3	25
9. Number of ballots held ..	Six.						
10. Dates on which ballots held ..	20th and 27th February, 1970, 5th, 13th, 20th and 30th March, 1970.						
11. Dates on which business other than Government business was transacted ..	26th February, 1970, 5th, 12th and 19th March, 1970.						

III. NON-OFFICIAL RESOLUTIONS (MOVED)

1. The following Resolution was moved on the 19th January, 1970, by Chaudhri Balbir Singh, M.L.A. by suspending rules 30(3) and 193 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly :—

> "That this House recommends unanimously to the State Government that the Central Government be approached with a request that Chandigarh and other Punjabi Speaking areas be transferred immediately to Punjab and that the Administration of Bhakra Board be resorted as it existed in 1966 and that Punjab Government should not enter into any bargain or make any compromise in this connection."

The resolution was carried unanimously and without any discussion.

2. On the 26th February, 1970, Comrade Kulwant Singh, M.L.A. moved that—

> "This House recommends to the Government to approach the Government of India to so amend the Constitution of India as to exclude the right to property as a Fundamental Right."

The Chief Minister and the Leader of Opposition raised objection to the admissibility of this resolution but the hon. Speaker held that it was admissible.

Two amendments to this resolution were moved.

This resolution was discussed on the 26th February, 5th and 12th March,1970 and thus remained before the House for five hours and twenty-seven minutes. Eight Members from the Treasury Benches including the Minister for Local Government, three Members from C.P.I. including Com. Kulwant Singh, seven Members from Congress, including S. Umrao Singh, three Members from C.P.I. (M), one Member from P.S.P., two Members from S.S.P., and one Member from the Swatantra Party participated in, the debate for 84 minutes, 65 minutes, 99 minutes, 21 minutes, 5 minutes, 25 minutes, 25 minutes and 3 minutes respectively.

Note.—On a suggestion and after taking the sense of the House, the Speaker decided to adjourn the House on the 26th March, 1970 before the busniess fixed for that day could be taken up. Hence the Ballot held for this day could not be utilized.

(ii) The House was adjourned *sine die* on the 30th March, 1970, therefore, the ballot held for the 2nd April, 1970, could not also be utilized.

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The resolution was put to vote of the House and lost.

3. On the 19th March, 1970, Sardar Basant Singh (Dakala) moved the following Resolution that—

> "This House recommends to the Government to raise suitable Memorial/ Memorials to perpetuate the memory of the late Sardar Darshan Singh Pheruman who, after a heroic struggle with life lasting not less than 74 days, laid down his precious life for securing Chandigarh for Punjab."

This resolution was discussed on the 19th March, 1970 and thus remained before the House for 2 hours and two minutes. Seven Members from Treasury Benches, four Members from Congress, one Member from S.S.P., one Member from C.P.I. (M), one Member from C.P.I. and one Member from P.S.P. participated in the debate for 40 minutes, 31 minutes, 27 minutes, 7 minutes, 5 minutes and 10 minutes, respectively.

Two amendments were moved.

Sardar Pritam Singh Samana, a Member from the Treasury Benches, who had spoken for 2 minutes, was still on his legs when the House rose for the day.

The resolution lapsed on prorogation.

CENSURE MOTIONS

Two Notices of censure motions were received. One was given notice of by Sardar Umrao Singh on the 23rd February, 1970, and through this he sought to disapprove the conduct of Chief Minister and other members of the Council of Ministers of Punjab Government for their refusal to attend, to take salute and to unfurl the National Flag at the recent Republic Day parades, etc. This censure motion stood lapsed on the prorogation of the House on the 10th April, 1970. The other was given notice of by Sarvshri Sarup Singh, Ram Singh and Santokh Singh on the 3rd March, 1970 to disapprove the conduct of Jathedar Jiwan Singh Umranangal, Minister of State, for not resigning from the Council of Ministers on the abolition of the Punjab Legislative Council. This was ruled out of order on the 11th March, 1970, on the ground that it was constitutional right of Sardar Jiwan Singh Umranangal to stay as Minister for six months.

NO-CONFIDENCE MOTIONS

Three notices of no-confidence motions were received. Two given notice of by (1) Comrade Satya Pal Dang and (2) Sarvshri Umrao Singh, Santokh Singh, Sarup Singh and Jagat Ram on the 11th March, 1970, through which they sought to express lack of confidence of the House in the Minister, S. Jiwan Singh Umranangal were rendered infructuous on the 12th March, 1970, on the adoption of motion moved by the Chief Minister for the suspension of a part of rule 65 in its application to Jathedar Jiwan Singh Umranangal. The third no-confidence motion given notice of by Sardar Umrao Singh on the 30th March, 1970, sought to express lack of confidence of the House in the Council of Ministers as a whole. Leave to move this motion was granted by the House. Later in the day, it was by leave of the House, withdrawn the same day by the mover.

RESOLUTION FOR THE REMOVAL OF SPEAKER

Three notices of resolutions for the removal of the Speaker were received on the 30th March, 1970, from (1) Sarvshri Atma Singh and Rattan Singh (2) Umrao Singh, Kapur Singh and Satya Pal Dang and (3) Santokh Singh, Ram Singh and Kewal Krishan. These notices were not taken up on that day as these were deemed to have been received on the next day under rule 74. The House adjourned *sine die* the same day and was subsequently prorogued on the 10th April, 1970, when these notices stood lapsed.

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PAPERS PRESENTED/LAID

The following papers were presented to/laid/re-laid before the Sabha.

Serial No.	By whom presented/ laid	Date on which presented/laid	Subject
1.	Speaker ..	19th January, 1970	Governor's Address under Rule 18 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly.
2.	Secretary ..	19th January, 1970	Statement showing the Bills which were passed by the Punjab State Legislature during its Autumn Session, 1969, and which have since been assented to by the President of India/Governor.
3.	Chief Minister ..	19th January, 1970	The Constitution (Twenty-Third Amendment) Bill, 1969, as passed by the Houses of Parliament.
4.	Industries Minister ..	23rd February, 1970	The Audit Report on the accounts of the Punjab Financial Corporation for the year ended 31st of March, 1968, as required under section 37(7) of the State Financial Corporation Act, 1951.
5.	Finance Minister ..	27th February, 1970	The Supplementary Estimates (Second Instalment) for the year 1969-70.
6.	Finance Minister ..	4th March, 1970 ..	The Budget for the year 1970-71.
7.	Chief Minister ..	9th March, 1970 ..	The Annual Report on the working of the Punjab Public Service Commission for the year 1967-68 as presented to the Governor, together with the Memorandum explaining the reasons for the non-acceptance of the advice of the Commission, as required under Article 323(2) of the Constitution.
8.	Chief Minister ..	10th March, 1970 ..	Re-laying of the amendments (two Notifications) made by the Governor in the Punjab Public Service Commission (Limitation of Functions) Regulations, 1955, as required under Article 320 (5) of the Constitution
9.	Finance Minister ..	25th March, 1970	The Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1968-69 and Audit Report, 1970.
10.	Finance Minister ..	25th March, 1970 ..	The Finance Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1969-70.
11.	Finance Minister ..	25th March, 1970	The Annual Financial Statement (Budget Estimates) for the year, 1970-71 of the Punjab State Electricity Board, as required under section 61(3) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.
12.	Finance Minister ..	25th March, 1970	The Annual Statement of Accounts of the Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 1968-69 and the Audit Report thereon as required under section 69(1) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.

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FINANCIAL COMMITTEES

Serial No.	By whom presented/ laid	Date on which presented laid	Subject
1.	Chairman, Public Accounts Committee	24th February, 1970	Report of the Public Accounts Committee (Twenty-Sixth Report) on the Appropriation Accounts of the Punjab Government for the years 1964-65 and 1965-66 and the Audit Reports, 1966 and 1967.
2.	Ditto	.. 25th March, 1970 ..	Report of the Public Accounts Committee (Twenty-Seventh Report) on the Appropriation Accounts of the Punjab Government for the years 1964-65 and 1965-66 and the Audit Reports, 1966 and 1967.
3.	Ditto	25th March, 1970 ..	Report of the Public Accounts Committee (Twenty-Eighth Report) on the Appropriation Accounts of the Punjab Government for the years 1966-67 and 1967-68 and the Audit Reports, 1968 and 1969.
4.	Chairman, Estimates Committee	27th February, 1970 ..	Report of the Estimates Committee on the Supplementary Estimates 1969-70 (Second Instalment).
5.	Ditto	.. 25th March, 1970 ..	Report of the Estimates Committee on the Budget Estimates for the year 1969-70.

BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

1.	Speaker	.. 19th January, 1970	First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
2.	Speaker	.. 24th February, 1970	second Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
3.	Speaker	.. 11th March, 1970 ..	Third Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
4.	Speaker	.. 19th March, 1970 (Afternoon Sitting)	Fourth Report of the Business Advisory Committee.

PRIVILEGES COMMITTEE

1.	Chairman of the Privileges Committee	19th January, 1970	Second Preliminary Report of the Committee of Privileges regarding the threatening behaviour of Sardar Harbhagwan Singh, Ex-M.L.A. towards Sardar Trilochan Singh Riyasti, M.L.A. in the precincts of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.
2.	Ditto	.. 20th March, 1970	Third Preliminary Report of the Committee of Privileges regarding the threatening behaviour of Sardar Harbhagwan Singh, Ex-M.L.A. towards Sardar Trilochan Singh Riyasti, M.L.A. in the precincts of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.
3.	Ditto	.. 20th March, 1970 ..	Preliminary Report of the Committee of Privileges relating to a news item published in the Daily 'Hind Samachar', dated the 23rd February, 1970, mentioning certain information regarding Report of the Committee of Estimates.

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Serial No.	By whom presented	Date on which presented	Subject
		RULES COMMITTEE	
1.	Speaker ..	19th March, 1970 (Morning Sitting)	First Report of the Rules Committee
		***AD-HOC* COMMITTEE**	
1.	Chairman of the *Aa-hoc* Committee	25th March, 1970 ..	Report of the *Ad-hoc* Committee appointed to enquire into the matter relating to the entry of police/outsiders in the House on the 18th March, 1968.
		COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ASSURANCES	
1.	The Chairman, Committee on Government Assurances	25th March, 1970 ..	The Thirteenth Report of the Committee on Government Assurances (1969-70).

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ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

Notices of 13 Adjournment Motions were received on different dates from different Members. All of them were disallowed. The following, however, were mentioned in the House

Serial No.	Date of Motion	Date when taken up	Member(s) giving notice	Subject matter	Decision
1.	19th January, 1970	19th January, 1970	S. Kirpal Singh ..	Regarding the proposed self-immolation of Sant Fateh Singh	Was converted into a Call Attention Notice with the concurrence of the hon. Member concerned.
2.	Ditto	Ditto	Ch. Balbir Singh ..	Regarding the deployment of Border Security Force in Punjab	Ditto
3.	Ditto	Ditto	Dr. Kewal Krishan	Regarding the proposed self-immolation of Sant Fateh Singh	Was converted into a Call Attention Notice with the concurrence of the hon. Member concerned.
4.	25th February, 1970	26th February, 1970	Sarvshri Gian Chand Kharbanda, Kewal Krishan and Sarup Singh	Regarding "Government's failure to take action against those responsible for removing the National Flags and dishonouring the statue of Mahatma Gandhi"	The Speaker refused his consent to it on the grounds that (1) an Adjournment Motion could not be admitted during the Budget Session and (2) conduct of the Ministry could not be discussed through such a Motion.
5.	2nd March, 1970 ..	2nd March, 1970 ..	Com. Babu Singh Master	Regarding "the re-constitution of Capital Advisory Committee by the Chandigarh Administration"	Ruled out of order.

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2. QUESTIONS OF PRIVILEGE

Serial No.	Date	Member(s) giving notice	Subject-matter	Remarks
1.	23rd February, 1970	Sardar Umrao Singh ..	Ragarding 'the news item appearing 'The Daily Hind Samachar, Jullundur' publishing certain particulars about the Report of the Estimates Committee before its presentation to the House.'	After the leave of the House to raise the question of privilege by the Member concerned was granted, the matter was referred to the Committee of Privileges by the Speaker. Thereafter, the Member sought the permission of the Chair to withdraw his motion but this permission was refused. The matter stood referred to the Committee of Privileges.
2.	23rd February, 1970	Ch. Balbir Singh, Sathi Roop Lal	Regarding "Acceptance by the State Government the decision of Central Government whereby a large area of Fazilka and Abohar had been taken away in lieu of Chandigarh".	The Speaker refused his consent to the question being raised.
3.	26th February, 1970	Sardar Umrao Singh ..	S. Shashpal Singh a member of the Panel of Chairmen, by adjourning the House at 1-30 P.M. in contravention of the decision of the hon. Speaker announced ear r, had affected the privileges of the Members of the House.	The Speaker refuse his consent to the question being raised by the Member concerned. He held that the Chairman, when in the Chair performs the duties of presiding Officer. Besides, the House was adjournrned after taking its sense.
4.	3rd March, 1970 ..	Com. Babu Singh (Master)	Regarding "The continued absence from the Budget Session of the Vidhan Sabha of Sardar Jiwan Singh Umranangal, a Minister of the Punjab Government".	The Speaker refused his consent to the question being raised by the Member concerned on the ground that there was no rule according to which he could enforce the presence of any particular Minister in the House.
4(a)	5th March, 1970 ..	Ch. Balbir Singh ..	Non-supply to the Members of copies of the Budget Speech in Hindi and English by the Government.	The Speaker observed that the matter did not involve a question of privilege ; he would, however, request to the Government to supply the copies of Budget Speech in Hindi and English to the Members, who asked for it.

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Serial No.	Date	Member(s) giving notice	Subject-matter	Remarks
5.	9th March, 1970 ..	Ch. Balbir Singh ..	Regarding "the reported policy statement on the proposed new taxation measures made by the Chief Minister outside the House when the Sabha was in Session".	The Speaker refused his consent to the question of privilege being raised by the Member concerned. The Speaker observed that no breach of privilege was involved if a statement on a matter of public interest was not made in the House. He, however, requested that keeping in view the established convention and propriety, the Ministers should make such statements in the House when the Sabha is in Session.
6.	9th March, 1970	S. Umrao Singh ..	Ditto	Ditto
7.	9th March, 1970 ..	Com. Satya Pal Dang, Com. Dana Ram, Ch. Balbir Singh	Regarding "the reported decision of the Cabinet in favour of auction of evacuee land to Harijans in violation of the assurance and commitment made by the Chief Minister on the floor of the House during the course of discussion on the Governor's Address that he would call a meeting of all Harijan M.L.As. and Leaders of different Groups in the Assembly to discuss the question as to whether the evacuee land should be given to Harijans through allotment at reserve price or through auction restricted to Harijans".	The Speaker did not give his consent to the question of privilege being raised on the ground that breach of assurance could not be made the basis of a Privilege motion. Besides, the Speaker held that *prima facie*, it involved the conduct of Ministry for the discussion of which specific remedies were available.
8.	12th March, 1970	Ch. Ram Singh, Sardar Sarup Singh, Ch. Tulsi Ram Chauhan, M.L.A.	Regarding "the discriminatory treatment by the Government in supplying copies of the outline of the Draft Fourth Five Year Plan to some of the Members and not all the Members".	The Speaker refused his consent to the question being raised. He observed that it had been ascertained from the Government Department concerned that copies of the documents referred to in the notice had been supplied to all the M.L.As. If, however, any hon. Member had not received it, he might get another copy from the Department concerned.

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9.	16th March, 1970 ..	Sathi Roop Lal and Com. Dana Ram	Regarding "the editorial comments by Shri Ramesh Chander, Editor, in 'The Daily Hind Samachar, Jullundur', dated 14th March, 1970 on a supplementary question asked by Com. Satya Pal Dang, M.L.A., in relation to reply to Starred Question No. 1492 laid on the Table of the House on the 11th March, 1970" .	The Speaker observed that it was definitely a breach of privilege of the House and could be referred to the Committee of Privileges. He, however, reserved his ruling till a reply was received from the Chairman, Press Gallery Committee, to whom the matter was referred.
10.	19th March, 1970 (Morning Sitting)	Chaudhri Balbir Singh	Regarding "a news-item appearing in the Newspapers relating to the issuance of a notification by the Punjab Government withdrawing the colleges situated in four districts from the jurisdiction of the Punjab University and placing them under the jurisdiction of Guru Nanak University without bringing the matter to the notice of the Vidhan Sabha when in Session".	The Speaker refused his consent to the question of privilege being raised. He observed that the State Government by issuing the notification, referred to in the notice, did not do anything which could be regarded as involving a question to privilege. The Government had simply exercised the powers delegated to it by an Act of the State Legislature.
11.	30th March, 1970	Sardar Bachan Singh Pakho.	Regarding "alleged assault by some Members and outsiders on Sardar Umrao Sing h in the Chamber of the Vidhan Sabha immediately after the adjournment of the House on the 26th March, 1970."	Referred to the Committee of Privilege.

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OTHER MOTIONS

Serial No.	Minister/Member Moving	Moved on	Discussed on	Subject-matter	Decision/Remarks
1.	Chief Parliamentary Secretary	19th January, 1970	19th January, 1970	Agreement with the recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee	Carried
2.	Sardar Jasdev Sing h Sandhu, M.L.A.	19th January, 1970	19th January, 1970	Motion for the extension of time up to 31st March, 1970 for presenting the Report of the Committee of Privilege regarding the threatening behaviour of Sardar Harbhagwan Singh, Ex-M.L.A. towards Sardar Trilochan Singh Riyasti, M.L.A. in the precincts of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha	Carried
3.	Minister for Food and Supplies	24th February, 1970	24th February, 1970	Agreement with the recommendations contained in the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee	Carried
4.	Industries Minister ..	11th March, 1970	11th March, 1970 ..	Agreement with the recommendations contained in the Third Report of the Business Advisory Committee	Carried
5.	Industries Minister ..	19th March, 1970 (Afternoon Sitting)	19th March, 1970	Agreement with the recommendations contained in the Fourth Report of the Business Advisory Committee	Carried
6.	Sardar Jasdev Singh Sandhu	20th March, 1970	20th March, 1970 ..	Motion for the extension of time up to the 30th September, 1970 for presenting the Report of the Committee of Privileges regarding the threatening behaviour of Sardar Harbhagwan Singh, Ex-M.L.A., towards Sardar Trilochan Singh Riyasti, M.L.A. in the precincts of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha	Carried
7.	S. Jasdev Singh Sandhu	20th March, 1970	20th March, 1970 ..	Motion regarding the extension of time up to the 30th September. 1970 for presenting the Report of the Committee of Privileges relating to a news-item published in the daily 'Hind Samachar', dated the 23rd February, 1970, mentioning certain information regarding Report of the Committee of Estimates	Carried

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8.	Chief Minister	.. 30th March, 1970	30th March, 1970	Motion under rule 15 for expending the proceedings on the items of business for the day from the provisions of the Rule 'Sitting of the Assembly' indefinitely	Carried
9.	Chief Minister	.. 30th March, 1970	30th March, 1970	Motion under rule 121 regarding the suspension of rule 172 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly	Carried
10.	Chief Minister	.. 30th March, 1970	30th March, 1970	Motion regarding the Adjournment of the House *sin die*	Carried

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CALLING ATTENTION NOTICES UNDER RULE 73

In all 207 notices calling attention to matter of urgent public importance were received. Out of these 104 notices were admitted as detailed below in the serial order in which they were received. The rest were disallowed by the Hon'ble Speaker in his Chamber on one ground or the other. Besides Adjournment Motions Nos. 1,2 and 3 were converted into Call Attention Notices, —*vide* serial Nos. 1,2 and 3, detailed below :—

Serial No.	Call Attention Notice No.	Member/Members Calling Attention	Date	Subject-matter	REMARKS
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	1	(Adjournment Motion converted into Call Attention Motion) Sardar Kirpal Singh	19-1-70	Regarding the proposed self-immolation of Sant Fateh Singh	Reply received from the Government on 16th February, 1970 and sent to the Member concerned on 23rd February, 1970
2	2	(Adjournment Motion converted into Call Attention Motion) Ch. Balbir Singh	19-1-70	The deployment of Border Security Force in Punjab	The Chief Minister made a Statement in the House on 19th January, 1970
3	3	(Adjournment Motion converted into Call Attention Motion) Dr. Kewal Krishan	19-1-70	Regarding the proposed self-immolation of Sant Fateh Singh	Convered by the reply received in connection with Adjournment Motion No. 1
4	2	Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal	19-1-70	The unbearable rise in the price of Food-grain	The Food and Supplies Minister made a statement in the House on 19th January, 1970
5	4	Ch. Kewal Krishan	19-1-70	Acute shortage of water in Shah Nahar irrigating lands in Mukerian and Dasuya Blocks	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 23rd February, 1970
6	5	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	19-1-70	The recent death of 15 persons in Mansa as a result of food poisoning	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 25th February, 1970
7	6	Ditto	19-1-70	The failure of the Government to revise the minimum wages in the Textile Industry and to link the same with the cost of living index	The Finance Minister made a statement in the House on 19th January, 1970

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8	7	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	19-1-70	The repressive measures adopted by the police authorities against the peaceful teachers sitting Dharna (in January, 1970) before Ludhiana residence of the Chief Minister	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table on 23rd February, 1970
9	9	Sardar Raja Singh	19-1-70	The corrupt practices of certain police officers of Ropar District	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table on 27th February, 1970
10	12	Sardar Gurbanta Singh	23-2-70	The Non-payment so far of the stipends for the years 1968-69 and 1969-70 to the students belonging to Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 5th March, 1970
11	14	Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda	23-2-70	The failure of the Government to take action against the persons responsible for insulting and burning the National Flags on 26th and 28th January at Amritsar	Ditto
12	17	Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal	23-2-70	The agitation of the teachers of Government Schools	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 2nd Marh, 1970
13	18	Comrades Babu Singh Master and Satya Pal Dang	23-2-70	The reported proposal to auction surplus evacuee lands	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 25th March, 1970
14	19	Comrades Kulwant Singh, Satya Pal Dang, Babu Singh and Dana Ram	23-2-70	The incidents of grabing of Government land in urban areas by declaring it a gurdwara or a mandir at various places in the State	The Irrigation and Power Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 17th March, 1970
15	20	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	23-2-70	The falilure of the Government to intervene and to get settled nearly 100 days' old strike of more than 3,000 workers of the Jagatjit Cotton Textile Mills Ltd., Phagwara	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 5th March, 1970
16	16	Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal	24-2-70	Regarding decision of the Cabinet Sub-Committee to give Banjar Land on auction which has caused fear among the Harijan Tenants	The Chief Minister made Statement in the House on 24th February, 1970
17	21	Ch. Kewal Krishan	24-2-70	The recent incidents at various places in the State, as a result of which the Hindus, who are in Minority in the State, have begun to feel insecure	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 13th March, 1970

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Serial No.	Call Attention Notice No.	Member/Members Calling Attention	Date	Subject-matter	REMARKS
1	2	3	4	5	6
18	22	Sardar Kirpal Singh	24-2-70	The awkward position created by the contradictory statements made by the Ministers belonging to the two parties in the Government on the decision given by the Central Government on Chandigarh and Punjabi-speaking areas	Statement not received
19	26	Vaid Kartar Singh	24-2-70	Transfer of Shri Des Raj, Sub-Inspector, Police from Rohtak to Gurdaspur	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 5th March, 1970
20	28	Sathi Roop Lal	24-2-70	The dharna resorted to by the employees of Municipalities of Punjab	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statemet on the Table on 12th March, 1970
21	29	Sarvshri Tulsi Ram Chauhan, Gian Chand Kharbanda, Sadhu Ram and Sardari Lal Kapur	24-2-70	Maintenance of *status quo* of the position of land under dispute between the Akalis and the Mandir Committee at Kapurthala	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 5th March 1970
22	37	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	24-2-70	The discontentment prevailing among the Municipal Employees of the State due to the failure of the Government to implement in full the report of the Pay Committee	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 12th March,. 1970
23	39	Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi	24-2-70	The criminal assault on two Harijan women in village Talwandi, tehsil Samana	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 5th March, 1970
24	42	Sardar Beant Singh	24-2-70	The failure of the Government in issuing order for the removal of a number of anomalies in the case of equated employees in 'A' Class Offices	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 27t h February, 1970

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25	23	Sardar Kirpal Singh	..	25-2-70	The agitation launched by teachers in the State in support of their demands	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 2nd March, 1970
26	38	Ch. Kewal Krishen	..	25-2-70	Setting up a check barrier at Talwara for sales tax purposes	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 5th March, 1970
27	43	Comrades Satya Pal Dang and Babu Singh		25-2-70	The attitude of open aid and abetment adopted by the Government in favour of the management of Oswal Spinning and Weaving Mills, Ludhiana	The Irrigation and Power Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 17th March, 1970
28	44	Sardar Kulwant Singh	..	25-2-70	The innumerable difficulties being faced by sugarcane growers in the supply of sugar cane to the Sugar Mills	Statement not received
29	45	Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal	..	25-2-70	Damage caused to crops as a result of closure of canals in Amritsar District	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 5th March, 1970
30	47	Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda	..	25-2-70	Unnecessary delay caused in giving sanction by the Education Department to the filling of posts by the recognised private schools in the State	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 12th March, 1970
31	49	Shri Gurdial Saini	..	25-2-70	The failure of the Government to construct by-pass to Ramdas Kot and way from Power House, Punjab State Electricity Board to Mohalla Bashirpura in Jullundur	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 5th March 1970
32	50	Ch. Balbir Singh	..	25-2-70	The deplorable state of affairs in the Civil Hospital, Hoshiarpur	Ditto
33	25	Sardar Kirpal Singh	..	26-2-70	The inconvenience caused to the relatives of the indoor patients of V.J. Hospital and other allied Hospitals at Amritsar due to non-provision of residential accommodation for them	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 2nd March, 1970
34	51	Comrades Babu Singh and Satya Pal Dang		26-2-70	The failure of the Government in removing the disparity of sales tax on cotton yarn in different districts	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 12th March, 1970

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35	55	Ch. Balbir Singh ..	26-2-70	The pollution of water in Gokal Nagar, Hoshiarpur rendering it not worth drinking	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 5th March 1970
36	54	Shri Gurdial Saini ..	27-2-70	The failure of the Government to take up the scheme for construction of roads, drainage etc. through Improvement Trust, Jullundur	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 13th March, 1970
37	57	Comrades Satya Pal Dang, Kulwant Singh, Dana Ram and Babu Singh	27-2-70	Rendering Labour Courts infructuous through a decision of the Punjab High Court	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 25th March, 1970
38	59	Sarvshri Ravi Inder Singh, Narinder Singh, Pritam Singh Samana, Sant Singh, Jasdev Singh Sandhu, Bawa Harnam Singh and Parshotam Singh	27-2-70	Non-absorption of the staff of the Punjab Vidhan Parishad which has been abolished	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 12th March, 1970
39	60	Ch. Kewal Krishen ..	27-2-70	Using of a building purchased by the Government for the Science Block of the Government Girls Higher Secondary, School, Ropar	Ditto
40	63	Ch. Balbir Singh ..	27-2-70	The failure of the Daulat Industries, Ludhiana in depositing the amount of bonus and E.S.I. in accordance with the statutory provisions	The Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 16th March, 1970
41	65	Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda ..	2-3-70	The failure of the Government in removing the genuine difficulties of the traders in the State	Ditto
42	66	Dr. Amir Singh ..	2-3-70	The failure of the Government in expediting the construction of the building of Government Higher Secondary School, Tanda Urmar	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 12th March, 1970

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43	68	Comrade Kulwant Singh	2-3-70 The difficulties being experienced in the irrigation of crops through tubewels due to frequent failure of electricity in district Jullundur	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a statement on the Table on 12th March, 1970
44	69	Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal and Jathedar Hardit Singh Bhathal	2-3-70 The failure of the Government in accepting the demand of the teachers in the State	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 13th March, 1970
45	71	Sardar Kirpal Singh	2-3-70 The difficulties being experienced in securing admissions in the Schools at Amritsar	Ditto
46	73	Sardar Mehtab Singh	2-3-70 The wrong selection of site for the purpose of building a memorial of Sardar Sham Singh Attariwala	Copies of the Statement were received on 20th April, 1970 and sent to Members on 4th May, 1970
47	72	Shri Gurdial Saini	2-3-70 Providing residential plots to Harijans in urban area	Not taken up as the Member was not present in the House
48	70	Sardar Kirpal Singh	3-3-70 The flagrant misuse of loud speakers at Amritsar in violation of provisions of law	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 12th March, 1970
49	74	Sarvshri Gian Chand Kharbanda and Umrao Singh	3-3-70 The leakage of English Paper of 8th Class before time and its sale one day earlier to the students	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 13th March, 1970
50	78	Ch. Balbir Singh	3-3-70 The high-handedness prevalent in the Industries Department in the matter of advancing loan, etc.. in the State	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 12th March, 1970
51	76	Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal	5-3-70 The failure of the Government in the fixation of minimum wages, etc., for brick-kilns workers	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 13th March, 1970
52	80	Capt. Rattan Singh and Dr. Sadhu Ram	5-3-70 The harassment of the wife of Dr. Sadhu Ram, M.L.A. by the police during its raid in village Madhopur, tehsil Phagwara	Ditto
53	81	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	5-3-70 An attack on the Mill workers by the hired goondas with the connivance of the police at the instance of the management of Oswal Spinning Mills, Ludhiana	The Irrigation and Power Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 17th March, 1970

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54	82	Comrade Babu Singh Master ..	5-3-70	The discontentment amongst the inhabitants of the Punjab at the recently constituted Advisory Committee for Chandigarh	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 12th March, 1970
55	84	Vaid Kartar Singh ..	5-3-70	The promotion of non-Harijans employees as Shop-Inspectors in the Labour Department infringing the rights of the Harijans	The Industries Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 13th March, 1970
56	91	Dr. Kewal Krishen ..	5-3-70	The stoppage of the construction of a plan road from Talwara to Mubarakpur in Talwara Block after the Central Government's decision on Chandigarh	Copies of the Statement were received on 8th May, 1970 and sent to Members on 13th May, 1970
57	93	Sardar Pritam Singh, S. Narinder Singh	5-3-70	Damage likely to be caused to crops as a result of the construction of a bund on river Ghaggar by the Haryana Government	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 12th March, 1970
58	94	Comrades Babu Singh and Kulwant Singh	5-3-70	The long delay on the part of the Government in implementing the promise to make Phul, a Sub-Division and Jaitu, Budhlada and Talwandi Sabo as Sub-Tehsils in district Bhatinda	The Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 16th March, 1970
59	89	Comrade Darshan Singh and Jathedar Hardit Singh Bhathal	9-3-70	Acute shortage of irrigational water in a large number of villages in tehsil Patti, district Amritsar	Copies of the Statement were received on 25th March, 1970 and sent to Members on 31st March, 1970
60	101	Comrades Kulwant Singh, Babu Singh, Satya Pal Dang and Dana Ram	9-3-70	The demolition of certain building at Anandpur Sahib without providing alternative accommodation to the affected people	Statement not received

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61	103	Dr. Kewal Krishen ..	9-3-70	The delay in the payment of salaries to staff of private Schools in the State due to inordinate delay in the release of grants by the Government	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 25th March, 1970
62	108	Sardar Mehtab Singh Dhillon ..	9-3-70	Selling of land at lower rate by the Gram Panchayat Zira to its own men and not on auction	Not taken up as the Member was not present in the House
63	110	Shri Gurdial Saini ..	9-3-70	The reported attack on a bride by drunken goondas in Mohalla Mai Hiran Gate, Jullundur	The Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 16th March, 1970
64	119	Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal ..	10-3-70	The criminal assault on a minor Harijan girl by goondas at village Attar Singh Wala	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 25th March, 1970
65	113	Sardar Santokh Singh Randhawa	10-3-70	Declaring hundreds matriculates as qualified Medical practitioners	Not taken up as the Member was not present in the House
66	117	Comrade Babu Singh Master ..	11-3-70	The failure of the Government in taking action against Sardar Santokh Singh, Executive Engineer, Bhatinda, regarding the treatment meted out by him to the public and his subordinates	Statement not received
67	121	Dr. Kewal Krishen ..	11-3-70	The non-appointment of adequate number of teachers in view of the increasing strength of students in the privately-managed recognised schools	Copies of the Statement were received on 30th March, 1970 and were sent to Members on 31st March, 1970
68	125	Sardar Kirpal Singh ..	11-3-70	The continued mid-term transfers, of the Government school teachers etc.	The Irrigation and Power Minister laid a Statement on the Table on 17th March, 1970
69	128	Sardar Kirpal Singh ..	12-3-70	The non-appointment of an authority for the allotment of evacuee houses and plots in cities and towns in the State	Statement not received
70	130	Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi ..	12-3-70	The use of unfair means by the examines with the assistance of the teachers and in connivance were the Superintendents in the Middle School examination this year	Ditto
71	134	Ch. Satya Dev ..	12-3-70	The great damage caused to crops in Abohar Division due to acute shortage of water	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 25th March, 1970

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72	131	Comrade Satya Pal Dang and Shri Gurdial Saini	12-3-70	Application of Punjab Industrial Tribunal Award of 1966 in respect of confirmation of work-charged staff working in various Departments	Not taken up as the Members were not present in the House
73	132	Shri Gurdial Saini	12-3-70	Regarding the supply of pig iron, steel sheets and iron rod to small-scale industrial units at Jullundur	Not taken up as the member was not present in the House
74	79	Ch. Balbir Singh ..	13-3-70	The complications created by the decision given recently by the Sales tax Tribunal	Statement not received
75	137	Shri Sardari Lal Kapur ..	13-3-70	Dispossessing Harijans of land in Village Ghamnewal, district Ludhiana, with the help of Police	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 25th March, 1970
76	138	Comrades Babu Singh and Satya Pal Dang ..	13-3-70	Revision of pay-scales of S.D.Os. of all categories and raising their status to Class I, etc.	The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid a Statement on the Table on 18th March, 1970
77	139	Comrades Satya Pal Dang and Babu Singh	13-3-70	Stoppage of supply of sullage water to Harijans of village Khatra, district Ludhiana	Statement not received
78	140	Vaid Kartar Singh ..	13-3-70	Murder of Khushhal Singh by the Naxalbaries in Thana Rahon, district Ludhiana	Copies of the Statement were received on 16th April, 1970 and sent to Members
79	136	H. H. Nawab Iftikhar Ali Khan ..	16-3-70	Grave losses to the public through alleged misappropriation of funds through serious irregularities in the Jandiali Co-operative Rural Bank in Mandi Ahmadgarh Block Samiti	Statement not received
80	144	Sarvshri Gian Chand Kharbanda and Kewal Krishen	16-3-70	Abnormal rise in the prices of raw material used for Engineering Industry	Ditto

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81	145	Comrades Satya Pal Dang and Babu Singh Master	16-3-70	The misbehaviour of the Police at Phagwara towards a prominent Istri Sabha worker of Phagwara	Copies of the Statement were received on 30th March, 1970 and sent to Members on 31st March, 1970
82	146	Ditto ...	16-3-70	The failure of the Government in implementing the unanimous report of Municipal Pay Committee in its entirety	Statement not received
83	148	Sardar Gurdev Singh Badal ...	16-3-70	Forcible ejection of Harijans from the land in village Chak Sarkar Majiwala, tehsil Fazilka, district Ferozepur	Not taken up as the Member was not present in the House
84	150	Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda ...	17-3-70	The extension to the period of the exhibition of a drama "Jag Chanan Hoya" being exhibited by the Film Division of India	Statement not received
85	151	Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal ...	17-3-70	Great resentment prevailing amongst the public due to the dangerous and dilapidated condition of the buildings of a large number of Government Schools in the State	Ditto
86	153	Comrades Satya Pal Dang and Babu Singh Master	18-3-70	The non-availability of Vanaspati-Ghee in various parts of the State	The Finance Minister made a Statement in the House on 18th March, 1970
87	154	Ditto ...	18-3-70	The failure of the Government in getting the Punjab Industrial Tribunal Award of 1966 implemented	Copies of the Statement were received on 25th March, 1970 and sent to Members on 31st March, 1970
88	157	Shri Gurdial Saini ...	18-3-70	The failure of the Government to order the Privately managed Aided Schools to give the revised Pay Scales to their non-teaching staff with effect from 1st February, 1968	Copies of the Statement were received on 30th March, 1970 and sent to Members on 31st March, 1970
89	161	Sardar Darshan Singh K.P. ...	18-3-70	The murderous assault made by Akali Jats on a Harijan of village Dhanal, tehsil and district Jullundur	Statement not received
90	163	Sardar Beant Singh ...	18-3-70	The charging of Kacha route fare by the Transport Companies plying vehicles on Payal-Ahmadgarh route when a pacca road was constructed between these two places three years back	Ditto
91	100	Ch. Balbir Singh ...	19-3-70	The irregularities and misappropriations committed in The Industries Department in Jullundur District	Copies of the Statement were received on 23rd April, 1970 and sent to Members on 4th May, 1970

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92	167	Comrades Satya Pal Dang and Kulwant Singh	19-3-70	The attack made on the Office of the Jagatjit Kapra Mill Mazdoor Union by the goondas hired by the management	Copies of the Statement were received on 30th March, 1970 and sent to Members on 31st March, 1970
93	169	Bhagat Guran Dass Hans ..	19-3-70	The allotment of land to families of those service men of Hoshiarpur District who were killed in the War	Statement not received
94	171	Ch. Kewal Krishan ..	19-3-70	The declaration by the Government affiliating all the 46 colleges in Jullundur, Amritsar, Kapurthala and Gurdaspur Districts to the Guru Nanak University from June, 1970	Ditto
95	168	Shri Gian Chand ..	19-3-70	A shameful and painful incident in village Attar Singh Wala, Police Station Dhanaula, tehsil Barnala, district Sangrur	The Chief Minister made a Statement in the House on 19th March, 1970
96	158	Comrades Satya Pal Dang and Kulwant Singh	20-3-70	The failure of M/s. Hindustan Embroidery Mill Private Ltd., Chheharta to deposit the amount of P.F. and E.S.I. contribution	Statement not received
97	159	Comrade Babu Singh, Satya Pal Dang and Dana Ram	19-3-70	The refusal of the Government to give recognition to the Punjab Subordinate Services Federation, Chandigarh	Ditto
98	175	Dr. Amir Singh ..	20-3-70	The total lack of developmental activity in Tanda Constituency of the Punjab State	Ditto
99	176	Sarvshri Gian Chand Kharbanda and Sardari Lal Kapur	20-3-70	The decision of the Punjab Government to recommend fixation for price of wheat from Rs 80 to Rs 90 per maund in the meeting of the Chief Ministers and Food Ministers	Copies of the Statement were received on 10th April, 1970 and sent to Members on 4th May, 1970

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100	187	Comrade Satya Pal Dang ..	25-3-70	The situation arising out of the non-payment of various compensatory allowances by the Government to Block Samitis	Statement not received
101	191	Ch. Balbir Singh ..	25-3-70	The failure of the Government to bring the scales of the pay of the employees of Jail Department at par with those of the employees in the Police Department	Ditto
102	193	Comrade Satya Pal Dang ..	25-3-70	The blocking of the houses of several Harijan families of village Shahidgarh (near Bassi Pathanan in Patiala District) under order of the village Sarpanch	Copies of the Statement were received on 7th May, 1970 and sent to Members on 13th May, 1970
103	192	Sardar Kirpal Singh ..	30-3-70	Allotment of Panchayat land by the Sarpanch and Secretary of the Panchayat of Zira, district Ferozepur	Statement not received
104	195	Comrade Satya Pal Dang ..	30-3-70	The refusal of Government to sanction a resolution of Municipal Committee Bhatinda to spend Rs 2,500 or so for creating a statue of Shaheed Bhagat Singh	Ditto
105	196	Ditto	30-3-70	Forcibly taking away and raping a Harijan minor girl of village Tajewal, district Ludhiana	Ditto
106	197	Ditto	30-3-70	Acute discontentment among the employees of Market Committees in the State	Ditto
107	206	Ditto	30-3-70	Taking away of five persons by the Police in Ropar and Patiala and shooting them dead	Ditto

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COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF SPEECHES MADE AND TIME TAKEN

(January-March Session, 1970)

Number of speeches made by				*Time taken by*			
Treasury Benches				**Treasury Benches**			
Members excluding Ministers	Ministers	Members of Opposition (Cong.)	Other parties including C.P.I., C.P.(M) Swatantra, P.S.S., S.S.P. Shiromani Akali Dal Panj Kaunsali	Members excluding Ministers	Ministers	Members of opposition (Cong.)	Other parties including C.P.I., C.P.M., Swatantra, P.S.P., S.S.P. Shiromani Akali Dal, Panj Kaunsali
57	18	51	77	13·20	5·16	14·14	16·26
28·07 Per cent	8·86 Per cent	25·12 Per cent	37·93 Per cent	27·06 Per cent	10·69 Per cent	28·89 Per cent	33·35 Per cent

Notes. (1) Observations/Statements /Rulings etc. by the Chair and the time taken thereon are not included in the above statement.

(2) Question hour has been excluded from the statement.

(3) Time taken on divisions, Adjournment Motions, Call Attention Notices, Privilege Motions, Points of Order, Motions in respect of legislation, Personal Explanations, etc., is also excluded from the statement.

Figures relating to Questions

1.	Total number of sittings of the Sabha ..	24
2.	Number of questions (Starred and Unstarrred) received ..	1,668
3.	Number of Short Notice Questions received ..	13
4.	Total number of sittings at which the question hour was dispensed with ..	
5.	Number of Members from whom notices were received ..	54
6.	Total number of questions to which oral answers were given ..	314
7.	Largest number of questions orally answered on any one day ..	21
8.	Least number of questions orally answered on any one day ..	3
9.	Total number of Starred Questions converted into Unstarred Questions	289
10.	Total number of Unstarred Questions replied to ..	299
11.	Largest number of questions addressed to any one Minister (Chief Minister) ..	161
12.	Largest number of questions orally answered by any one Minister (Chief Minister) ..	86
13.	Total number of statements supplied to the Members in reply to their questions ..	126

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Statement showing the number of Starred, Unstarred and Short Notice Questions.

Questions	Number of Notices received	Number admitted	No. disallowed /referred back	No. not put	Number answered	Number deemed to have been answered under Rules 45	No. of Supplementaries put		Remarks
Starred	1277 (including 4 renewed Starred Questions)	934 (including 4 renewed Starred Questions)	343	24	314 (Treasury — 52 Opposition — 139 C.P.I. — 69 C.P.I. — (M) 27 S.S.P. — 7 P.S.P. — 20	236 (Treasury Opposition — 124 C.P.I. — 42 C.P.I.(M) — 13 S.S.P. — 7 P.S.P. — 7	43	1536	1. 66 Starred Questions could not be included in any lists of questions 2. 289 Starred Questions were converted into Unstarred Questions and included in the Supplementary List of Unstarred Questions (Converted as such from Starred) for the 30th March, 1970 3. 3 Starred Questions were withdrawn by the Members concerned 4. 2 Starred Questions were disallowed on reconsideration
Unstarred	391 (including one renewed unstarred question)	304 (including one renewed unstarred question)	87	..	299 Treasury —32 Opposition— 121 C.P.I. — 125 C.P.I. (M)— 6 S.S.P. — 2 P.S.P. 7 Swatantm 6	..	..		5. Unstarred Questions could not be included in any lists of questions
Short Notice	13	2	11	..	..	..	..		No reply in respect of both the Short Notice questions was received from the Government till the end of the Session

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STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS ANSWERED DATE-WISE

Date	Treasury	Opposition	C.P.I.	C.P.I. (M)	S.S.P	P.S.P	Total
9th January, 1970	..	3	..	..	..	..	3
3rd February, 1970	..	4	2	..	..	..	6
4th February, 1970	4	8	..	..	1	..	13
5th February, 1970	..	5	8	1	..	..	14
6th February, 1970	2	4	3	2	..	..	11
27th February, 1970	1	9	4	..	..	1	15
2nd March, 1970	1	11	..	2	..	..	14
3rd March, 1970	..	3	6	2	..	..	11
4th March, 1970	1	6	4	..	..	2	13
5th March, 1970	5	4	2	1	..	3	15
9th March, 1970	3	4	8		..	..	15
10th March, 1970	2	2	3	3	..	3	13
11th March, 1970	4	7	4	..	..	..	15
12th March, 1970	3	6	..	3	1	3	16
13th March, 1970	3	3	6	..	1	..	13
16th March, 1970	4	7	1	6	..	2	20
17th March, 1970	2	9	1	..	..	1	13
18th March, 1970	1	5	7	2	..	1	16
19th March, 1970 (Morning sitting)	5	8	..	..	..	2	15

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Date		Treasury	Opposition	C.P.I.	C.P.I.(M)	S.S.P.	P.S.P.	Total
19th March, 1970 (Afternoon sitting)	..	2	6	6	..	1	..	15
20th March, 1970	..	.	8	..	5	..	..	13
25th March, 1970	..	7	11	1	..	..	2	21
30th March, 1970	..	2	6	3	..	3	..	14
Total	..	52	139	69	27	7	20	314

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STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS DEEMED TO HAVE BEEN ANSWERED UNDER RULE 45 DATE-WISE

Date	Treasury	Opposition	C.P.I.	C.P.I. (M)	S.S.P	P.S.P.	Total
23rd February, 1970 ..	5	2	9	..	..	..	16
24th February, 1970 ..	3	9	..	..	..	..	12
25th February, 1970 ..	3	2	3	..	..	..	8
26th February, 1970 ..	2	8	1	1	..	..	12
27th February, 1970 ..	1	1	..	..	..	2	4
2nd March, 1970 ..	..	4	..	..	..	..	4
3rd March, 1970 ..	2	6	4	..	..	..	12
4th March, 1970 ..	2	8	1	..	..	1	12
5th March, 1970 ..	2	3	..	2	..	..	7
9th March, 1970 ..	..	1	3	1	..	..	5
10th March, 1970 ..	2	8	5	1	..	..	16
11th March, 1970 ..	3	3	2	..	..	..	8
12th March, 1970 ..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
13th March, 1970 ..	1	..	1	..	5	..	7
17th March, 1970 ..	1	5	1	..	..	2	9
18th March, 1970 ..	..	5	2	4	..	..	11
19th March, 1970 (Morning sitting) ..	3	4	..	..	..	..	7
19th March, 1970 (Afternoon sitting) ..	..	4	3	..	2	..	9
20th March, 1970 ..	..	4	..	..	..	..	4
25th March, 1970 ..	6	2	..	..	..	..	8
30th March, 1970 ..	7	44	7	4	..	2	64
Total ..	43	124	42	13	7	7	236

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STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS IN THE NAMES OF DIFFERENT MINISTERS DATE-WISE

Date	Chief Minister	Industries Minister	Irrigation and Power Minister	Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister	Finance Minister	Social Welfare Minister	Food and Supplies Minister	Development and Animal Husbandry Minister	Education Minister	Local Government Minister	Agriculture Minister	Minister of State for Finance and Forests	Minister of State for Industries and Health	Total
19th January, 1970	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3
23rd February, 1970	..	9	..	3	2	4	..	..	1	..	2	1	..	3	25
24th February, 1970	..	3	4	8	1	..	1	..	5	2	..	1	..	..	25
25th February, 1970	..	5	..	5	2	3	..	..	2	3	1	..	..	3	24
26th February, 1970	..	7	..	2	3	3	1	..	..	4	3	..	..	2	25
27th February, 1970	..	7	..	5	..	..	1	..	2	7	1	1	..	1	25
2nd March, 1970	..	13	..	2	1	3	..	..	..	2	2	2	..	..	25
3rd March, 1970	..	7	1	..	1	1	2	..	2	1	..	2	1	6	24
4th March, 1970	..	7	2	1	1	..	2	..	..	2	5	4	..	1	25
5th March, 1970	..	8	..	5	1	2	2	..	..	4	1	..	..	1	24
9th March, 1970	..	7	..	4	1	1	1	..	..	2	4	1	1	3	25
10th March, 1970	..	9	1	1	4	..	..	..	..	5	2	1	..	2	25
11th March, 1970	..	10	..	4	1	1	..	..	2	2	1	..	1	2	24
12th March, 1970	..	3	1	6	..	3	1	..	2	6	3	..	..	..	25

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13th March, 1970	..	6	2	3	1	..	1	1	2	3	5	1	..	..	25
16th March, 1970	..	7	..	6	2	..	..	..	..	5	2	2	..	1	25
17th March, 1970	..	4	2	6	..	1	..	..	2	4	4	..	1	1	25
18th March, 1970	..	8	1	3	1	2	1	1	1	3	3	1	..	..	25
19th March, 1970 (Morning sitting)	..	5	..	4	2	1	..	..	..	6	1	1	..	5	25
19th March, 1970 (Afternoon sitting)	..	8	1	5	1	2	1	..	2	4	1	4	..	..	25
24th March, 1970	..	5	..	5	..	1	1	1	1	10	..	1	..	..	25
25th March, 1970	..	6	1	8	..	1	..	..	1	6	1	1	..	..	25
26th March, 1970	..	10	1	4	..	..	3	..	..	2	1	1	..	3	25
30th March, 1970	..	7	1	1	..	..	2	..	1	9	2	1	..	1	25
Total	..	161	18	91	25	29	21	3	26	92	45	22	4	37	574

STARRED QUESTIONS POSTPONED FROM VARIOUS LISTS OF QUESTIONS WERE AGAIN INCLUDED IN THE LISTS OF POSTPONED STARRED QUESTIONS AS DETAILED BELOW

9th March, 1970	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
10th March, 1970	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4
11th March, 1970	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3
16th March, 1970	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	5
17th March, 1970	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1
18th March, 1970	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2
25th March, 1970	..	4	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	1	9
30th March, 1970	..	2	..	1	1	1	1	..	2	1	1	2	..	..	12
Total	..	11	1	1	5	2	1	..	2	5	4	4	..	1	37

Note.—There was no Question Hour on the 26th March, 1970 and questions printed in the List of Question for the 26th March, 1970 were taken up on the 30th March, 1970 along with the list of questions for 30th March, 1970

4—WALK-OUTS

Serial No.	Date	Member (S) walking out	Occasion
1.	19th January, 1970	Sirdar Kapur Singh	By way of protest against not being given time to speak.
2.	23rd February, 1970	Members of the Communist Groups	By way of protest against not conceding the demand for giving a statement forthwith on the Call Attention Motion.
3.	24th February, 1970	Harijan Members of Treasury Benches and the Opposition followed by the entire Opposition	By way of protest against the Harijans in the State not getting a fair deal at the hands of the Government.
4.	26th February, 1970	The Congress (Opposition)	In protest against an Adjournment Motion having been ruled out of order.
5.	27th February, 1970	Shri Gurdial Saini and Chaudhri Jagat Ram, M.L.As. Opposition (Congress)	By way of protest for not having been given time to speak.
6.	2nd March, 1970	Sirdar Kapur Singh, M.L.A., Akali Dal (Panj Kaunsli)	In protest against the Speaker for not giving him an opportunity to speak despite his rising in his seat a number of times.
7.	3rd March, 1970	Three Members of the Opposition (Congress)	In protest against the Speaker not admitting Call Attention Notices No. 77 by Chaudhri Kewal Krishan, M.L.A.
8.	4th March, 1970	Opposition (Congress), P.S.P., S.S.P., C.P.I. and C.P.(M)	In protest against the Government for not making any provision in the Budget for relief to Subordinate Services in the State.
9.	12th March, 1970	Opposition (Congress), C.P.I., C.P.(M), P.S.P., S.S.P. and Shiromani Akali Dal (Panj Kaunsli)	In protest against the Speaker's refusal to allot time for the consideration of the Draft Fourth Five-Year Plan.
10.	12th March, 1970	Entire Opposition	By way of protest against the ruling of the Speaker's refusing to admit motion of No-Confidence.
11.	20th March, 1970	Opposition (Congress) Except Dr. Amir Singh Kalkat, and Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda	In protest against the refusal of the Speaker to allow them adequate time to speak on the maltreatment of Harijans at the hands of the Government and the failure of the Police to afford them necessary protection.

DIVISIONS

Serial No.	Date	Recorded / Not recorded	Occasion	Result
1	5th March, 1970.	Not recorded. But a Count was made Ayes : 23 Noes : 48	On a motion asking for leave to introduce the Punjab Industrial Employees' Payment of Gratuity Bill, 1970 by Comrade Satya Pal Dang, M.L.A.	The motion was declared lost.
2.	19th March, 1970 (Afternoon sitting)	Not recorded But a Count was made Ayes : 70 Noes : 7	On a motion for the adoption of the Fourth Report of Business Advisory Committee	The motion was declared carried.

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Serial No.	Date	Recorded / Not-recorded	Occasion	Result
3.	25th March, 1970	Not recorded But a Count was made. Ayes : 22 Noes : 44	On a motion moved by the Chief Minister that the Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1970, be taken into consideration at once.	The motion was declared lost.
4.	30th March, 1970	Recorded. Ayes : 55 Noes : 44	On a motion moved by the Finance Minister that the Punjab Appropriation(No. 2) Bill, 1970, be taken into consideration at once.	The motion was declared carried.
5.	30th March, 1970	Not recorded. Ayes : 54 Noes : 40	On a motion being moved by the Minister for Industries that the question be now put (in respect of discussion on caluse 3 of the Punjab Appropriation Bill (No. 2), 1970).	The motion was declared carried.

UNPARLIAMENTARY/UNDESIRABLE EXPRESSIONS

Expression		Date
ਤੁਸੀਂ ਇਕ ਮੈਂਬਰ ਦੇ ਖਿਲਾਫ ਇਰਰਿਸਪਾਂਸੀਬਲ ਗਲ ਕਰ ਰਹੇ ਹੋ ।	When used with reference to the Chair.	23rd February, 1970
You want that confusion must persist, if you allow confusion to persist you will stand disapproved before the whole world.	When used with reference to the Chair.	23rd February, 1970
ਬਕਵਾਸ	When used with reference to an hon. Member.	24th February, 1970
ਠਗ ਅਤੇ ਡਾਕੂ	When used with reference to Members of the House.	24th February, 1970
You are destroying our privileges and prerogatives.	When used with reference to the Speaker.	25th February, 1970
Our rights are not being safeguarded	Ditto	Ditto
This is not a primary class. You should address an hon. Members in proper language.	Ditto	Ditto
ਢਾਂਜੀ ਹਾਊਸ, ਯਤੀਮਖਾਨੇ।	When used in respect of Committee set up by the Government.	26th February, 1970
ਯਤੀਮ	When used in connection with the Leader of the House.	11th March, 1970
Your direction to him to resume his seat is utterly out of order	When used in respect of the Chair.	11th March, 1970
If you want to protect the Ministry, I have no objection.	When used with reference to the Speaker.	30th March, 1970
ਤੁਸੀਂ ਬਿਜਨੈਸ ਐਡਵਾਇਜ਼ਰੀ ਕਮੇਟੀ ਦੀ ਪਾਵਰ ਵੀ ਲੈ ਲਈ	When used with reference to the Speaker.	30th March, 1970
ਇਸ ਤਰ੍ਹਾਂ ਸਾਨੂੰ ਸੁਨਨ ਤੋਂ ਪਹਿਲਾਂ ਰੁਲਿੰਗ ਦੇਣਾ ਸਾਡੇ ਹੱਕਾਂ ਤੇ ਛਾਪਾ ਮਾਰਨ ਵਾਲੀ ਗਲ ਹੈ।	When used with reference to the Speaker.	30th March, 1970
You are not behaving as a Speaker. This is undesirable.	Ditto	Ditto

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Observation made by the Speaker

Debate, dated 26th February, 1970

Observation made by the Speaker on the 26th February, 1970 regarding levelli ng of charges against a Minister.

I want to make one more thing clear that no charges can be levelled against any Minister without a Substantive Motion.

Debate, dated 12th March, 1970

Observation made by the Speaker on the 12th March, 1970 with regard to the Motions of No-Confidence moved against a Minister under Rule 65 of the Rules of Procedure.

As the Hon. Members are aware during the Autumn Session, 1969, a point was raised regarding the admissibility of two No-Confidence Motions given notice of by some hon. Members against the then Minister for Finance and Labour, Shri Krishan Lal. That point was discussed at great length. After careful examination of the views expressed by Members from various sides of the House on that point, the relevant rules and the constitutional provisions, I held on the 5th November, 1969 as under :—

> "To me it appears that our Rule 65 is partly in conflict with Article 164(2). This is my view but it should not be regarded as my ruling."

I also stated—

> "I am quite clear in my mind that rule of this House cannot over ride a specific constitutional provision. But at the same time, it is clear beyond any shadow of doubt that the Speaker's ruling cannot over ride a rule of the House. It has to be in conformity with the Rules. It is the House alone which is competent to rescind, suspend or modify its rules. So long as Rule 65 in its present form is a part of our rules, I cannot ignore it."

With a view to find some way out of the *Im-passe*, the two No-Confidence Motions against the then Minister for Finance and Labour, were, with the concurrence of the hon. Members giving notice of the motions, admitted as Censure Motions. But I also then said—

> "I am referring Rule 65 to the Rules Committee to suggest, in view of the discussion that took place in the House earlier regarding the admissibility of No-Confidence Motions against individual Ministers, what amendments are called for in this rule".

Accordingly I referred the matter to the Rules Committee. It was considered by it at one of its meetings. It has taken some decision which will come in the form of its Report before the House in due course.

Now the position is that I have received notices of two No-Confidence Motions against Sardar Jiwan Singh Umranangal, Minister of State ; one is by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and the other is by Sardar Umrao Singh, Sardar Santokh Singh, Sardar Sarup Singh and Chaudhri Jagat Ram.

As I pointed out then, so long as this Rule 65 exists in its present form I have to act according to it. But at the same time I will be failing in my duty if I do not bring to the notice of the House that we will not be adopting a healthy course by doing something which ***prima facie*** is against the provisions of the Constitution. I am saying so because we all have taken an oath to bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution and are, therefore, required to uphold it.

I have explained the whole position and now leave the matter to the House for its decision.

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Debate, dated 3rd March, 1970

Observations made by the Speaker on the 3rd March 1970 regarding the presence of Minister in the House.

As the hon. Members are aware, there is no rule which provides that a Minister must be present in the House during its proceedings. The Speaker has no power to enforce the attendance of any particular Minister in the House. It is, however, necessary according to the well-established convention that a Cabinet Minister should be present at all times when business of his Department(s) is going on or directly or indirectly is before the House unless his absence from the House becomes unavoidable for extremely compelling reasons. In this connection I may point out that Sardar Jiwan Singh Umranangal is a Minister of State for Revenue Labour and Local Government and he does not hold any independent portfolio. The Minister for Revenue, the Minister for Labour and the Minister for Local Government have answered the questions or points whenever raised by the Members in the House. Therefore, there is no question of privilege involved and do not give my consent to the question being raised.

Debate, dated 30th March, 1970

Observation made by the Speaker on 30th March 1970 regarding the right of S Gurnam Singh the outgoing Chief Minister to make a statement in the House.

The Speaker observed "So far there has been no precedent in the Lok Sabha for a statement being made by the Prime Minister who resigns informing the House of the reasons for his resignation. Nor is there any such instance in the House of Commons. In fact the practice in the United Kingdom is to pay tribute to the outgoing Prime Minister and to welcome the new Prime Minister immediately after the Question Hour.

In view of this I must admit it in the first instance I was not very clear whether a statement by the outgoing Chief Minister Sardar Gurnam Singh in the circumstances in which he resigned was permissible. I, therefore, examined the matter in great detail and also informal consultation with authorities competent to advise on parliamentary procedure and practice. I hold that Sardar Gurnam Singh can make a statement. I also hold that the scope of the statement is very limited. He can in the statement envisaged in rule 62 state the reasons for his resignation. In other words he can state the difference that he has had with his Ministerial colleagues and/or Legislators belonging to his party and the reasons why Members/Ministers belonging to his party did not vote in favour of the Bill which was ultimately rejected by the House.

However, I am afraid, the statement proposed to be made by Sardar Gurnam Singh, a copy of which has been supplied by him to me in advance, does not mention any of these points. On the other hand, it contains defamatory offensive and undignified remarks against some persons and those persons cannot defend themselves in this House. In view of our rules this statement cannot be made.

Under the proviso to sub-rule (2) of rule 12 a copy of the statement or alternatively a gist of such statement is to be supplied to the Speaker and the Leader of the House one day in advance of the day on which it is proposed to be made.

Therefore, according to the rules a new statement by Sardar Gurnam Singh cannot be made at this stage. But I do not want to stand in his way on technical grounds. If he prepares a new statement limiting it to the points mentioned above and supplies to me during the course of the day a copy thereof, I will, if I find it in order, permit him to make it on the floor of the House. Of course, a copy of that statement will also be required to be forwarded to the Leader of the House simultaneously.

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POINTS OF ORDER AND DECISIONS THEREON

Debate, dated 26th February, 1970

Whether a ruling given by the Chairman after the Speaker had left the House, would prevail even if it was at variance with any ruling given by the Speaker before leaving the House.

It was held that it would prevail ; though it would be proper to have consistency in the Rulings from the Chair.

(On the 26th February, 1970, the above point was raised by a Member that the Chairman had adjourned the House on the 25th February, 1970 in contravention of the order of the hon. Speaker given earlier.)

Debate, dated 26th February, 1970

Whether a Member could level counter charges while giving his personal explanation.

It was held that an hon. Member, while making his personal explanation, could not level allegations and counter allegations.

Debate, dated 9th March, 1970

Whether the Chief Minister has the right to make a statement in the House at any time.

It was held that under the Rules the Chief Minister could make a statement in the House at any stage.

(On 9th March, 1970 some discussion took place in the House after a Privilege Motion against the Chief Minister for making a statement outside the House regarding the enhancement of certain taxes, was rejected by the Speaker. When the Chief Minister rose to answer this discussion, the above Point of Order was raised by a Member at which the Speaker ruled as above).

Debate, dated 11th March, 1970

Whether a Minister who is not a Member of the House can remain a Minister and sit in the House.

It was held that a Minister, when appointed as such, can, under the Constitution remain a Minister and sit in the House for six months, even if he is not a Member of the Legislature.

Debate, dated 17th March, 1970

Whether Member can take note of the happenings in the Galleries of the House during its sitting.

It was held that it could not be done.

(On the 17th March, 1970, a Member drew the attention of the House to the fact that a Harijan Officer had not been given a seat in the Officers' Gallery at which the Chair ruled as above).

Debate, dated 17th March, 1970

Whether any word/words can be ordered to be expunged from the record of the House on the ground that they were not in good taste.

It was held that it could be done.

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(On 17th March, 1970, immediately after the Question Hour, a Member rose on a Point of Order and said that according to Rule 116 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the House only those words which were 'defamatory or indecent or unparliamentary or undignified' could be expunged and not those found to be 'not in good taste'. At this the Speaker gave the ruling stating that it was based on the rulings given in the Lok Sabha.)

Debate, dated 17th March, 1970

Whether the words used in the House in the absence of the hon. Speaker could be expunged by the Speaker.

It was held that the Speaker was comptetent to order expunction of such word/ words.

(On the 17th March, 1970 a Member pointed out that the hon. Speaker had ordered expunction of some words uttered by him in the absence of the Speaker from the House. The above ruling was given in reply thereto.)

Debate, dated 19th March, 1970 (Morning Sitting)

Whether Government is competent to issue a Notification under any Act when the Assembly is in Session.

It was held that the Government was within its right to issue a Notification and the Members could not object to it.

(On 19th March, 1970, a Privilege Motion objecting to the issuing of a Notification by the Government bringing four Districts of Punjab under the jurisdiction of Guru Nanak University, Amritsar was disallowed by the Speaker. The above Point of Order was raised by a Member or Members during the discussion that followed and the hon. Speaker ruled as above.)

Debate, dated 19th March, 1970 (Evening Sitting)

Whether it was essential that a Minister of a Cabinet rank should remain present in the House.

It was held that the propriety demanded that a Minister of the Cabinet rank should be present when the Demands for Grants were being discussed in the House.

(On 19th March, 1970, during the discussion on the Demands for Grants, but for a Minister of State, no other Minister was present in the House. The above Point of Order was raised by a Member at which this ruling was given by the Chair).

Debate, dated 25th March, 1970

Whether a Bill could be moved by any Minister.

It was held that any Minister could move any Bill which was on the list of Business for the day.

(On 25th March, 1970 when the Appropriation Bill was moved by the Chief Minister on the refusal of the Finance Minister to move it, an hon. Member raised this point of order and the Chair gave the above ruling.)

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Debate, dated 26th March, 1970

Whether a sitting of the House is valid if the House has yet to elect its Leader.

It was held that when the House was validly constituted, its sitting was valid too.

(On the 26th March, 1970 a number of hon. Members rising on Points of Order submitted that the Government having been defeated the previous day on a Money Bill, there was no Government or Leader of the House and hence the House could not proceed and must be adjourned. At this the Chair ruled as above.)

Debate, dated 30th March, 1970

Whether a Motion for the adjournment of the House *sine die* has to be moved before 3.00 p. m.

It was held that the notice of such a motion could be given at any time.

(On 30th March, 1970 the motion for the adjournment of the House *sine die* was moved at about 7.35 p.m. At this a Member raised the above Point of Order in reply to which the Speaker gave the above ruling and also pointed out that the notice had been received before 3.00 p.m. that day.

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APPENDIX

BULLETINS

Containing brief record of the proceedings of the meetings of the fifth Punjab Vidhan Sabha held during the January-March, 1970, Session

BULLETIN No. 1

Monday, the 19th January, 1970

(From 3·00 P.M. to 7·25 P.M.)

1. QUESTIONS

(a) Starred

Questions entered in the list of Starred Questions for the 20th January, 1970 were asked and answered.

Total No. of questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not Put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
3	3	..	..	35

(b) Unstarred

1

II. ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS CONVERTED INTO CALL ATTENTION NOTICES

1. Adjournment Motion given notice of by S. Kirpal Singh and Dr. Kewal Krishan respectively regarding the proposed self-immolation of Sant Fateh Singh were, with the concurrence of the Hon. Members concerned, converted into Call Attention Notices. These were admitted and the Ministers concerned were asked to make statements thereon.

2. Adjournment motion given notice of by Chaudhri Balbir Singh regarding 'the deployment of Border Security Force in Punjab' was with the concurrence of the Hon. Member, converted into a Call Attention Notice.

The Chief Minister made a statement in the House in connection therewith.

III. CALL ATTENTION NOTICES

1. Call Attention Notice (No.2) given by Com. Darshan Singh Jhabal regarding 'the unbearable rise in the price of Foodgrain' was admitted and Minister concerned made a statement in connection therewith.

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 4) given by Chaudhri Kewal Krishan regarding 'acute shortage of water in Shah Nahar irrigating land in Mukerian and Desuya Blocks', was admitted and the Minister concerned was asked to make a statement in connection therewith.

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3. Call Attention Notice (No. 5) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang regarding 'the recent death of as many as 15 persons in Mansa as a result of food poisoning' was admitted and the Minister concerned was asked to make statement in connection therewith.

4. Call Attention Notice (No. 6) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang regarding 'the failure of the Government to revise the minimum wages in the Textile Industry and to link the same with the cost of living index' was admitted and the Minister concerned made a statement in the House and a Question was asked thereon the Member concerned and also answered.

5. Call Attention Notice (No. 7) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang regarding 'the repressive measures adopted by the police authorities against the peaceful teachers siting Dharna in January, 1970 before Ludhiana residence of the Chief Minister' was admitted and the Minister concerned was asked to make a statement in connection therewith.

6. Call Attention Notice (No. 9) given by S. Raja Singh, regarding the corrupt practices of certain police officers of Ropar District was admitted and that Minister concerned was asked to make a statement in connection therewith.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

(i) **Panel of Chairmen.**—Under Rule 13 (1) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly, I nominate the following members to serve on the Panel of Chairman :

1. Sardar Shashpal Singh,
2. Sardar Jasdev Singh Sandhu,
3. Sardar Basant Singh, and
4. Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda.

(ii) **Address of the Governor.**—In pursuance of the Rule 19 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly, I have to report that the Governor is pleased to address the Punjab Vidhan Sabha today, the 19th January, 1970 under article 176(1) of the Constitution.

A copy of the address is laid on the Table of the House.

V. ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SECRETARY

"I beg to lay on the Table of the House a statement showing the Bills which were passed by the Punjab State Legislature during its Autumn Session 1969, and which have since been assented to by the President of India/ Governor."

STATEMENT

1. The Punjab Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Bill, 1969.
2. The Punjab Aided Schools (Security of Service) Bill, 1969.
3. The Punjabi University (Amendment) Bill, 1969.
4. The Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment) Bill, 1969.
5. The Punjab School Education Board Bill, 1969.
6. The Punjab Passengers and Goods Taxation (Amendment) Bill, 1969.
7. The Punjab Motor Spirit (Taxation on Sales) Amendment Bill, 1969.

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8. The Guru Nanak University, Amritsar, Bill, 1969.

9. The Punjab Tenancy (Amendment) Bill, 1969.

10. The Punjab Cinemas (Regulation) Amendment Bill, 1969.

11. The Punjab Instruments (Control of Noises) Amendment Bill, 1969.

12. The Punjab Dramatic Performances (Amendment) Bill, 1969.

13. The Good Conduct Prisoners' Probational Release (Amendment) Bill, 1969.

14. The Punjab Security of Land Tenures (Amendment) Bill, 1969.

15. The Pepsu Tenancy and Agricultural Lands (Amendment) Bill, 1969.

VI. OBITUARY REFERENCES

The Chief Minister made reference to the death of late :—

(i) Sardar Gurmukh Nihal Singh, Ex-Governor of Rajasthan.

(ii) Professor D.C. Sharma, M.P.

(iii) S. Kartar Singh Balaggan, Punjabi Poet.

The following members made observations :—

Captain Rattan Singh, Chaudhri Balbir Singh, S. Kripal Singh, S. Basant Singh, Master Babu Singh and Jathedar Hardit Singh Bhathal.

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed in the House.

The House stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the deceased.

It was also decided to send messages of condolence to the bereaved families.

VII. FIRST REPORT OF THE BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Speaker presented the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.

The motion moved by the Chief Parliamentary Secretary :—

"That this House agrees with the recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee." was put and carried.

VIII. PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

The Chief Minister laid on the Table 'The Constitution (Twenty-Third Amendmen) Bill, 1969, as passed by the Houses of Parliament.'

IX. RESOLUTION UNDER ARTICLE 368 OF THE CONSTITUTION

The Chief Minister with a short speech moved the following resolution :—

"That this House ratifies the amendments to the Constitution of India falling within the purview of the proviso to Article 368 thereof, proposed to be made by the Constitution (Twenty-Third Amendment) Bill, 1969, as passed by the Houses of Parliament."

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Six members from the Oppostition, three from Treasury Benches, One each from C.P.I., C.P.(M), S.S.P., P.S.P. and Swatantra spoke for 1 hour 30 minutes, 34 minutes, 22 minutes, 6 minutes, 9 minutes, 10 minutes and 5 minutes, respectively.

The motion was put and carried unanimously.

WALK OUT

As a protest against not being able to catch the eye of the Speaker, Sirdar Kapur Singh, a member of Shiromani Akali Dal, walked out of the House.

X. PRESENTATION OF THE REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES

Sardar Jasdev Singh Sandhu, Chairman, Committee of Privileges, presented :—

(i) the Second Preliminary Report of the Committee of Privileges regarding the threatening behaviour of Sardar Harbhagwan Singh, Ex-M.L.A., towards Sardar Trilochan Singh Riyasti, M.L.A. in the precincts of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha ;

and moved

(ii) that the time fixed for presenting the Report of the Committee of Privileges be extended till the 31st March, 1970.

The motion was carried.

XI. RESOLUTION

The following motion was put and carried ;

"That Rules 30(3) and 193 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly be suspended for the purpose of Resolution to be moved by Chaudhri Balbir Singh."

and Chaudhri Balbir Singh moved the following Resolution :

"That this House recommends unanimously to the Government that the Central Government be approached with a request that Chandigarh and other Punjabi speaking areas be immediately transferred to Punjab and that the Administration of Bhakra Board be restored as it existed in 1966 and that Punjab Government should not enter into any compromise or bargain in this connection."

The Motion was put and carried unanimously.

The Sabha then adjourned till 2.00 P.M. on Monday, the 23rd February, 1970.

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BULLETIN No. 2

Monday, the 23rd February, 1970

(From 2·00 p.m. to 6·30 p.m.)

I. QUESTIONS

(a) Starred

Total No. of Questions on the order paper	Answered	Not Put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
25	6	..	3	36

The remaining Starred Questions on the order paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

(b) Unstarred

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II. QUESTION OF PRIVILEGE

(1) Leave to move the Question of Privilege given notice of by Sardar Umrao Singh, M.L.A. regarding 'the news-item appearing in the issue of "Daily Samachar" Jullundur mentioning certain information regarding the report of the Estimates Committee' was granted by the House. Permission to withdraw the motion by the member concerned was refused by the Chair. The Question of Privilege stood referred to the Privilege Committee.

(2) Question of Privilege sought to be raised by Chaudhri Balbir Singh and Sathi Roop Lal regarding 'the acceptance by the State Government the decision of Central Government whereby large area of Fazilka and Abohar had been taken away in lieu of Chandigarh' was ruled out by order.

III. CALL ATTENTION NOTICES

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 12) given by Sardar Gurbanta Singh, regarding the non-payment so for the stipends for the years 1968-69 and 1969-70 to the students belonging to Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No.14) given by Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda regarding 'the failure of the State Government to take action against the person responsible for insulting and burning the National Flags on 26th and 28th January, at Amritsar.

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 17) given by Com. Darshan Singh Jhabal regarding 'the agitation of the teachers of Government Schools.'

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 18) given by Com. Babu Singh Master and Com. Satya Pal Dang regarding 'the reported proposal to auction surplus evacuee lands'.

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(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 19) given by Com. Kulwant Singh and others regarding 'the incidents of g abing of Government land in urban areas by declaring it a gurdwara or a mandir at various places in the State'.

(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 20) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang regarding 'the failure of the Government to intervene and to get settled nearly 100 days' old strike of more than 3,000 workers of the Jagatjit Cotton Textile Mills Ltd., Phagwara were admitted and Minister concerned were asked to make a statement thereon.

WALK OUT

As a mark of protest against not conceeding the demand for a statement on the Call Attention being given forthwith, the members of the Communist groups walked out of the House.

IV. OBITUARY REFERENCES

Obituary references were made to the deaths of Sh. Roop Lal Mehta, M.L.A., Haryana (Ex-M.L.A. Punjab) and Shri Pataskar, Ex-Minister of Union Government and Ex-Governor by the Chief Minister Leader of the Opposition Master Babu Singh, Chaudhri Balbir Singh and Sardar Basant Singh.

The Hon. Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed in the House. The House stood in silence for two minutes as mark of respect to the deceased. It was decided to send messages of condolence to the members of the families of the deceased.

V. PAPERS LAID ON TABLE

The Industries Minister laid on the table 'The Audit Report on the accounts of the Punjab Financial Corporation for the year ended 31st of March, 1968, as required under section 37(7) of the State Financial Coporation Act, 1951.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SECRETARY

I have to inform the House that the Pepsu Occupancy Tenants (Vesting of Proprietary) Amendment Bill 1969, which was passed by the Punjab State Legislature during its Autumn Session, 1969, has since been assented to by the President of India.

VII. DISCUSSION ON THE GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS

Sardar Jasdev Singh Sandhu, a member of the Treasury Benches, while moving the following motion spoke for 54 minutes :—

"That an Address be presented to the Governor in the following terms :—

"That the members of this House assembled in this Session are deeply grateful to the Governor for the Address which he has been pleased to deliver to the House on the 19th January, 1970."

Sardar Trilochan Singh Ryasti, another member of the Treasury Benches seconding the motion spoke for 58 minutes.

Capt. Rattan Singh, Deputy Leader of the Opposition (Congress) ; had spoken for 27 minutes and was still on his legs when the House rose for the day.

VIII. POINT OF ORDER

A point of order was raised whether the portions of the speech of the Hon. Member from a seat other than his own be expunged.

The Deputy Speaker made a few observations and reserved his ruling thereon.

Hon. Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 4·12 P.M. to 6·30 P.M.

The House then adjourned till 9·00 A.M. on Tuesday, the 24th February, 1970.

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BULLETIN No. 3

Tuesday, 24th February, 1970.

(From 9·00 A.M. to 1·30 P.M.)

I. ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The Speaker announced the decision arrived at, in consultation of the leaders of various groups/parties, for the expeditions disposal of questions during the Question Hour.

II. QUESTIONS

(a) Starred

Asking of the Questions commenced with the supplementaries to Starred Question No. 1015 in the List of Questions for the 23rd February, 1970 and thereafter the List of Questions for 24th February, 1970 was taken up.

Total Number of Questions on the order paper	Answered	Not Put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
25	13	..	..	61

(b) Unstarred

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The remaining Starred Questions on the Order paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

III. CALL ATTENTION NOTICES

The Chief Minister gave a statement on the Call Attention Notice (No. 16) given by Com. Darshan Singh Jhabal. A question was also asked on the statement by the Hon. Member concerned and answer given. The following Call Attention Notices were admitted and the Ministers concerned were asked to make statements thereon.

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 21) given by Chaudhri Kewal Krishan regarding 'the recent incidents at various places in the State, as a result of which the Hindus, who are in minority in the State, have begun to feel insecure.'

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 22) given by Sardar Kirpal Singh regarding 'the awkward position created by the contradictory statements made by the Minister belonging to the two parties in the Government on the decision given by the Central Government on Chandigarh and Punjabi speaking areas.'

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 26) given by Vaid Kartar Singh regarding 'transfer of Shri Des Raj, Sub-Inspector, Police from Rohtak to Gurdaspur.'

(4) Call Attetnion Notice (No. 28) given by Sathi Roop Lal regarding 'the dharna resorted to by the employees of Municipalities of Punjab.'

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(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 29) given by Chaudhri Tulsi Ram Chauhan and others regarding 'maintenance of status quo of the position of land under dispute between the Akalies and the Mandir committee at Kapurthala.

(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 37) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang regarding 'the discontentment prevailing among the Municipal Employees of the State due to the failure of the Government to implement in full the report of the Pay Committee.'

(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 39) given by Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi regarding 'the criminal assault on two Harijan women in village Talwandi, Tehsil Samana.'

(8) Call Attention Notice (No. 42) given by Sardar Beant Singh regarding 'the failure of the Government in issuing order for the removal of a number of anomalies in case of equated employees in 'A' class offices.

IV. REPORT OF THE BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The hon. Speaker presented the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee.

Minister for Food and Civil Supplies moved that the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee be adopted.

An hon. Member from the Opposition and the Chief Minister made a few observations.

The motion was carried.

V. PRESENTATION OF THE REPORT OF THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

The Chairman, Public Accounts Committee presented the Twenty-sixth Report on the Appropriation Accounts of the Punjab Government for the years 1964-65 and 1965-66 and the Audit Reports 1966 and 1967.

VI. RESUMPTION OF DISCUSSION ON THE GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS

Capt. Rattan Singh, who was in possession of the House when it adjourned on the 23rd February, 1970 resuming his speech spoke for 20 minutes.

Major Harinder Singh, Leader of the Opposition spoke for 55 minutes, one member each from the C.P.I., S.S.P. and Treasury Benches spoke for 35 minutes, 28 minutes and 17 minutes, respectively.

Sardar Gurmit Singh, another member of the Treasury Benches, had spoken for 20 mintues and was still in possession of the House when it rose for the day.

VII. RULING ON A POINT OF ORDER

The Deputy Speaker ruled on the point of order, on which he had reserved his ruling on the 23rd February, 1970, that Rule 120 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly vested certain powers in the Speaker and when the Chair permits a member to speak from a seat other than his own under certain unavoidable circumstances, these portions of his speech shall stay put.

WALK OUT

As a protest against the Harijans in the State not getting a fair deal at the hands of the Government, the Harijan Members belonging to both the Treasury Benches and the opposition, followed by the entire opposition staged a walk-out.

The Hon'ble Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from at 11.25 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.

The Sabha then adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Wednesday, the 25th February, 1970.

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BULLETIN No. 4

Wednesday, the 25th February, 1970

(From 9·00 A.M. to 1·30 P.M.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred

Asking of Supplementaries to Starred Questions No. 1166 in the list of Starred Questions, dated the 24th February, 1970, and thereafter the list of questions for the 25th February, 1970, was taken up.

Total No. of questions on the order paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
25	14	..	3	71

The remaining Starred Questions on the order paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

(b) Unstarred

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II. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 23) given by Sardar Kirpal Singh regarding 'the agitation launched by teachers in the State in support of their demands'.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 38) given by Chaudhri Kewal Krishan regarding 'the setting up a check barrier at Talwara for sales tax purposes'.

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 43) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and others regarding 'the attitude of open aid and abetment adopted by the Government in favour of the management of Oswal spinning and Weaving Mills, Ludhiana'.

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 44) given by Sardar Kulwant Singh regarding 'the innumerable difficulties being faced by sugarcane growers in the supply of sugar-cane to the Sugar Mills'.

(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 45) given by Com. Darshan Singh Jhabal regarding 'damage caused to crops as a result of closure of canals in Amritsar District'.

(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 47) given by Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda regarding 'unnecessary delay caused in giving sanction by the Education Department to the filling of posts by the recognized private schools in the State'.

(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 49) given by Shri Gurdial Saini regarding 'the failure of the Government to construct by-pass to Ramdas Kot and way from Power House Punjab State Electricity Board to Mohalla Bashirpura in Jullundur'.

(8) Call Attention Notice (No. 50) given by Chaudhri Balbir Singh regarding, the deplorable State of affairs in the Civil Hospital, Hoshiarpur ;

were admitted and the Ministers concerned were asked to make statements thereon.

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Dharna by a Member

Shri Gurdial Saini after having read the Call Attention Notice No. 49 sat in a Dharna in front of the seat of the P.W.D. Minister in suppor t of the demands made by him in the Call Attention Notice. At the suggestion of the Speaker, the Leader of the Opposition succeeded in prevailing upon the hon. Member to give up his Dharna.

III. Statement on Call Attention Notice

The Minister for Industries laid on the Table of House a statement on Call Attention No. 5.

IV. Resumption of discussion on the Governor's Address

Sardar Gurmit Singh, member of the Treasury Benches, who was in possession of House on 24th February, 1970 when the House adjourned for the day, resuming his speech spoke for 24 minutes.

One Member each from the P.S.P., Sirdar Kapur Singh, Opposition (Congress), C.P. (M)., spoke for 20 minutes, 56 minutes (including the time taken in interruptions), 18 minutes and 22 minutes, respectively.

The Finance Minister taking part in the discussion, spoke for 15 minutes.

Personal Explanation

The Revenue Minister and the Food and Civil Supplies Minister gave personal explanations in connection with the remarks made about them by Sirdar Kapur Singh in the course of his speech.

Sardar Basant Singh, a member of the Swatantra Party, had spoken for 5 minutes and was still on his legs when the House adjourned for the day.

Sardar Shashpal Singh, a member of the Panel of Charimen, occupied the Chair from 11 ·23 a.m. to 1 ·30 p.m.

The House then adjourned till 9 ·00 A.M. on Thursday, the 26th February, 1970.

BULLETIN No. 5

Thursday, the 26t h February, 1970

(From 9 .00 A.M. to 1 .30 P.M.)

I. Oath or Affirmation by a Member

Sardar Harchand Singh from Lehra Constituency made and subscribed the Oath under Article 188 of the Constitution.

II. Questions

(a) Starred.

Total No. of Questions Answered on the orde r paper	Not Put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
25	11	..	2	55

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The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

(b) Unstarred.

Nil

III. Question of Privilege

A Question of Privilege was sought to be raised by Sardar Umrao Singh that 'Sardar Shashpal Singh a member of the panel of Chairmen, by adjourning the House at 1.30 P.M. in contravention of the decision of the hon. Speaker announced earlier had affected the Privileges of the members of the House. The Speaker did not give his consent thereto holding that the Chairman, when occupying the Chair was performing the duties of the Chair and the House was adjourned after taking the sense of the House.

IV. Ruling on a Point of Order

On a Point of Order raised in the House on the 25th February, 1970 the Speaker ruled that the Chair had the authority to direct that the words spoken by a member without his permission should not form part of the proceedings.

V. Adjournment Motion

The Speaker refused his consent to an adjournment motion on 'the Government's failure to take action against those responsible for removing the National Flags and dishonouring the statue of Mahatma Gandhi' given notice of by Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda and two other M.L.A's on the ground that an Adjournment motion could not be admitted during the Budget and also that the conduct of the Ministry could not be discussed through such a motion.

WALK OUT

The Congress (Opposition) walked out of the House by way of protest on the adjournment motion having been ruled out of order.

VI. Call Attention Notices

The following Call Attention Notices were admitted and the Ministers concerned were asked to make statements thereon :—

1. Call Attention Notice (No. 25) given notice of by Sardar Kirpal Singh, regarding the inconvenience caused to the relatives of the indoor patients of V.J. Hospital and other allied Hospitals at Amritsar due to non-provision of residential accommodation for them.

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 51) given notice of by Comrade Babu Singh and Comrade Satya Pal Dang regarding the failure of the Government in removing the disparity of sales tax on Cotton yarn in different districts.

3. Call Attention Notice (No. 55) given notice of by Chaudhri Balbir Singh, regarding the pollution of water in Gokal Nagar, Hoshiarpur rendering it not worth drinking.

4. Call Attention Notice (No. 54) given notice of by Shri Gurdial Saini was not taken up as the hon. Member concerned was not present in the House.

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VII. Personal Explanation

Sirdar Kapur Singh gave a personal explanation in connection with certain remarks made about him by the Revenue Minister while giving his personal explanation on the 25th February, 1970.

VIII. Non-Official Resolution

The Chief Minister and the Leader of the Opposition raised objection to the admissibility of the following non-official resolution given notice of by Com. Kulwant Singh:—

> "This House recommends to the Government to approach the Government of India to so amend the Constitution of India as to excluded the right to property as a Fundamental Right."

The Speaker held that the Resolution was admissible and invited attention to Rule 194 of the House, according to which at the resolution could be in the form of a declaration of opinion by the Assembly or in the form of a specific recommendation addressed to the Government and gave instances of earlier instance of such motions being admitted by the Assembly.

Sardar Kulwant Singh, C.P.I. with a few observations moved by the motion.

Two members of the C.P.I., three members of Opposition (Congress), one each of C.P.(M), P.S.P., S.S.P., and Swatantra Parties participated in the discussion speaking for 50 minutes, 19 minutes, 2 minutes, 5 minutes, 9 minutes, and 3 minutes, respectively.

Comrade Kulwant Singh (C.P.I.) who had spoken for 15 minutes and was still on his legs when the House rose for the day.

IX. Personal Explanation

Personal explanation was given by Major Harinder Singh, Leader of Opposition in connection with some remarks made about him by some members of the Treasury Benches and the Opposition Benches.

The hon. Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 1.20 P.M. to 1.30 P.M.

The House then adjourned till 9 00 A.M. on Friday, the 27th February, 1970.

BULLETIN No. 6

Friday, the 27th February, 1970

(From 9·00 a.m. to 1·30 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred

Total No. of questions on the order paper	Answered	Not Put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
25	15	2	4	65

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The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

(b) Unstarred.

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II. Call Attention Notices

The following Call Attention Notices were admitted and the Ministers concerned were asked to make statements thereon:—

(1) Call Attention (No. 54) given by Shri Gurdial Saini regarding 'the failure of the Government through Improvement Trust, Jullundur to take up the scheme for construction of roads, drainage, etc.'

(2) Call Attention (No. 57) given notice of by Com. Satya Pal Dang and others regarding 'the rendering Labour Courts infructious through a decision of the Punjab High Court.'

(3) Call Attention (No. 59) given notice of by Sardar Ravi Inder Singh and others regarding 'non absorption of the staff of the Punjab Vidhan Parishad which has been abolished.'

(4) Call Attention (No. 60) given notice of by Chaudhri Kewal Krishan regarding 'using of a building purchased by the Government for the Science Block of the Government Girls Higher Secondary School, Ropar.'

(5) Call Attention (No. 63) given notice of by Chaudhri Balbir Singh regarding 'the failure of the Daulat Industries, Ludhiana in depositing the amount of bonus and E.S.I. in accordance with the statutory provisions.'

III. Financial Business

(1) *Presentation of Supplementary Estimates—*

The Finance Minister presented the Supplementary Estimates (Second Instalment) for the year 1969-70.

(2) *Presentation of the report of the Estimates Committee*

The Chairman of the Estimates Committee presented the Report of the Committee on Estimates (Second Instalment) for the year 1969-70.

IV. Statement laid on the Table

The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid on the Table statements in reply to the Call Attention Notices No. 9 and 42.

V. Resumption of discussion on Governor's Address

Sardar Basant Singh (Swatantra Party), who was in possession of the House when it rose for the day on 26th February, 1970, resuming his speech spoke for 13 minutes.

Three members from the Opposition (Congress), five members from the Treasury Benches, one each from the Swatantra Party and S.S.P. spoke for 39 minutes, 59 minutes, 13 minutes and 15 minutes, respectively. The Chief Minister by way of reply, spoke for 1 hour and 12 minutes.

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WALK OUT

Shri Gurdial Saini and Chaudhri Jagat Ram, members of the Opposition (Congress) walked out by way of protest for not being given time to speak.

Motion of Thanks to the Governor

The motion.—That an address be presented to the Governor in the following terms :

'That the members of the Vidhan Sabha assembled in this House are deeply grateful to the Governor for the Address which he has been pleased to deliver to the House on the 19th January, 1970.'

was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Sardar Jasdev Singh Sandhu a member of the panel of Chairman, occupied the Chair from 11·55 a.m. to 11·57 a.m.

The House then adjourned till 2·00 P.M. on Monday, the 2nd March, 1970.

BULLETIN No. 7

Monday, the 2nd March, 1970

(From 2.00 p.m. to 6.10 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred—

Total No. of questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
25	14	2	5	66

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

(b) Unstarred—14

II. Personal Explanation

Shri Balram Dass Tandon gave his personal explanation on some remarks made about him by some members of the Opposition.

WALK OUT

Sirdar Kapur Singh walked out of the House, by way of protest, on not being able to catch the eye of the Speaker.

III. Adjournment Motion

The adjournment motion given notice of by Com. Babu Singh Master regarding the reconstitution of Capital Advisory Committee by the Chandigarh Administration, was disallowed.

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IV. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 65) given by Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda regarding 'the failure of the Government in removing the genuine difficulties of the traders in the State.'

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 66) given by Dr. Amir Singh regarding 'the failure of the Government in expediting the construction of the building of the Government Higher Secondary School, Tanda Urmar.'

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 68) given by Com. Kulwant Singh regarding 'the difficulties being experienced in the irrigation of crops through tubewells due to frequent failure of electricity in district Jullundur.'

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 69) given by Sardar Darshan Singh and others regarding 'the failure of the Government in accepting the demand of the teachers in the State.'

(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 71) given by Sardar Kirpal Singh regarding 'the difficulties being experienced in securing admissions in the Schools at Amritsar.'

(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 73) given by Sardar Mehtab Singh regarding 'the wrong selection of site for the purpose of building a memorial of Sardar Sham Singh Attariwala.'

were admitted and the Ministers concerned were asked to make statements thereon.

Call Attention Notice (No. 72) given by Shri Gurdial Saini was not taken up as the member concerned was not present in the House.

V. Statement laid on the Table

The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid on the Table statements in respect of Call Attention Notices Nos. 17, 23 and 25.

VI. Supplementary Estimates (Second Instalment), 1969-70

(1) Discussion on the Estimates of the Expenditure charged on the Revenue of the State

The Speaker asked the members that those who wished to raise a discussion on the charged items might do so.

No member rose to speak.

(2) Voting of the Demands for Supplementary Grants.

The demands were deemed to have been read and moved together. As per past practice, a general discussion on all the Supplementary Demands together was permitted and the members participating in the discussion were asked to mention the particular demand they were going to discuss. It was also decided to apply Guillotine at 6.00 p.m. and all the demands put to the vote of the House together.

Two members from the Treasury Benches, two from the Opposition Benches (Congress), and one each belonging to the S.S.P., C.P.I., C.P. (M)., P.S.P., and Swatantra Party participated in the discussion speaking for 22 minutes, 27 minutes, 19 minutes, 20 minutes, 11 minutes, 11 minutes, and 13 minutes, respectively.

The Finance Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 7 minutes.

The Guillotine was applied at 6.00 p.m.

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All the Demands Nos. 1-14 were put together and carried.

The hon. Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 3.51 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.

Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda, a member of the panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 4.30 p.m. to 5.47 p.m.

The House then adjourned till 9.00 *a.m. on Tuesday, the* 3rd *March,* 1970.

BULLETIN NO. 8

Tuesday, the 3rd March, 1970

(From 9.00 a.m. to 1.04 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred—

Total No. of Questions on order paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
25	11	..	1	58

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

(b) Unstarred—2

II. Question of Privilege

The Question of Privilege sought to be raised by Com. Babu Singh Master on 'the continued absence from the Budget Session of the Vidhan Sabha by Sardar Jiwan Singh Umranangal, a Minister of the Punjab Government,' was refused by the Speaker on the ground that there was no Rule under which he could enforce the presence of a Minister in the House.

III. Call Attention Notices

The following Call Attention Notices were admitted and the Ministers concerned were asked to make statements thereon :—

(1) Call Attention (No. 70) notice given by Sardar Kirpal Singh regarding 'the flagrant misuse of loud speakers at Amritsar in violation of provisions of law.'

(2) Call Attention (No. 74) notice given by Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda and other regarding 'the leakage of English Paper of 8th Class before time and its sale one day earlier to the students'.

(3) Call Attention (No. 78) notice given by Chaudhri Balbir Singh regarding 'the high handedness prevalent in the Industries Department in the matter of advancing loans etc., in the State.'

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WALK-OUT

Three members of the Opposition (Congress) staged a walk-out by way of protest when the Speaker declined to admit Call Attention No. 77 given notice of by Chaudhri Kewal Krishn.

IV. Legislative Business.

The Punjab Appropriation Bill, 1970

The Finance Minister introduced. The Punjab Appropriation Bill, 1970 and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

Three members from the Opposition (Congress), and one each from Treasury Benches, C.P.I., and S.S.P. spoke for one hour and 5 minutes, 3 minutes, 19 minutes, and 21 minutes, respectively.

The Finance Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 25 minutes.

The Guillotine was applied at 1.00 p.m.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

Clauses 2, 3 the schedule, clause 1, and the title were put and carried.

The motion moved by the Finance Minister that the Bill be passed was carried.

Sardar Shashpal Singh, a member of the panel of Chairmen, occupied of Chair at 10.50 a.m. to 12.52 p.m.

The House then adjourned to meet at 9.00 *a.m. on Wednesday, the* 4*th March,* 1970

BULLETIN NO. 9

Wednesday, the 4th March, 1970

(From 9.00 a.m. to 11.10 a.m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred—

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not Put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
25	13	..	..	78

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

(b) Unstarred—7

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WALK-OUT

Before the next item on the Order Paper i.e., the Presentation of the Budget for the year 1970-71 could be taken up, the leader of the Opposition, rising on a point of order, stated that they were staging a walk-out by way of protest on the Subordinate Services not being given any relief in the Budget in spite of repeated assurances by the Government.

The members of the Congress Party, P.S.P., S. S. P., C. P. I. and C. P. (M) then staged a walk-out.

II. Presentation of Budget for the year 1970-71

The Finance Minister presented the Budget for the year 1970-71.

The Sabha then adjourned to meet at 9.00 *a.m. on Thursday, the* 5*th March,* 1970

BULLETIN NO. 10

Thursday, the 5th March, 1970

(From 9.00 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred—

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not Put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
25	15	1	1	72

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

(b) Unstarred—9

II. Points of Order and Question of Privilege

(1) Rising on a point of order Chaudhri Balbir Singh sought to raise a Question of Privilege on the non-supply of copies of Budget speech in Hindi and English to the members by the Government. The Speaker observed that even though it did not involve a Question of Privilege he would request the Government to supply the copies of Budget speech in Hindi and English to the members who ask for it.

(2) Points of Order were raised by a number of members regarding 'the presence of Sardar Jiwan Singh Umranangal, a non-member and a stranger in the House.' The Chief Minister made a few observations. The Speaker held that so long as Jathedar Umranangal was a member of the Council of Ministers he had every right to sit in the House.

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III. Call Attention Notices

The following Call Attention Notices were admitted and the Ministers concerned were asked to make statements thereon :—

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 76) given by Com. Darshan Singh Jhabal regarding 'the failure of the Government in the fixation of minimum wages etc. for brick kilns workers.'

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 80) given by Capt. Rattan Singh and Dr. Sadhu Ram regarding 'the harassment of the wife of Dr. Sadhu Ram, M.L.A., by the police during its raid in village Madhopur, tehsil Phagwara.'

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 81) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang regarding 'an attack on the Mill workers by the hired goondas with the connivance of the police at the instance of the management of Oswal Spinning Mills, Ludhiana.'

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 82) given by Com. Babu Singh Master regarding 'the discontentment amongst the inhabitants of the Punjab at the recently constituted Advisory Committee for Chandigarh.'

(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 84) given by Vaid Kartar Singh regarding 'the Promotion of non-Harijan employees as Shop Inspectors in the labour Department infringing the rights of the Harijans.'

(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 91) given by Doctor Kewal Krishan regarding 'the stoppage of the construction of a plan road from Talwara to Mubarakpur in Talwara Block after the Central Government's decision on Chandigarh.'

(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 93) given by Sardar Pritam Singh regarding 'the damage likely to be caused to crops as a result of the construction of a bund on river Ghaggar by the Haryana Government.'

(8) Call Attention Notice (No. 94) given by Com. Babu Singh and Com. Kulwant Singh regarding 'the long delay on the part of the Government in implementing the promise to make Phul, a Sub-Division and Jaitu, Budhladha and Talwandi Sabo as Sub-Tehsils in district Bhatinda.'

IV. Statements laid on the Table

The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid on the Table Statements on Call Attention Notice Nos. 12, 14, 20, 26, 29, 38, 39, 45, 49, 50 and 55.

V. Lack of Quorum

At 12.18 p.m. there was no Quorum in the House. The Quorum bell was rung and the House was in Quorum.

VI. Point of Order

A Point of Order was raised by a few members of the Opposition that there was no Minister of Cabinet rank present in the House. The Chairman agreed to request the Government to ensure presence of at least one Minister of Cabinet rank in the House.

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VII. Legislative Business

The Punjab Industrial Employees Payment of Gratuity Bill, 1970

Com. Satya Pal Dang sought leave to introduce the Bill.

The Finance Minister opposed the motion.

Com. Satya Pal Dang made an explanatory statement speaking for 7 minutes. The Finance Minister also made a few observations opposing the introduction of the Bill.

The motion was put to the vote of the House. The opinion of the Chair having been challenged, it was put again. Again his opinion was challenged. Members were asked to rise in their places. 23 voted in favour of the motion and 48 against it.

The motion was declared lost and leave to introduce the Bill refused.

VIII. Resolutions

Resumption of discussion on the following resolution moved by Com. Kulwant Singh, M.L.A., on the 26th February, 1970 :—

"This House recommends to the Government to approach the Government of India to so amend the Constitution of India as to exclude the right to property as a Fundamental Right.

Sardar Umrao Singh, while moving the following amendment spoke for 43 minutes:

"In line three between the words "Property" and "as" the following words be inserted :—

"above the ceiling to be determined by law by the Parliament or State Legislature, as the case may be."

(*The Amendment was stated by the Chair*)

The Minister for Local Government intervening in the Dabate made a few observations.

Chaudhri Balbir Singh sought leave to move the following amendment speaking for 16 minutes.

"In line three after the word 'Property' add the following words :—

"Of the value exceeding five lakh rupees."

(*The motion was stated by the Chair*)

Three members from the Treasury Benches, Two from the Opposition (Congress) and one from the C.P.(M), spoke for 28 minutes, 20 minutes and 7 minutes respectively.

The Local Government Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 11 minutes.

Sardar Shashpal Singh, a member of the Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 11.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.

Comrade Darshan Singh, Jhabal was on his legs when the House adjourned to meet at 2.00 p.m. on the Monday, 9th March, 1970.

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BULLETIN No. 11

Monday, the 9th March, 1970

(From 9.00 a.m. to 6.30 p.m.)

1. Questions

(a) Starred—

Total No. of Questions on the order paper	Answered	Not Put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
26	15	..	6	74

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

(b) Unstarred 41

II. Announcements

By the Speaker :—

(1) Business Advisory Committee —

'Under Rule 33 (1) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly, I nominate the following members to serve on the Business Advisory Committee :—

1. The Speaker .. *Ex officio* Chairman
2. Shri Balram Dass Tandon .. Industries Minister
3. Sardar Atma Singh .. Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister
4. Sardar Balwant Singh .. Food and Supplies Minister
5. Captain Rattan Singh
6. Comrade Satya Pal Dang.'

(II) Message from the Governor

The Speaker read out the letter received from the Governor expressing his gratitude to the Vidhan Sabha for the Motion of Thanks passed by the Vidhan Sabha on the 27th February, 1970

III. Questions of Privilege

(1) Two Privilege Motions, one given notice of by Sardar Umrao Singh and the other by Chaudhri Balbir Singh regarding the reported policy statement on the proposed new taxation made by the Chief Minister outside the House when the Sabha was in Session, were disallowed by the Speaker.

(2) The Privilege Motion given notice of by Com. Satya Pal Dang, Com. Dana Ram and Chaudhri Balbir Singh regarding 'the reported decision of the Cabinet in favour of auction of evcuee land in spite of the assurance that the question whether the said land should be given to Harijans through allotment at reserve price or through auction restricted to Harijans would be discussed at a meeting of all Harijan M.L.As. and leaders of different groups in the Assembly' was disallowed by the Chair.

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IV. Call Attention Notices

The following Call Attention Notices were admitted and the Ministers concerned were asked to make statements thereon :—

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 89) given by Com. Darshan Singh Jhabal and another regarding 'acute shortage of irrigational water in a large number of villages in tehsil Patti, district Amritsar

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 101) given by Com. Kulwant Singh and others regarding 'the demolition of certian building at Anandpur Sahib without providing alternative accommodation to the affected people.'

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 103) given by Dr. Kewal Krishan regarding 'the delay in the payment of salaries to staff of Private Schools in the State due to inordinate delay in the release of grants by the Government.'

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 110) given by Shri Gurdial Saini regarding the reported attack on a bride by drunken goondas in Mohalla Mai Hiran gate, Jullundur.'

V. Obituary References

Obituary References were made to the death of Shri Mohan Lal Datta, Ex-M.L.A. by the Chief Minister, Capt. Rattan Singh (Opposition Congress), Sirdar Kapur Singh (Shiromani Akali Dal-Panj Kaunsli), Master Babu Singh (C.P.I.), Sardar Basant Singh (Swatantra), Chaudhri Radha Krishan (Agriculture Minister), Sardar Kirpal Singh (P.S.P.), and Com. Darshan Singh Jhabal (C.P.M.) The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed by all sections of the House.

The Sabha stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect of the deceased. It was decided to send a copy of the condolence resolution to the members of the bereaved family.

VI. Paper laid on the Table

The Chief Minister laid on the Table the Annual Report on the working of the Punjab Public Service Commission for the year 1967-68, as presented to the Governor together with the memorandum explaining the reasons for the non-acceptance of the advice of the Commission, as required under Article 323(2) of the Constitution.

VII. Legislative Business

The Punjab Special Powers (Press) Amendment Bill, 1970

The Chief Minister asked for leave to introduce the Punjab Special Powers (Press) Amendment Bill, Leave was granted by the House and the Chief Minister introduced the Bill.

VIII. General Discussion on the Budget

Three members each from the Opposition (Congress) and Treasury Benches participated in the discussion speaking for one hour and 13 minutes and one hour and 20 minutes respectively.

Protest Dharna by Members

Two members of the Opposition (Congress) sat on the floor of the House in Dharna, by way of protest against the reported ill-treatment meted out and excesses committed by the Police towards Harijans.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 3.58 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.

The Sabha then adjourned to meet at 9.00 a.m. on Tuesday, the 10th March, 1970

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BULLETIN No. 12

Tuesday, the 10th March, 1970

(From 9.00 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred—

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
29	13	..	..	79

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

(b) Unstarred—Nil

II. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 119) given by Com. Darshan Singh Jhabal regarding the criminal assault on a minor Harijan girl by 'goondas' at village Attar Singh Wala was admitted and the Minister concerned was asked to make a statement thereon.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 113) was not taken up as the member concerned was not present in the House.

III. Paper re-laid on the Table

The Chief Minister re-laid on the Table amendments (two Notifications) made by the Governor in the Punjab Public Service Commission (Limitation of Functions) Regulations, 1955, as required under Article 320(5) of the Constitution.

IV. General Discussion on the Budget

The House then proceeded to discuss the Budget for 1970-71.

Three members each from the Opposition (Congress) and the Treasury Benches, and one each from C.P.I., C.P. (M), and Swatantra participated in the discussion speaking for one hour and 19 minutes, 49 minutes, 35 minutes, 22 minutes and 22 minutes respectively.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 10.04 a.m. to 11.55 a.m. and Sardar Shashpal Singh, a member of the panel of Chairmen, from 11.55 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.

Sardar Gurdev Singh, a member of the Treasury Benches, who had spoken for 13 minutes and was still on his legs when the House adjourned to meet at 9.00 A.M. on the 11th March, 1970.

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BULLETIN NO. 13

Wednesday, the 11th March, 1970

(From 9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred

Asking of Starred Questions commenced with the List of Postponed Starred Questions for the 11th March, 1970.

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not Put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
27	15	2	2	59

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

(b) Unstarred—8

II. Call Attention Notices

The following Call Attention Notices were admitted and the Ministers concerned were asked to make statements thereon:—

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 117) given by Com. Babu Singh Master regarding 'the failure of the Government in taking action against Sardar Santokh Singh, Executive Engineer, Bhatinda regarding the treatement meted out by him to the public and his subordinates,'

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 121) given by Dr. Kewal Krishan regarding 'the non-appointment of adequate number of teachers in view of the increasing strength of students in the said schools,'

(3) Call Attention Notice (No.125) given by Sardar Kirpal Singh regarding 'the continued mid-term transfers of the Government school teacher etc,'

III. Report of the Business Advisory Committee

The Speaker presented the Third Report of the Business Advisory Committee.

The motion moved by the Industries Minister:—

"That this House agrees with the recommendations contained in the Third Report of the Business Advisory Committee."

was put to the vote of the House. The opinion of the Chair was challenged. The Bells were rung and the motion was again put to the vote of the House and carried.

IV. Censure Motion

A motion which sought to censure S. Jiwan Singh Umranangal, Minister of State for Labour, for not resigning even after the abolition of the Upper House was ruled out of order by the Speaker observing that it was constitutional right of Sardar Jiwan Singh Umranangal to stay as Minister for six months.

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V. No-Confidence Motion

With regard to the no-confidence motion given notice of by Comrade Satya Pal Dang (C.P.I.) expressing lack of confidence in S. Jiwan Singh Umranangal, Minister of State for Labour, the Speaker observed that it will come up for consideration before the Sabha tomorrow, the 12th March, 1970.

VI. General Discussion on the Budget (Resumption)

The House then proceeded to discuss the Budget for 1970-71.

Sardar Gurdev Singh, a member of the Treasury Benches who was in possession of the House when it adjourned on the 10th March, 1970, resuming his speech spoke for 15 minutes.

Three members from the Treasury Benches and one from the Opposition (Congress) spoke for one hour and one hour (including the time taken on the Personal Explanation) respectively.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Sardar Atma Singh, Revenue Minister, gave a Personal Explanation regarding the remarks made about him by Capt. Rattan Singh during the course of his speech and also by Sardar Darshan Singh K.P. rising on a Point of Order.

Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda, a member of the Panel of the Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 11.53 A.M. to 12.55 P.M. and Sardar Jasdev Singh, also a member of the Panel of the Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 1.20 P.M. to 1.30 P.M.

Sardar Partap Singh, a member of the Treasury Benches, was on his legs when the House rose for the day.

The House was adjourned to meet on 9.00 A.M. on Thursday, the 12th March, 1970.

BULLETIN No. 14

Thursday, the 12th March, 1970

(From 9.00 A.M. to 1.05 P.M.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred—

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
25	15	4	5	70

The remaining Starred Question on the Order Paper was deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

(b) Unstarred : Nil.

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II. Privilege Motion under Rule 269

A Question of Privilege given notice of by Chaudhri Ram Singh, Sardar Sarup Singh and Shri Tulsi Ram, M.L.As. regarding 'the Discriminatory treatment by the Government in supplying the copies of the outline of the Draft Five-Year Plan to a few M.L.As. and not to the others was ruled out of order by the Speaker, observing that it did not involve a breach of Privilege and the members who had not received the copies of the said document could get them by writing to the Department concerned.

WALK OUT

By a way of protest against the Speaker's 'refusal' to allot time for the consideration of the Draft Five-Year Plan, members belonging to the Opposition (Congress), C.P.I., C.P.I.(M), P.S.P., S.S.P. and Shriomani Akali Dal—Panj Kaunsli, led by Com. Satya Pal Dang, walked-out of the House. They however, returned after some time.

III. No-Confidence Motions under Rule 65

On the two motions of No-Confidence under Rule 65, one given notice (No. 3) by Com. Satya Pal Dang and the other (No. 4) by Sardar Umrao Singh, Sardar Santokh Singh, Sardar Sarup Singh and Chaudhri Jagat Ram expressing lack of confidence in Jathedar Jiwan Singh Umranangal, a Minister of State for Labour, the Speaker observed that Rule 65 of the Rules under which the no-confidence motions were given notice of was partly in conflict with Article 164(2) of the Constitution. He could neither permit the violation of the provisions of the Constitution nor rescind, suspend or modify the Rule. It was within the competence of the House to do so. The motion moved by the Chief Minister thereafter for the suspension of a part of Rule 65 in its application to Jathedar Jiwan Singh Umranangal was adopted by the House by voice vote, thus rendering the two no-confidence motions infructuous.

WALK OUT

By way of a protest against the move of the Government in preventing the admission of the no-confidence motions the entire Opposition, led by Major Harinder Singh, walked out of the House.

IV. Call Attention Notices

The following Call Attention Notices were admitted and the Ministers concerned were asked to make statements thereon :—

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 128) given of by Sardar Kirpal Singh regarding 'the non-appointment of an authority for the allotment of evacuee houses and plots in cities and towns in the State.'

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 130) given of by Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi regarding 'the use of unfair means by the examinees with the assistance of the teachers and in connivance of the Superintendents in the Middle School examination this year.'

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 134) given by Chaudhri Satya Dev regarding 'the great damage caused to crops in Abohar Division due to acute shortage of water.'

Call Attention Notices No. 131 and 132 could however not be taken up in the House as the members concerned were not present in the House.

V. Statements laid on the Table

The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid statements on Call Attention Notices No. 28, 37, 47, 51, 59, 60, 66, 68, 70, 78, 82 and 93.

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VI. Resolutions

Discussion on the resolution moved by Com. Kulwant Singh, M.L.A. on the 26th February, 1970 was resumed :—

Com. Darshan Singh Jhabal, who was on his legs on the 5th March, 1970, resumed his speech speaking for 12 minutes.

Thereafter, 4 members from the Treasury Benches spoke for 45 minutes and one member from the Opposition (Congress) spoke for 17 minutes.

The Closure Motion was thereafter moved by the Chief Parliamentary Secretary and carried. The member concerned, Com. Kulwant Singh, was called upon to exercise his right of reply to the discussion, but since he was not present in the House the Resolution was put to the vote of the House and lost.

The other resolutions (No. 1, 2, 3, 4) on the order paper were not moved as the members concerned were not present in the House.

The hon. Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 11.47 A.M. to 12.44 P.M. and Sardar Shashpal Singh, a member of the Panel of the Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 12.44 P.M. to 1.05 P.M.

There being no business before the House , it was adjourned to meet at 9.00 A.M. on the 13th March, 1970.

BULLETIN No. 15

Friday, the 13th March, 1970

(From 9.00 A.M. to 1.20 P.M.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred—

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
25	13	..	5	57

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

(b) Unstarred : 6

II. Call Attention Notices

The following Call Attention Notices were admitted and the Ministers concerned were asked to make statements thereon :—

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 79) given by Chaudhri Balbir Singh regarding 'the complications created by the decision given recently by the Sales Tax Tribunal'.

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(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 137) by Shri Sardari Lal Kapur.

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 138) by Com. Babu Singh Master and others.

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 139) by Com. Satya Pal Dang and Com. Babu Singh Master.

(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 140) by Vaid Kartar Singh.

III. Statements laid on the Table

The Industries Minister laid statements in reply to Call Attention Notices No. 21, 54, 69, 71, 74, 76, 80 and 84.

IV. General Discussion on the Budget

The House then proceeded to discuss the Budget for 1970-71.

Sardar Partap Singh, a member of the Treasury Benches, who was on his legs on the 11th March, 1970, resuming his speech spoke for 2 minutes.

The Chief Minister intervening in the discussion spoke for 5 minutes.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Major Harinder Singh, leader of the Opposition, gave a personal explanation regarding some remarks made about him from the Treasury Benches.

Thereafter, two members from the Treasury Benches, three from Opposition (Congress), one each from the S.S.P., and P.S.P. participating in the discussion spoke for 35 minutes, 36 minutes, 21 minutes and 20 minutes, respectively.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 10.46 a.m. to 11. 37 a.m. and Sardar Shashpal Singh, a member of the panel of the Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 11.37 a.m. to 1.20 p.m.

The House adjourned to meet at 2.00 P.M. on Monday, the 16th March, 1970.

BULLETIN No. 16

Monday, the 16th March, 1970

(From 2.00 p.m. to 6.20 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred —

Asking of Questions commenced with the List of Postponed Starred Questions for the 16th March, 1970.

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
30	20	6	4	88

(b) Unstarred : 12

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II. Question of Privilege

On the Question of Privilege sought to be raised by Sarvshri Rup Lal Sathi and Dana Ram on the editorial comments in the 'Hind Samachar', dated the 14th March, 1970 in connection with the supplementary question in relation to the reply to starred question No. 1492 laid on the Table of the House on 11th March, 1970, the Speaker observed that it definitely constituted a breach of Privilege of the House and the matter could be referred to the Privileges Committee. But, before giving his ruling, he was referring the matter to the Chairman of the Press Gallery Committee on the receipt of whose reply he would be giving his ruling.

III. Call Attention Notices

The following Call Attention Notices were admitted and the Ministers concerned were asked to make statements thereon :—

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 136) given by H.H. Nawab Iftikhar Ali Khan regarding 'grave losses to the public through alleged misappropriation of funds through serious irregularities in the Jandiali Co-operative Rural Bank in Mandi Ahmedgarh Block Samiti.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 144) given by Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda and Chaudhri Kewal Krishan regarding 'abnormal rise in the prices of raw material used for Engineering Industry'.

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 145) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and Com. Babu Singh Master regarding 'the misbehaviour of the police at Phagwara towards a prominent Istri Sabha worker of Phagwara'.

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 146) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and Com. Babu Singh Master regarding 'the failure of the Government in implementing the unanimous report of Municipal Pay Committee in its entirety.

The Call Attention Notice (No. 148) was not put as the member concerned was not present in the House.

IV. Statements laid on Table

The Revenue Minister laid on Table statements in reply to Call Attention Notices No. 63, 94 and 110.

V. Questions on Replies to Call Attention Notices

Questions were asked on replies to Call Attention Notices No. 47 and 74 and replies given thereto.

VI. Demands for Grants

The House decided that Demands Nos. 9 and 12 be moved and discussed together and voted upon separately.

Demand No. 9

The Chief Minister moved that a sum not exceeding Rs 4,36,84,900 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in course of payment for the year 1970-71 in respect of 19—General Administration.

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Demand No. 12

The Chief Minister moved that a sum not exceeding Rs 8,53,90,900 be granted to the Governor to defray the Charges that will come in course of payment for the year 1970-71 in respect of 23—Police.

All the Cut Motions in regard to these Demands were deemed to have been read and moved.

Three members from the Treasury Benches, two from Opposition (Congress) one each from C.P.I., C.P.J. (M), S.S.P. and P.S.P. spoke for 35 minutes, 37 minutes, 29 minutes, 18 minutes, 19 minutes and 12 minutes, respectively. The Chief Minister by way of reply, spoke for 30 minutes.

Demand No. 9

All the Cut Motions to this Demands were, one by one, put to the vote of the House and lost by voice vote.

The Demand was put to the vote of House and was carried.

Demand No. 12

All the Cut Motions to this Demand were, one by one, put to the vote of the House and lost by voice vote.

The Demand was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 3.55 P.M. to 5.43 P.M.

The House then adjourned to meet at 9.00 A.M. on Tuesday, the 17th March, 1970.

BULLETIN No. 17

Tuesday, the 17th March, 1970

(From 9.00 a.m. to 1.35 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred—

Asking of Starred Questions commenced with the List of postponed questions for the 17th March, 1970.

Total No. of Questions on Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
26	12	2	2	74

The remaining starred questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

(b) Unstarred : Nil

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II. Point of Order

On the Point of Order raised by Capt. Rattan Singh, Deputy leader of the Opposition (Congress), regarding the validity of expunction of some portions of the speeches of certain M.L.As., by the Chair on the ground of their being in bad taste, the Speaker observed that such portions could be expunged under the rules and there were precedents of the Lok Sabha to that effect.

III. Call Attention Notices

The following Call Attention Notices were admitted and the Ministers concerned were asked to make statements thereon :—

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 150) given by Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda regarding 'the extension of the period of the exhibition of a drama "Jag Chanan Hoya" being exhibited by the Film Division of India'.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 151) given by Com. Darshan Singh Jhabal regarding 'great resentment prevailing amongst the public due to the dangerous and delapidated condition of the buildings of a large number of Government Schools in the State'.

IV. Questions on Replies to Call Attention Notices

One question each was asked in relation to reply to each Call Attention Notices No. 65 and 110.

V. Statements on Call Attention Notices

The Irrigation and Power Minister laid on the Table of the House statements on Call Attention Notices No. 19, 43, 81 and 125.

VI. Discussion on the Demands for Grants

The House decided that Demands Nos. 26, 27, 28, 43, 44 and 50 be moved and discussed together and voted upon separately.

The Irrigation and Power Minister moved—

Demand No. 26

"That a sum not exceeding Rs. 4,28,48,500 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in course of payment for the year 1970-71 in respect of 42—Multipurpose River Schemes".

Demand No. 27

"That a sum not exceeding Rs. 5,92,35,860 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in course of payment for the year 1970-71 in respect of 43—Irrigation, Navigation, Embankment and Drainage Works (Commercial) 44—Irrigation, Navigation, Embankment and Drainage Works (Non-Commercial)".

Demand No. 28

"That a sum not exceeding Rs. 3,07,46,750 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in course of payment for the year 1970-71 in respect of charges on Irrigation Establishment".

Demand No. 43

"That a sum not exceeding Rs. 14,09,00,000 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in course of payment for the year 1970-71 in respect of 98—Capital Outlay on Multipurpose River Schemes.

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Demand No. 44

"That a sum not exceeding Rs. 3,94,24,820 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in course of payment for the year 1970-71 in respect of 99—Capital Outlay on Irrigation Navigation Embankment and Drainage Works (Commercial)".

Demand No. 50

"That a sum not exceeding Rs. 47,56,65,800 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in course of payment for the year 1970-71 in respect of loans to Local Funds Private Parties, etc., and Loans to Government Servants".

The Speaker declared that the Cut Motions in regard to these Demands be deemed to have been read and moved and be discussed alongwith the Demands. The members speaking to indicate the Demand on which they intended to speak.

Five members from Treasury Benches, three from Opposition (Congress), one each from C.P.I., Swatantra, S.S.P., and C.P.I. (M) spoke for 53 minutes, 40 minutes, 15 minutes, 15 minutes, 15 minutes and 12 minutes, respectively.

The Irrigation and Power Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 30 minutes.

All the Cut Motions to the Demands for grants were put to the vote of the House and lost.

The Demands Nos. 26, 27, 28, 43, 44 and 50 were then put to the vote of the House and carried.

EXTENSION OF TIME

At 1-15 p.m. the Speaker extended the time of the sitting by 15 minutes.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 10.25 a.m. to 11.38 a.m. and Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda, a member of the panel of the Chairman, occupied the Chair from 11.38 a.m. to 12.55 p.m.

The House then adjourned to meet at 9.00 A.M. on the 18th March, 1970.

BULLETIN No. 18

Wednesday, the 18th March, 1970

(From 9.00 a.m. to 2.10 p.m.)

1. Questions

(a) Starred—

Asking of Starred Questions commenced with the list of Postponed Starred Questions for the 18th March, 1970

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not Put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
27	16	..	..	68

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

(b) Unstarred : 4

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II. Short Adjournment and Extension of the Time of the Sitting

It was decided to adjourn the House at 10.30 a.m. for half an hour to enable the Members to pay homage to the ashes of Sardar Darshan Singh Pheruman on their reaching the precincts of the Vidhan Bhavan. It was further decided to extend the time of the sitting by half an hour up to 2.00 p.m.

III. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 153) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and Com. Babu Singh Master regarding 'the non-availability of Vanaspati Ghee in various parts of the State, was admitted and the Minister concerned was asked to make a statement thereon.

The Minister for Finance and Food Supplies gave a brief statement there and then. A question thereon was asked by the member concerned and reply given thereto by the Minister.

The following Call Attention Notices were admitted and the Minister concerned was asked to make statements thereon :—

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 154) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and Com. Babu Singh Master regarding 'the failure of the Government in getting the Punjab Industrial Tribunal Award of 1966 implemented.'

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 157) given by Shri Gurdial Saini regarding 'the failure of the Government to order the Privately-Managed Aided Schools to give the revised Pay Scales to their non-teaching staff with effect from the 1st February, 1968.'

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 161) given by Sardar Darshan Singh, K.P. regarding 'the murderous assault made by Akali Jats on a Harijan of village Dhanal, tehsil and district Jullundur.'

(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 163) given by Sardar Beant Singh regarding 'the charging of Kacha route fare by the Transport Companies plying vehicles on Pail-Ahmedgarh route when a pacca road was constructed between these two places three years back.'

IV. Statement on Call Attention Notice

The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid on the Table of the House statement on Call Attention Notice No. 138.

V. Question on reply to Call Attention Notice

A question on the statement given in reply to Call Attention Notice No. 63 was asked by the hon. Member concerned and replied to by the Minister.

VI. Demands for Grants

It was decided that Demands Nos. 22, 42, 17 and 18 be moved and discussed together and voted upon separately.

The Minister for Industries moved :

Demand No. 22

"That a sum not exceeding Rs. 2,59,65,200 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in course of payment for the year 1970-71 in respect of 35—Industries."

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Demand No. 42

"That a sum not exceeding Rs. 4,74,61,300 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in course of payment for the year 1970-71 in respect of 96—Capital Outlay on Industrial and Economic Development."

Demand No. 17

"That a sum not exceeding Rs. 5,97,37,830 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in course of payment for the year 1970-71 in respect of 29—Medical".

Demand No. 18

"That a sum not exceeding Rs. 5,78,01,670 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in course of payment for the year 1970-71 in respect of 30—Public Health."

The Speaker declared that all the Cut Motions in regard to these Demands be deemed to have been read and moved. The Cut Motions were to be discussed alongwith the Demands and voted upon separately and the members participating in the discussion to indicate the demands on which they intended to speak.

(As already decided the House adjourned at 10.30 A.M. and re-assembled at 11.00 A.M.).

Five members from the Treasury Benches, three from the Opposition (Congress), one each from C.P.I., S.S.P., P.S.P. and Swatantra spoke for 49 minutes, 40 minutes, 15 minutes, 13 minutes, 13 minutes and 7 minutes, respectively.

The State Minister for Health and the Minister for Industries by way of reply, spoke for 23 minutes and 45 minutes, respectively.

Demand Nos. 22, 42, 17 and 18

Cut Motions to these Demands were put one by one to the vote of the House and lost and the Demands were carried.

EXTENSION OF THE TIME OF THE SITTING

It was decided to extend the time of the sitting by another 15 minutes.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 10.20 A.M. to 10.30 A.M. and again from 11.00 A.M. to 12.30 P.M.

The House then adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Thursday, the 19th March, 1970.

The Speaker announed that the timings of the sitting on the 19th March, 1970 will be that Morning Sitting will be from 9.00 A.M. to 1.00 P.M. and the Afternoon Sitting from 2.30 P.M. to 6.30 P.M.

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BULLETIN No. 19

Morning Sitting

Thursday, the 19th March, 1970

(From 9.00 a. m. to 1.00 p. m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred—

Asking of Questions began with Supplementaries to Starred Questions No. 1559 in the list of Starred Questions for the 18th March, 1970, and thereafter the regular list of Starred Questions for the 19th March, 1970 (Morning Sitting) was taken up.

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
25	15	..	3	83

The remaining Starred Question on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

II. Privilege Motion under Rule 269

Leave to move the Privilege Motion given notice of by Ch. Balbir Singh regarding 'the issuance of a notification withdrawing four Districts out of the jurisdiction of Punjab University without bringing it to the notice of the Vidhan Sabha' was refused by the Speaker.

III. Call Attention Notices

The following Call Attention Notices were admitted and the Ministers concerned were asked to make statements thereon :—

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 100) given by Ch. Balbir Singh regarding 'the irregularities and misappropriations committed in the Industries Department in Jullundur District.'

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 167) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and Com. Kulwant Singh regarding 'the attack made on the office of the Jagatjit Kapra Mill Mazdoor Union by the goondas hired by the management.'

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 169) given by Bhagat Guran Dass Hans regarding 'the allotment of land to families of those servicemen of Hoshiarpur District, who were killed in the War.'

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 171) given by Ch. Kewal Krishan regarding 'the declaration by the Government affiliating all the 46 colleges in Jullundur, Amritsar, Kapurthala and Gurdaspur districts to the Guru Nanak University from June, 1970.'

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(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 168) given by Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda regarding 'a shameful and painful incident in village Attar Singh Wala, police station Dhanaula, tehsil Barnala, district Sangrur.'

The Chief Minister made a brief statement in the House.

IV. First Report of the Rules Committee

The Speaker laid on the Table the recommendations of the Rules Committee of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha, as contained in its First Report.

V. Announcement

By the Secretary :—

'I have to inform the House that the Punjab Appropriation Bill, 1970, which was passed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha during its current Session, has been assented to by the Governor.'

VI. Non-Official Resolution

Sardar Basant Singh Dakala moved the following Resolution speaking for 15 minutes :—

"This House recommends to the Government to raise suitable Memorial/ Memorials to perpetuate the memory of the late Sardar Darshan Singh Pheruman who, after a heroic struggle with life lasting not less than 74 days, laid down his precious life for securing Chandigarh for Punjab."

Ch. Balbir Singh, while moving the following amendment to the Resolution spoke for 20 minutes :—

In line two after the word "Memorial" the following be added :—

"In the form of a 20 feet high statue of Shahid Darshan Singh Pheruman in front of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha."

Sardar Kirpal Singh, while moving the following amendment to the Resolution spoke for 10 minutes.

At the end the following be added :—

"and a committee of the House consisting of representatives of all parties be constituted to advise Government about the raising of suitable memorial or memorials to honour Sardar Darshan Singh Pheruman's sacred memory."

Four members from the Opposition (Congress), Six from the Treasury Benches, one each from S.S.P., C.P.I., (M), and C.P.I. spoke for 31 minutes, 38 minutes, 7 minutes, 7 minutes and 5 minutes respectively.

Sardar Pritam Singh Samana, a member from the Treasury Benches, who had spoken for 2 minutes and was still on his legs when the House rose for the day.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 10.55 A.M. to 11.46 A.M. and Sardar Shashpal Singh, a member of the panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 11.46 A.M. to 1.00 P.M.

The House then adjourned till 2.30 p.m. for the Afternoon Sitting.

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BULLETIN No. 20

Afternoon Sitting

Thursday, the 19th March, 1970

(From 2.30 p.m. to 6.21 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred—

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not Put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
25	15	.	1	78

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

II. Report of the Business Advisory Committee

The Speaker presented the Fourth Report of the Business Advisory Committee.

Minister for Industries moved :—

"That this House agrees with the recommendations contained in the Fourth Report of the Business Advisory Committee."

Motion for adoption of the Report was put to the vote of the House. The opinion of the Chair was challenged. The Bells were rung, the motion was put again the opinion of the Chair was again challenged. The members were asked to stand in their seats, 70 voted in favour of the motion and 7 against it. The motion was declared carried.

III. Personal Explanation

Com. Satya Pal Dang gave a personal explanation in connection with the observations made by the Speaker.

IV. Demands for Grants

The House decided that Demands Nos. 3, 32, 47, 2, 4 and 5 be moved and discussed together and voted upon separately.

The Chief Minister moved :—

Demand No. 3

"That a sum not exceeding Rs. 7,70,020 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in course of payment for the year 1970-71 in respect of 11—Taxes on Vehicles."

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Demand No. 32

"That a sum not exceeding Rs. 7,46,30,740 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in course of payment for the year 1970-71 in respect of 57—Road and Water Transport Schemes."

Demand No. 47

"That a sum not exceeding Rs. 97,55,000 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in course of payment for the year 1970-71 in respect of 114—Capital Outlay on Road and Water Transport Schemes."

Demand No. 2

"That a sum not exceeding Rs. 56,94,900 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in course of payment for the year 1970-71 in respect of 10—State Excise Duties."

Demand No. 4

"That a sum not exceeding Rs. 49,46,500 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in course of payment for the year 1970-71 in respect of 12—Sales Tax."

Demand No. 5

"That a sum not exceeding Rs. 32,89,800 be granted to the Governor to defray the charges that will come in course of payment for the year 1970-71 in respect of 13—Other Taxes and Duties."

The Speaker declared that the Cut Motions in regard to the demands be deemed to have been read and moved and these may be discussed along with the Demands. The members to indicate the number of the Demand(s) on which they intended to speak. The Cut Motions and Demands were to be voted upon separately.

Three members from the Treasury Benches, two from the Opposition (Congress) one each from S.S.P., C.P.I., Swatantra Party and P.S.P. spoke for 26 minutes, 38 minutes, 15 minutes, 15 minutes, 10 minutes and 8 minutes, respectively.

The Chief Minister, by way of reply spoke for 31 minutes.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 3.53 p.m. to 6.21 p.m.

The House then adjourned to meet at 9.00 A.M. on Friday, the 20th March, 1970.

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BULLETIN No. 21

Friday, the 20th March, 1970

(From 9.00 a.m. to 1.23 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred—

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not Put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
25	13	3	5	66

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

(b) Unstarred 14.

EXTENSION OF TIME

On a suggestion being made, it was decided to apply the Guillotine at 1.00 P.M. instead of 12.00 P.M. to allow more time for the discussion of the Demands for the Grants.

WALK-OUT

The Opposition (Congress), led by Chaudhri Sunder Singh, staged a Walk-Out in protest against 'the maltreatment of Harijans at the hands of the Government and the failure of the police to afford them necessary protection.'

II. Call Attention Notices

The following Call Attention Notices were admitted and the Ministers concerned were asked to make statements thereon :—

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 158) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang and another M.L.A. regarding 'the failure of M/s Hindustan Embroidery Mill Private Ltd., Chheharta to deposit the amount of P.F. and E.S.I. contributions.'

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 159) given by Com. Babu Singh Master and two other M.L.As. regarding 'the refusal of the Government to give recognition to the Punjab Subordinate Services Federation, Chandigarh.'

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 175) given by Dr. Amir Singh Kalkat regarding 'the total lack of developmental activity in Tanda Constituency of the Punjab State.'

(4) Call Attention Notice No. 176 given by Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda and another M.L.A. regarding 'the decision of the Punjab Government to recommend fixation of price of wheat from Rs. 80 to Rs 90 per maund in the meeting of the Chief Ministers and Food Ministers.'

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III. Presentation of the Preliminary Reports of the Committee of Privileges.

(1) Sardar Jasdev Singh Sandhu, Chairman, Committee of Privileges presented :—

> "The Third Preliminary Report of the Committee of Privileges regarding the threatening behaviour of Sardar Harbhagwan Singh, Ex-M.L.A., towards Sardar Trilochan Singh Riyasti, M.L.A., in the princincts of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha."

and Sardar Umrao Singh a member of the Committee moved :—

> "That the time for presenting the Report of the Committee of Privileges be extended till the 30th September, 1970."

The motion was put and carried.

(2) Sardar Jasdev Singh Sandhu, Chairman, Committee of Privileges presented :—

> "The Preliminary Report of the Committee of Privileges relating to a news-item published in the daily 'Hind Samachar' dated the 23rd February, 1970 mentioning certain information regarding Report of the Committee of Estimates."

and moved :—

> "That the time for presenting the Report of the Committee of Privileges be extended till the 30th September, 1970.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

IV. Demands for Grants

The Speaker declared that all the Demands on the Order Paper and the Cut Motions to the Demands be deemed to have been read and moved.

It was decided that the Demands Nos. 15, 16 and 25 be discussed specifically. it was decided to apply the Guillotine at 1.00 P.M. instead of 12.00 P.M.

Four members from the Treasury Benches two from the Opposition (Congress), one each from S.S.P. C.P.(M) C.P.I. and P.S.P. spoke for 43 minutes 27 minutes, 17 minutes 14 minutes 15 minutes and 17 minutes respectively.

Sardar Surjit Singh, Minister for Education by way of reply spoke for 21 minutes.

Guillotine was applied at 1.00 P.M.

The Cut Motions to the Demands were put one by one and lost.

All the Demands on the Order Paper Nos. 15, 16, 25, 1, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 19, 20, 21, 23, 24, 29, 30, 31, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 45, 46, 48 and 49 were, one by one, put to the vote of the House and carried.

Sardar Jasdev Singh Sandhu, a member of the Panel of the Chairman, occupied the Chair from 10.30 A.M. to 12.10 P.M. and the Deputy Speaker from 12.10 P.M. to 1.23 P.M.

The House then adjourned till 2.00 P.M. on Wednesday, the 25th March, 1970.

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BULLETIN No. 22

Wednesday, the 25th March, 1970

(From 2.00 p.m. to 3.45 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred—

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
34	21	1	4	69

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

(b) Unstarred 13

II. Call Attention Notices

The following Call Attention Notices were admitted and the Ministers concerned were asked to make statements thereon :—

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 187) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang regarding 'the situation arising out of the non-payment of various compensatory allowances by the Government to Block Samitis.'

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 191) given by Ch. Balbir Singh regarding 'the failure of the Government to bring the scales of the pay of the employees of Jail Department at par with those of the employees in the Police Department.'

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 193) given by Com. Satya Pal Dang regarding 'the blocking of the houses of several Harijan families of village Shahidgarh (near Bassi Pathana in Patiala District) under order of the village Sarpanch.'

III. Statements Laid on the Table

The Chief Parliamentary Secretary laid on the Table replies to Call Attention Notices Nos. 18, 57, 103, 119, 134, and 137.

IV. Obituary References

The Chief Minister made references to the deaths of Major Amir Singh, ex-M.L.A., and Mr. Jai Pal Singh, M.P.

The following members made observations :—

(1) Major Harinder Singh (Leader of the Opposition), (2) Capt. Rattan Singh (Deputy leader of the Opposition), (3) Sirdar Kapur Singh (Shriomani Akali Dal—Panj Kaunsli), (4) Ch. Balbir Singh (S.S.P.), (5) Master Babu Singh (C.P.I.), (6) Com

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Hardit Singh Bhathal, (C.P.M.), (7) Sardar Kirpal Singh (P.S.P.), and (8) Sardar Basant Singh, Swatantra Party.

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed in the House.

The Members stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased.

It was decided to send messages of condolence to the bereaved families.

V. Presentation of Reports, etc.

(a) **The Chairman,** *ad hoc* **Committee** presented the Report of the *ad hoc* Committee appointed to enquire into the matter relating to the entry of police/outsiders in the House on the 18th March, 1968.

(b) **The Chairman, Public Accounts Committee** presented the Twenty-seventh Report of the Public Accounts Committee on the Appropriation Accounts of the Punjab Government for the years, 1964-65 and 1965-66 and the Audit Reports 1966 and 1967.

(c) **The Chairman, Public Accounts Committee** presented the Twenty-eighth Report of the Public Accounts Committee on the Appropriation Accounts of the Punjab Government for the years, 1966-67 and 1967-68 and the Audit Reports 1968 and 1969.

(d) **The Chairman, Estimates Committee** presented the Report of the Estimates Committee on the Budget Estimates for the year, 1969-70.

(e) **The Chairman, Government Assurances Committee** presented the 13th Report of the Committee on Government Assurances.

(f) **The Finance Minister** laid on the Table the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year, 1968-69 and Audit Report, 1970.

(g) **The Finance Minister** laid on the Table the Finance Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year, 1968-69.

(h) **The Finance Minister** laid on the Table the Annual Financial Statement (Budget Estimates) for the year, 1970-71 of the Punjab State Electricity Board, as required under section 61(3) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.

(i) **The Finance Minister** laid on the Table the Annual statement of Accounts of the Punjab State Electricity Board for the year, 1968-69 and the Audit Report thereon, as required under section 69(1) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948."

VI. Legislative Business

THE PUNJAB APPROPRIATION (NO.2) BILL, 1970

When called upon by the Speaker to introduce the Punjab Appropriation Bill, the Finance Minister declined to do so on the ground that he had a mandate from the party against moving the Bill.

The Chief Minister, thereupon, introduced the Bill and moved that Bill be taken into consideration at once. Objection was taken by the Opposition to the Chief Minister, instead of the Minister concerned, moving the Bill. The Speaker, however, ruled that any Minister could introduce the Bill.

The motion was then put to the vote of the House. The opinion of the Chair was challenged. The Division bells were rung and it was put again. The opinion of the Chair was challenged again. The members were asked to stand in their seats and a count was taken, 22 members voted in favour of the motion and 44 against it. The motion was declared lost.

The House was then adjourned to meet at 9.00 A.M. on the 26th March, 1970.

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BULLETIN No. 23

Thursday, the 26th March, 1970

(From 9.00 a.m. to 9.38 a.m.)

POINTS OF ORDER AND SHORT ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSE

Before any item on the Order Paper could be taken up, the Finance Minister, rising on a point of order, stated that the Punjab Ministry was faced with a very serious constitutional crisis because a majority in the House had rejected consideration of a Money Bill sought to be moved by the Chief Minister and, consequently, the Chief Minister had tendered his resignation and no Government existed at present. This was followed by raising of more points of order questioning the validity of the sitting without a leader of the House. The Speaker, however, observed that the House was validly constituted and its sitting was perfectly and rightly valid too. Finding the House very disorderly he adjourned it for half an hour.

(The House re-assembled at 9.35 A.M.)

More points of order were raised questioning the legality and propriety of holding the sitting of House. On a suggestion being made and after taking the sense of the House the Speaker decided to adjourn it till Monday, the 30th March, 1970.

The House then adjourned to meet at 2.00 P.M. on Monday, the 30th March, 1970.

BULLETIN No. 24

3rd Session

Monday, the 30th March, 1970

(From 2.00 p.m. to 7.45 p.m.)

I. Questions

(a) Starred—

Asking of questions started with the supplementaries to Starred Question No. 1761 appearing in the list of Starred Questions for the 25th March, 1970 and thereafter the lists of Postponed Questions for the 30th March, 1970 and of Starred Questions for the 26th and 30th March, 1970 were taken up.

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
62	14	..	4	74

The remaining starred questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

(b) Unstarred 17.

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II. Question of Privilege

Notice of a Privilege Motion by S. Bachan Singh Pakho regarding alleged attack on S. Umrao Singh on the 26th March, 1970 was referred to the Committee of Privileges.

III. No-Confidence Motion

The Speaker informed the House that notice of a No-Confidence Motion in the Ministry had been received from S. Umrao Singh. He asked those Members who were in favour of leave being granted to rise in their seats.

(Leave of the House was granted)

Speaker fixed two hours after the disposal of the Appropriation (No. 2) Bill for discussion of the Motion. (Subsequently the Motion, was, by leave, withdrawn).

IV. Call Attention Notices

The following Call Attention Notices were admitted and the Ministers concerned were asked to make statements thereon :—

(1) Call Attention (No. 192) given notice of by S. Kirpal Singh regarding allotment of Panchayat land by the Sarpanch and Secretary of the Panchayat of Zira, district Ferozepore.

(2) Call Attention (No. 195) by Com. Satya Pal Dang regarding refusal of Government to sanction a resolution of Municipal Committee, Bhatinda to spend Rs. 2,500 or so for erecting a statue of Shaheed Bhagat Singh.

(3) Call Attention (No. 196) by Com. Satya Pal Dang regarding forc ibly taking away and raping a Harijan minor girl of village Tajewal, district Ludhiana.

(4) Call Attention (No. 197) by Com. Satya Pal Dang regarding acute discontentment among employees of Market Committees in the State.

(5) Call Attention (No. 206) by Com. Satya Pal Dang regarding taking away of five persons by the police in Ropar and Patiala and shooting them dead.

V. Motion under Rule 15

Motion under Rule 15 for exempting the proceedings on the items of business for the day from the provisions of the Rule 'Sitting of the Assembly' indefinitely was moved and carried.

VI. Points of Order

A point of order was raised whether the motions regarding the Appropriation (No. 2) Bill of 1970 could be included in the List of Business for the day, when the Report of the Business Advisory Committee had been adopted by the House.

The Speaker ruled that the Rules of Procedure were for the convenience of the House which had power to adjust its business as it liked. All the items in the Report of the B.A.C. for the 30th March, 1970 had been included in the List of Business.

VII. Statement by ex-Minister

S. Gurnam Singh, ex-Chief Minister wanted to make a statement under Rule 62. Some members took objection to the making of the statement on the ground that the ex-Chief Minister had been defeated in the House.

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The Speaker observed that the ex Chief Minister could make a statement under Rule 62 stating the reasons for his resignation. However, as the statement proposed to be made, a copy of which had been supplied to the Speaker under Rule 62 (2), contained defamatory, offensive and undignified remarks against some persons and these persons could not even defend themselves in the House, the said statement could not be made. If a new statement limiting it to the points mentioned above was prepared and a copy supplied to the Speaker, he would permit it if it was found to be in order.

VIII. Legislative Business

1. The Punjab Special Powers (Press) Amendment Bill, 1970.

The Chief Minister stated that as there had been change in Government, it was proposed to give further consideration to the Bill. He wanted to withdraw the Bill.

(*The Bill was, by leave, withdrawn*)

2. The Punjab Urban Immovable Property Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1970.

3. The Punjab Entertainment Duty (Amendment) Bill, 1970.

4. The Punjab Entertainments Tax (Cinematograph Shows) Amendment Bill, 1970.

The Chief Minister stated that it was proposed to give further consideration to these Bills. These were not being procedeed with at present.

IX. Motion under rule 121

Motion under rule 121 for suspension of Rule 172(2) in its application to motion in respect of the Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1970, included in the list of Business for the day as moved and carried.

X. Financial Business

THE PUNJAB APPROPRIATION (No. 2) BILL, 1970

The Bill was introduced by the Finance Minister. The Finance Minister moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was carried .. House divided
55 for the motion
44 against

Clause 2 was carried.

Clause 3

One member from the opposition (Congress), one C. P. I., two S. S. P., and one P.S.P. and one Shiromani Akali Dal Panj Kaunsli spoke for 22 minutes, 40 minutes, 29 minutes, 14 minutes and 3 minutes respectively.

The clause was carried

The Schedule, Clause 1 and Title were also carried.

The Finance Minister moved that the Bill be passed.

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One Member from the opposition (Congress) spoke for 17 minutes. The Minister for Finance, by way of reply, spoke for 5 minutes. The motion was carried.

XI. Resolution for removal of Speaker

On some members asking about the notices of resolution about the removal of Speaker from the office, the Deputy Speaker informed that three such resolutions had been received. Since all these had been received after 3.00 p.m., under Rule 74, these shall be treated as delivered on the next day.

XII. Adjournment Sine Die

Motion for adjournment of the House sine die, on its rising on the 30th March, 1970, was moved and carried.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 6.35 p.m. to 7.03 p.m.

The House then adjourned sine die.

SPECIAL BULLETIN No. 1

General Discussion on Governor's Address

Discussion on the Motion of Thanks to the Governor for his Address took place on 4 days, the 23rd, 24th, 25th and 27th February, 1970 lasting for 11 hours and 12 minutes.

(Time for putting the motion and amendments to the vote of the House by the Chair is not included).

Details of the time taken by various parties/Groups		Number of Members	*Time taken*	
			Hrs.	Minutes
Treasury Benches	..	9	3	52
Opposition (Congress)	..	6	2	39
C.P.I.	..	1	0	35
C.P. (M)	..	1	0	22
Swatantra Party	..	1	0	18
S.S.P.	..	2	0	43
P.S.P.	..	1	0	20
Shiromani Akali Dal—(Panj Kaunsali)	..	1	0	56

Note.—Time taken by the Treasury Benches includes the time taken by the Finance Minister, who spoke for 15 minutes and the, Chief Minister, who spoke for one hour and 12 minutes respectively.

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General Discussion on the Budget for the year 1970-71

Discussion on the Budget for the year 1970-71 took place on 4 days, the 9th, 10th, 11th and 13th March, 1970, lasting for 11 hours and 7 minutes.

Details of time taken by various Parties/Groups	Number of Members	*Time taken*	
		Hrs.	Minutes
Treasury Benches ..	10	4	10
Opposition (Congress) ..	10	3	24
C.P.I. ..	1	0	35
C.P. (M)	1	0	22
Swatantra Party ..	1	0	22
S.S.P. ..	1	0	21
P.S.P. ..	1	0	20

Note.—Time taken by the Treasury Benches excludes the time taken by the Chief Minister, who spoke for 40 minutes and the Finance Minister who spoke for 43 minutes.

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PREFACE

The following pages contain Resume of Business transacted by the Fifth Vidhan Sabha during its Fourth Session held from the 24th to 28th July, 1970 together with the bulletins issued daily after the adjournment of each sitting of the Sabha.

It is hoped that the publication would be found useful by Members and others who may wish to know in detail what work was done each day by the Vidhan Sabha in the above mentioned Session.

Any suggestion for the further improvement of this publication in future would be very gratefully welcomed.

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PROGRAMME OBSERVED BY THE FIFTH PUNJAB VIDHAN SABHA DURING ITS FOURTH SESSION HELD FROM THE 24TH TO 28TH JULY, 1970.

24th July, 1970
(2.00 P.M. to 6.00 P.M.)

1. References to the deaths of the late—
   (a) Shri P. Govinda Menon, Union Law Minister.
   (b) Shri Mehr Chand Khanna, former Union Rehabilitation Minister.
   (c) Shri Daying Ering, Union Deputy Minister for Food and Agriculture.
   (d) Shri Hari Chand, ex-M.L.A.
   (e) Shri Dina Nath Saggar, ex-M.L.C.
2. Presentation and adoption of the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
3. Resolution by Comrade Satya Pal Dang, M.L.A., under clause 2(a) of Article 213 of the Constitution of India disapproving the Punjab Legislative Assembly (Allowances of Members) Amendment Ordinance, 1970 (Discussed alongwith the Bill on the subject)
4. The Punjab Legislative Assembly (Allowances of Members) Amendment Bill, 1970.
5. The East Punjab Ministers' Salaries (Amendment) Bill, 1970.
6. The Punjab Legislative Assembly Speaker's and Deputy Speaker's Salaries (Amendment) Bill, 1970
7. The Salaries and Allowances of Deputy Ministers', Punjab (Amendment) Bill, 1970.

25th July, 1970 .. Off-day.

26th July, 1970 .. Holiday.

27th July, 1970
(2.00 P.M. to 5.50 P.M.)

1. Statement by Shri Balram Dass Tandon, Ex-Minister, under rule 62.
2. References to the deaths of the late—
   (a) Shri Pattom Thanu Pillai, former Governor of Punjab.

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(b) Major-General Amir Chand.

3. Adjournment of the House as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased.

28th July, 1970 (9.00 A.M. to 7.37 P.M.) ..

1. Motion by Sardar Umrao Singh and eight other M.L.As. for the appointment of a Committee of the House to go into the charges and counter-charges made by Shri Balram Dass Tandon and Sardar Balwant Singh, Finance Minister (Held out of order discussion not concluded).

2. Motion under rule 16 regarding adjournment of the Assembly *sine die*.

3. Election of Deputy Speaker.

4. The Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development and Finance Corporation Bill, 1970.

5. Resumption of discussion for the appointment of a Committee of the House to go into the allegations and counter allegations made in the House (Concluded).

6. The Punjabi University (Amendment) Bill, 1970.

7. Adjournment Motion moved by Ch. Balbir Singh to discuss the imposition of some fresh restrictions on the consumption of power by the Punjab State Electricity Board.

SUMMONING AND SITTINGS OF THE VIDHAN SABHA

The Fifth Punjab Vidhan Sabha was summoned to meet for its Fourth Session in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha Hall, Vidhan Bhawan, Chandigarh, on Friday, the 24th July, 1970, by an Order of the Governor, dated the 8th July, 1970 and continued to meet till the 28th July, 1970, when it was adjourned *sine die*. It was prorogued by an Order of the Governor dated the 31st July, 1970.

During the Session, the Sabha held three sittings.

RESIGNATION/ELECTION OF DEPUTY SPEAKER

Brigadier Bikarmajit Singh Bajwa tendered his resignation from the office of the Deputy Speaker on the 24th July, 1970, and in the vacancy thus caused he was re-elected as Deputy Speaker of the Vidhan Sabha on the 28th July, 1970.

PANEL OF CHAIRMEN

On the 24th July, 1970, the Speaker nominated the following on the Panel of Chairmen under rule 13(1) :—

1. Sardar Shashpal Singh.

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2. Sardar Basant Singh Dakala.

3. Sardar Gurbanta Singh.

4. Sardar Harcharan Singh Brar.

REFERENCES

Reference to the deaths of the following was made by the Chief Minister, Leader of the Opposition, and other Members of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on the dates mentioned against each :—

Serial No.	Name of the deceased	Date on which reference was made
1	Shri P. Govinda Menon, Union Law Minister ..	24-7-70
2	Shri Mehr Chand Khanna, Former Union Rehabilitation Minister ..	24-7-70
3	Shri Daying Ering, Union Deputy Minister for Food and Agriculture ..	24-7-70
4	Shri Hari Chand, Ex-M.L.A. ..	24-7-70
5	Shri Dina Nath Saggar, Ex-M.L.C. ..	24-7-70
6	Shri Pattom Thanu Pillai, former Governor of Punjab ..	27-7-70
7	Major-General Amir Chand ..	27-7-70

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed. All the Members stood in silence for two minutes on each occasion as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased. On the 27th July, 1970, the House adjourned as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased.

Messages of condolence and sympathy on behalf of the Vidhan Sabha were sent for being conveyed to the members of the respective bereaved families as under :—

Serial No.	Name of deceased	Name of next of Kin/ Authority
1	Shri P. Govinda Menon, Union Law Minister	The Cabinet Secretary, Union Cabinet Secretariat, Government of India, New Delhi
2	Shri Mehr Chand Khanna, former Union Rehabilitation Minister ..	Ditto

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Serial No.	Name of deceased	Name of next of Kin/ Authority
3	Shri Daying Ering, Union Deputy Minister for Food and Agriculture ..	The Cabinet Secretary, Union Cabinet Secretariat Government of India, New Delhi
4	Shri Hari Chand, Ex-M.L.A. ..	The Deputy Commissioner, Hoshiarpur
5	Shri Dina Nath Saggar, Ex-M.L.C. ..	The Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana
6	Shri Pattom Thanu Pillai, former Governor of Punjab ..	The Chief Secretary to Government, Kerala, Trivandrum
7	Major-General Amir Chand ..	The Deputy Commissioner, Rohtak (Haryana)

LEGISLATION

1. The Sabha transacted Legislative Business on the 24th and 28th July, 1970 :—

It passed 6 Bills in all, *vide* Table I at pages 5-6 ***supra***.

2. No Bill remained pending.

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Serial No.	Title of the Bill	Minister Introducing	Date of Introduction	Date of Consideration	Number of Speeches								Time taken in Min					
					Treasury	Opposition (Congress)	S.S.P.	C.P.I.	C.P.I. (M)	P.S.P.	Swat.	Independent	Treasury	Opposition (Congress)	S.S.P.	C.P.I.	C.P.I. (M)	P.S
1	*The Punjab Legislative Assembly (Allowances of Members) Amendment Bill, 1970	Finance Minister	24-7-70	24-7-70	4	3	2	3	1	1	1	2	12	23	9	3	3	
2	The East Punjab Ministers' Salaries (Amendment) Bill, 1970	Finance Minister	24-7-70	24-7-70	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	
3	The Punjab Legislative Assembly Speaker's and Deputy Speaker's Salaries (Amendment) Bill, 1970	Finance Minister	24-7-70	24-7-70	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	
4	The Salaries and Allowances of Deputy Ministers, Punjab (Amendment) Bill, 1970	Finance Minister	24-7-70	24-7-70	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	
5	The Punjab Scheduled Castes, Land Development and Finance Corporation Bill, 1970	Minister for Scheduled Castes and Social Welfare	28-7-70	28-7-70	5	6	1	1	2	1	..	..	58	54	6	20	21	
6	The Punjabi University (Amendment) Bill, 1970	Education Minister	28-7-70	28-7-70	1	3	1	..	..	..	..	1	10	13	6	..	..	

*Discussed alongwith the Resolution under Article 213(2)(a) of the Constitution disapproving the Ordinance on the subjet.

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ken in Minutes				Amendment(s) Proposed						Amendment not moved/withdrawn/lost/ held out of order or redundant					Amendment(s) carried				Total time taken for disposal (in Minutes) including the time taken for stating the motion	Date of Passing
C.P.I. (M)	P.S.P.	Swat.	Independent Akali	Treasury	Opposition (Congress)	C.P.I.	P.S.P.	C.P.I. (M)	Jan Sangh	Treasury	Opposition (Congress)	C.P.I.	P.S.P.	Jan Sangh	Treasury	Opposition (Cong.)	C.P.I.	Jan Sangh		
3	7	7	9	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	88	24-7-70
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	24-7-70
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	24-7-70
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	24-7-70
21	3	..	..	5	24	12	..	..	6	1	21	10	..	6	4	3	2	..	190	28-7-70
..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	39	28-7-70

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SYNOPSIS OF BILLS PASSED BY THE PUNJAB VIDHAN SABHA DURING ITS MONSOON (4TH) SESSION, 1970

1. THE PUNJAB LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY (ALLOWANCES OF MEMBERS) AMENDMENT BILL, 1970

(Introduced and passed on 24th July, 1970)

This Bill replaces the Ordinance which was promulgated to amend the Principal Act—

(i) to increase the compensatory allowance from Rs 400 to Rs 500 per mensem and daily allowance from Rs 25 to Rs 35 with effect from 1st April, 1970 for the Legislators ;

(ii) to grant one free non-transferable pass to each Legislator in the buses of Punjab Roadways and Pepsu Road Transport Corporation without any restriction of mileage ;

(iii) to grant to each Legislator two free non-transferable 1st Class passes-one for himself and the other for his spouse to enable them to travel free at any time by any railway in India for a distance not exceeding 8,000 Kilometers in a financial year ; and

(iv) to install free telephone in Legislators' respective constituencies or at their permanent place of residence or at Chandigarh.

2. THE EAST PUNJAB MINISTERS' SALARIES (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1970

(Introduced and passed on 24th July, 1970)

This Bill replaces the Ordinance which was promulgated to amend the Principal Act so as to entitle the Ministers to the facility in the matter of installation of a telephone within their respective constituencies or at their permanent places of residences at Government expense.

3. THE PUNJAB LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY SPEAKER'S AND DEPUTY SPEAKER'S SALARIES (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1970

(Introduced and passed on 24th July, 1970)

This Bill replaces the Ordinance which was promulgated to amend the Principal Act so as to entitle the Speaker and the Deputy Speaker to the facility in the matter of installation of telephone within their respective constituencies or at the permanent places of residences at Government expense.

4. THE SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES OF DEPUTY MINISTERS, PUNJAB (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1970

(Introduced and passed on 24th July, 1970)

This Bill replaces the Ordinance which was promulgated to amend the Principal Act so as to entitle the Deputy Ministers to the facility in the matter of installation of telephone within their respective constituencies or at their permament places of residences at Government expense.

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5. THE PUNJAB SCHEDULED CASTES LAND DEVELOPMENT AND FINANCE CORPORATION BILL, 1970

(Introduced and passed on 28th July, 1970)

This Bill provides for the establishment of the Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development and Finance Corporation objective of which will be to engage itself in the task of economic uplift of the Scheduled Castes in the State by securing them Financial Assistance and Technical know-how in order to improve various occupations and professions and thereby to ameliorate their lot.

6. THE PUNJABI UNIVERSITY (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1970

(Introduced and passed on 28th July, 1970)

This Bill seeks to rectify a typographical mistake which occurred at the time of conversion of the Punjabi University (Amendment) Ordinance, 1969, into an Act.

NON-OFFICIAL RESOLUTIONS

		Total	Treasury Benches	C.P.I.	Congress
1.	Number of Notices received ..	128	5	5	118
2.	Number admitted ..	26	x	3	23
3.	Number disallowed ..	9	x	x	9
4.	Number referred back ..	3	x	x	3
5.	Number renewed ..	x	x	x	x
6.	Number of Resolutions not dealt with because of the decision that not more than first ten admissible resolutions of a Member shall be admitted during this Session ..	30	x	x	30
7.	Number of Resolutions not dealt with for want of fifteen clear days' notice ..	60	5	2	53
8.	Total number of resolutions for ballot ..	26	x	3	23
9.	Number of ballots held ..	*Nil	..	..	..
10.	Dates on which ballots held ..	*	..	..	..
11.	Dates on which business other than Government business was transacted ..	*	..	..	..

**Note.* There was no Non-official day during this short Session. No ballot was, therefore, held.

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PAPERS LAID BEFORE THE SABHA

The following papers were laid before the Sabha :—

Serial No.	By whom laid	Date on which laid	Subject
1	Finance Minister ..	24-7-70	The Punjab Ordinances Nos. 1 to 4 of 1970
2	Ditto ..	24-7-70	The Third Report and Accounts for the year 1968-69 of the Punjab Agro-Industries Corporation Limited, as required under section 619(a) of the Companies Act, 1956.
3	Ditto ..	24-7-70	The Annual Administration Report for the year 1968-69 of the Punjab State Electricity Board, Patiala, as required under Section 75(a) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.
4	Minister of State for Industries	24-7-70	The 17th Annual Report of the Punjab Financial Corporation, 1970 as required under Section 38(3) of the State Financial Corporation Act, 1951.
5	Ditto ..	24-7-70	The 3rd Annual Report of the Punjab State Industries Development Corporation Limited 1968-69 as required under Section 619-A(3) of the Companies Act, 1956.
6	Ditto ..	24-7-70	The Financial Review on the Working of the Pepsu Road Transport Corporation, Patiala during the year 1966-67 as required under Section 33(4) of the Road Transport Corporation Act, 1950.
7	Secretary ..	27-7-70	Statement showing the action taken by the Government on the resolutions passed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha during the Budget Session, 1969.

REPORT PRESENTED

Serial No.	By whom presented	Date on which presented	Subject
1	Speaker ..	24-7-70	First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.

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ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

Serial No.	Date of the motion	Date when taken up	Member(s) giving notice	Subject matter	Decision
1	24th July, 1970 ..	24th July, 1970	Chaudhri Balbir Singh	*Re.* imposition of fresh restrictions on the consumption of power in spite of the setting in of the rainy season.	Was held over. On the 27th July, 1970, the hon. Speaker declared it in order and the House granted leave for holding discussion there on. The discussion could not be held on that day due to the House having adjourned as a mark of respect to the memory of late Shri Pattom Thanu Pillai, former Governor of Punjab and Major General Amir Chand.
2	Ditto ..	Ditto	Comrades Satya Pal Dang and Dana Ram	*Re.* many defections and redefections of the Legislators of Punjab during the last two weeks.	Disallowed on the ground that it involved the conduct of the Ministry which could be discussed only on a Substantive Motion.
3	27th July, 1970 ..	27th July, 1970	Chaudhri Ram Singh	*Re.* fall in level of water in Bhakra Dam resulting in less production of electricity.	The motion being similar to the one received earlier from Ch. Balbir Singh was declared disposed of after the House granted leave to the latter and the matter was discussed on the 28th July, 1970.
4	Ditto ..	Ditto	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	*Re.* Blockade of Harijans in villages Bhari and Jahangir of District Sangrur by certain higher caste employers.	Converted and admitted as a Call Attention Notice.

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5	27th July, 1970	..	28th July, 1970	Chaudhri Balbir Singh	*Re.* imposition of fresh restrictions on the consumption of power in spite of the setting in of the rainy season.	The Speaker observed that he had received fresh notices of the adjournment motions, leave to which was granted on 27th July, 1970, but could not be taken up on that day because of the adjournment of the House immediately after the obituary references. The matter was discussed after the conclusion of the Business on the Order Paper.
6	Ditto	..	Ditto	Chaudhri Ram Singh	*Re.* fall in level of water in Bhakra Dam resulting in less production of electricity.	

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QUESTIONS OF PRIVILEGE

Serial No.	Date	Member(s) giving notice	Subject matter	REMARKS
1	24th July, 1970	.. Sirdar Kapur Singh	Regarding the inordinate delay caused by the telephone authorities in the installation of telephone in terms of the Punjab Legislative Assembly (Allowances of Members) Amendment Ordinance, 1970 at his residence at Chandigarh.	The Speaker observed that he would have the matter examined and give his ruling later.
2	Ditto	.. Chaudhri Balbir Singh	Regarding the statement issued by Sardar Gurnam Singh, Ex-Chief Minister on 21st July, 1970 asking the Governor to suspend the Vidhan Sabha.	The Speaker did not give his consent to the Question of Privilege being raised.
3	Ditto	.. Sirdar Kapur Singh	Regarding the news item published in "The Daily Prabhat" (Urdu) dated 24th July, 1970 stating that Sirdar Kapur Singh (Panj Kaunsali) will not vote, with the Opposition.	The Speaker observed that he would have the matter examined and give his ruling later.
4	27th July, 1970	.. Ditto	Regarding the defamatory comments alleged to have been made by the Editor of Daily "Jathedar" about Sirdar Kapur Singh's conduct, as a Member of the Punjab Assembly.	The Speaker held the motion in order. As no objection was taken to the Question of Privilege being raised, the matter was referred to the Committee of Privileges.

NO-CONFIDENCE MOTIONS AGAINST THE MINISTRY

The leave to move the No-Confidence Motion given notice of by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and Dana Ram, M.L.As., against the Ministry, was refused on the 24th July, 1970, as only 19 members rose in favour of leave being granted.

The leave to move another No-Confidence Motion given notice of by Shri Balram Dass Tandon, M.L.A. against the Ministry was also refused on the 24th July, 1970, as only 19 members rose in favour of leave being granted.

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OTHER MOTIONS

Serial No.	Minister/Member moving	Moved on	Discussed on	Subject matter	Decision/Remarks
1	Finance Minister ..	24th July, 1970	24th July, 1970	Agreement with the recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.	Carried
2	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	Ditto	Ditto	Disapproval of the Punjab Legislative Assembly (Allowances of Members) Amendment Ordinance, 1970, under clause 2(a) of Article 213 of the Constitution of India.	Lost
3	S. Umrao Singh ..	28th July, 1970	28th July, 1970	Motion for the Appointment of a Committee of the House to go into charges and counter charges made by Shri Balram Dass Tandon and Sardar Balwant Singh, Finance Minister.	Ruled out of order
4	Chief Minister ..	Ditto	Ditto	Motion under rule 16 regarding adjournment of the House *sine die*	Carried

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CALLING ATTENTION NOTICES UNDER RULE 73

In all 38 notices calling attention to matters of urgent public importance were received. Out of these 28 notices were admitted as detailed below in the serial order in which they were received. The rest were disallowed by the Hon'ble Speaker in his Chamber on one ground or the other. Adjournment Motion No. 4 was also converted into Call Attention Notice,—*vide* serial No. 18.

Serial No.	Call Attention Notice No.	Member/Members Calling Attention	Date	Subject matter	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	1	Dr. Amir Singh ..	24-7-70	Regarding the defective street lighting at Urmar Tanda due to non-supply of electric bulbs by the Electricity Board	Copies of the statement were received on 9th December, 1970 and sent to Members on 10th December, 1970
2	3	Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal	24-7-70	Regarding number of auctions of land held in the name of Harijans in the month of June, 1970	Copies of the statement were received on 27th January, 1971 and sent to Members on 29th January, 1971
3	4	Sardar Kirpal Singh ..	24-7-70	Regarding the loss that has been suffered by the farmers, Industrialists, Labourers, shopkeepers and traders, due to the cut in the supply of electricity for the last three months	Copies of the statement were received on 9th December, 1970 and sent to Member on 10th December, 1970
4	6	Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda	24-7-70	Regarding extraordinary cut imposed on the supply of Electricity affecting badly the Industry, trade agriculture and labour	Copies of the statement were received on 9th December, 1970 and sent to Member on 10th December, 1970
5	8	Comrade Satya Pal Dang and Com. Dana Ram	24-7-70	Regarding the failure of the Government to remove the anomalies in the implementation of the report of the Punjab Pay Commission	The Minister of State for Food and Supply laid a statement on the Table on 27th July, 1970
6	9	Comrade Satya Pal Dang and Com. Dana Ram	24-7-70	Regarding the great discontentment created among the landless agricultural workers of the State due to the failure of the Government to distribute Government Wastelands and evacuee lands to the workers and the Harijans in spite of repeated assurances to that effect	Statement not received

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7	13	Doctor Kewal Krishan	27-7-70	Regarding the announcement made by the Vice-Chancellor of the Punjabi University last month about the medium of instruction in all the Colleges affiliated to the Punjabi University	Statement not received
8	14	Chaudhri Balbir Singh	27-7-70	Regarding beating of Sathi Ajit Singh, Secretary, Haryana Sansopa by the employees of the Electricity Board at Haryana in district Hoshiarpur on the night of 22nd July, 1970	Copies of the statement were received on 31st August, 1970 and sent to Members on 31st August, 1970
9	15	Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda	27-7-70	Regarding the discontentment and resentment prevailing in commercial circles of the State due to the fact that nothing had been done so far to simplify the procedure of sales tax	Copies of the statement were received on 8th December, 1970 and sent to Members on 9th December, 1970
10	16	Giani Kundan Singh Patang	27-7-70	Regarding the location of wine-vends near the bus-stands, schools, colleges and religious places	Copies of the statement were received on 21st December, 1970 and sent to Members on 22nd December, 1970
11	18	Shri Sardari Lal Kapoor	27-7-70	Regarding the shooting of an Assistant Sub-Inspector of Police of Division No. 5, Ludhiana	Copies of the statement were received on 6th November, 1970 and sent to Members on 6th November, 1970
12	20	Comrade Kulwant Singh	27-7-70	Regarding the hunger strike resorted to by the leaders and the representatives of the Classical, Vernacular, Punjabi, Hindi, Sanskrit, Drawing and P.T.I. teachers since 6th July, 1970, in connection with their demands regarding their grades and scales of pay	Statement not received
13	21	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	27-7-70	Regarding widespread discontentment among the Harijans in the rural areas and the serious situation prevailing in these areas because of the treatment given to the landless agricultural labourers in a number of villages while demanding increased rates for transplanting paddy.	Copies of the statement were received on 2nd November, 1970 and sent to Members on 3rd November, 1970
14	23	Shri Manmohan Kalia	27-7-70	Regarding the imminent threat of agitation by the persons affected by the decision of the Punjabi University, Patiala, for switching over the medium of instruction to Punjabi only.	Statement not received

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Serial No.	Call Attention Notice No.	Member/Members Calling Attention	Date	Subject matter	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6
15	25	Chaudhri Ram Singh ..	27-7-70	Regarding the stoppage of the construction of the Hospital building at Pathankot abruptly, despite the building of a 50 bed hospital having already been sanctioned.	Copies of the statement were received on 11th August, 1970 and sent to Members on 13th August 1970.
16	27	Sardar Kirpal Singh ..	27-7-70	Regarding the unbearable situation created by the Cinema Owners propagating through loudspeakers particularly in the business premises at Amritsar.	Copies of the statement were received on 9th September, 1970. and sent to Members on 10th September, 1970.
17	30	Brigadier Bikarmajit Singh Bajwa	27-7-70	Regarding the deplorable condition of the portion of the National Highways, Kandla-Srinagar which falls in the city limits of Batala.	Statement not received
18	...	Comrade Satya Pal Dang (Adjournment Motion No. 4 converted into Call Attention Motion)	27-7-70	Relating to blockade of Harijans in villages Bhari and Jahangir of District Sangrur by certain upper caste employers.	Copies of the statement were received on 2nd November, 1970 and sent to Members on 3rd November, 1970.
19	12	Dr. Kewal Krishan ..	28-7-70	Regarding the partial treatment in the selection of J.B.T. teachers for Government Schools after the dissolution of the Subordinate Services Selection Board.	Statement not received
20	17	Dr. Kewal Krishen ..	28-7-70	Regarding the declaration of the Punjab Government about Upgradation of 48 Middle and 84 Primary Schools to High and Middle Schools.	Copies of the statement were received on 14th January, 1971. and sent to Members on 16th January, 1971.
21	26	Chaudhri Ram Singh ..	28-7-70	Regarding the building of Higher Secondary School, Pathankot.	Not taken up as the Member was not present in the House.

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22	28	Sardar Kirpal Singh	28-7-70	Regarding starting of the cinema-shows from early hours of the morning in the State in general and Amritsar in particular.	Copies of the Statement were received on 11th January, 1971. and sent to Members on 16th January, 1971.
23	29	Comrade Satya Pal Dang	28-7-70	Regarding the arrest by the police of Ojagar Singh, son of Inder Singh of village Ram Garh Jhunpian, police station Garhshanker, district Hoshiarpur on 21st July, 1970, and refusal of the police to disclose his whereabouts to his relatives.	Copies of the statement were received on 23rd October, 1970 and sent to Members on 28th October, 1970.
24	31	Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi	28-7-70	Regarding discrimination towards Harijans.	Not taken up as the Member concerned was not present in the House.
25	32	Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi	28-7-70	Regarding the use of English Language in place of Punjabi in the State.	Not taken up as the Member concerned was not present in the House.
26	33	Giani Kundan Singh Patang	28-7-70	Regarding wide differences between the Harijans and farmers.	Copies of the statement were received on 23rd October, 1970. and sent to Members on 28th October, 1970.
27	34	Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal and Jathedar Hardit Singh Bhathal	28-7-70	Regarding raid of the house of Sardar Gura Singh, Mazhbi Sikh, village Kala, Tehsil Tarn Taran, District Amritsar by Shri Narinder Sehgal, A.S.I. and party.	Copies of the statement were received on 31st August, 1970, and sent to Members on 31st August, 1970
28	35	Comrades Satya Pal Dang and Babu Singh Master	28-7-70	Regarding the acute discontentment prevalent amongst the working class in the State because of the low wage level.	Copies of the statement were received on 2nd November, 1970. and sent to Members on 3rd November, 1970.
29	36	Comrades Satya Pal Dang and Babu Singh Master	28-7-70	Regarding the acute discontentment prevailing amongst college teachers in the State due to lack of security of service.	Copies of the statement not received

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF SPEECHES MADE AND TIME TAKEN—JULY, SESSION, 1970

Number of speeches made by											Time taken by																	
Treasury Benches Members (excluding Ministers)	Ministers	Congress	Gurnam Singh Akali Dal	C.P.I.	C.P.I. (M)	Swatantra	P.S.P.	S.S.P.	Panj-Kaunsali Akali Dal	Jan Sangh	Treasury Benches Members (excluding Ministers)		Ministers		Congress		Gurnam Singh Akali Dal		C.P.I.		C.P.I. (M)		Swatantra		P.S.P.		S.S.P.		Panj-Kaunsali Akali Dal		Jan Sangh	
2	8	17	4	7	5	4	6	7	4	3	H	M	H	M	H	M	H	M	H	M	H	M	H	M	H	M	H	M	H	M	H	M
											0	20	0	58	2	25	0	21	1	05	0	20	0	14	0	29	0	46	0	18	0	8
2·98	11·94	25·57	5·97	10·44	7·46	5·97	8·95	10·45	5·97	6.00	4·50		13·05		32·00		4·72		14·63		4·50		3·15		6·53		10·58		4·54		1·80	
per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent		per cent		per cent		per cent		per cent		per cent		per cent		per cent		per cent		per cent		per cent	

Note.—(1) Observations/statements/Rulings, etc. by the Chair and the time taken thereon are not included in the above statement.

(2) Question Hour has been excluded from the statement.

(3) Time taken on divisions, Adjournment Motions, Call Attention Motions, Privilege Motions Points of Order, Motions in respect of Legislation, Personal explanations etc., is also excluded from the statement.

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FIGURES RELATING TO QUESTIONS

1.	Total number of sittings of the Sabha ..	3
2.	Total number of questions (Starred and Unstarred) received ..	232
3.	Number of Short Notice Questions received ..	1
4.	Total number of sittings at which the Question Hour was dispensed with ..	..
5.	Number of Members from whom notices were received ..	15
6.	Total number of questions to which oral answers were given ..	26
7.	Largest number of questions orally answered on any one day ..	11
8.	Least number of questions orally answered on any one day ..	7
9.	Total number of Starred Questions converted into Unstarred Questions ..	35
10.	Total number of Unstarred Questions replied to ..	22
11.	Largest number of questions addressed to any one Minister (Chief Minister) ..	19
12.	Largest number of questions orally answered by any one Minister (Chief Minister)	14
13.	Total number of statements supplied to the Members in reply to their questions ..	9

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QUESTIONS

Statement

Questions	Number of notices received	Number admitted	Number disallowed/ referred back	Number not put	Number answered	Number deemed to have been answered under Rule 45	Number of Supplementaries put	Remarks
Starred ..	154 (Including one renewed Starred Question)	112 (including one renewed Starred Question)	42	..	26 (Treasury .. .. ; Opposition .. 22 ; S.S.P. .. 2 ; P.S.P. .. 2)	16 (Treasury .. .. ; Opposition .. 15 ; S.S.P. .. 1)	251	1. 35 Starred Questions could not be included in any list of Questions. 2. 35 Starred Questions were converted into Unstarred Questions and included in the Supplementary list of Unstarred Questions for the 28th July, 1970.
Unstarred ..	78 (including one renewed Unstarred Question)	64 (including one renewed Unstarred Question)	14	..	22 (Treasury .. .. ; Opposition .. 18 ; P.S.P. .. 4)	..	..	1. 42 Unstarred Questions could not be included in any list of Questions.
Short Notice	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1. Reply in respect of this Short Notice Question was not received from the Government till the end of the Session.

STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS ANSWERED DATE-WISE

Date	Treasury	Opposition	C.P.I.	C.P.I.(M)	S.S.P.	P.S.P.	Total
24th July, 1970 ..	..	6	..	..	2	..	8
27th July, 1970 ..	..	9	..	..	..	2	11
28th July, 1970 ..	..	7	..	..	..	..	7
Total ..	..	22	..	.	2	2	26

STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS DEEMED TO HAVE BEEN ANSWERED UNDER RULE 45 DATE-WISE

Date	Treasury	Opposition	C.P.I.	C.P.I.(M)	S.S.P.	P.S.P.	Total
24th July, 1970 ..	..	10	..	..	..	..	10
27th July, 1970 ..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2
28th July, 1970 ..	..	3	..	..	..	1	4
Total ..	..	15	..	..	..	1	16

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STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS IN THE NAMES OF DIFFERENT MINISTERS DATE-WISE

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Date	Chief Minister	Irrigation and Power Minister	Finance Minister	Education Minister	Agriculture Minister	Minister of State for Rehabilitation, Consolidation and Welfare	Minister of State for Irrigation and Elections	Minister of State for Jails and Transport	Minister of State for Community Development and Panchayati Raj	Minister of State for Industries and Health	Total
24th July, 1970 ..	10	2	..	1	1	1	1	..	1	1	18
27th July, 1970 ..	4	4	1	2	2	..	..	1	..	1	15
28th July, 1970 ..	5	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	9
Total ..	19	7	1	5	3	1	1	1	1	3	42

WALK-OUT(s)

Date	Member(s) walking-out	Occassion
27th July, 1970	.. Members of the Jan Sangh Party	In protest against the Speaker not giving adequate time to an outgoing Minister Shri Balram Dass Tandon to make statement under Rule 62
28th July, 1970	.. Members of the Opposition present in the House	In protest against the Speaker not agreeing with the suggestion of the Leader of the House to nominate a Committee of the House to go into the charges and counter charges of corruption levelled on the floor of the House.

UNPARLIAMENTARY/UNDESIRABLE EXPRESSIONS

Expression		Date
ਨਾਲਾਇਕ ਨਾ ਅਹਿਲ	(When used with reference to a Member)	27th July, 1970

RULINGS BY THE SPEAKER

Ruling given by the Speaker on the 28th July, 1970, regarding Motion received from nine Members of the House for the nomination of a Committee of the House to go into the charges and counter-charges levelled by Shri Balram Dass Tandon and Sardar Balwant Singh, Finance Minister, against each other.

"This Motion is not clearly and precisely worded. Firstly, it does not mention the date by which Shri Tandon and Sardar Balwant Singh should give the cases in writing. Secondly, it has been mentioned in the motion that the House directs that they should be asked to give in writing cases of corruption. The Motion does not clearly state the name of the person or the institution to whom the direction is meant to be given. Thirdly, it also does not state to whom should they submit the cases in writing. The second part of the motion is contingent, and in fact inoperative unless and until cases of corruption are given in writing.

As for the legal aspect of the motion, I am doubtful if it is proper for such a direction being given to members. Anyway, I tried to find out within the short time at my disposal if there had been any precedent of this type in the Lok Sabha or in any other State Legislature. I am sorry I have not been able to lay my hands on such a precedent so far.

As regards the constitution of the *ad hoc* Committee to go into the charges and counter-charges of corruption, even with regard to this I have not been able to find out any precedent. Anyway, it is for the House to adopt such course as it thinks fit. Even if such a Committee were desired to be constituted, it would be proper

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if a regular motion incorporating the names of the Members who should be on the Committee, its terms of reference and the date by which it is expected to make a report to the House, is brought before the House.

As for the present motion, no doubt the object is laudable, but the motion being vaguely worded is inadmissible.

OBSERVATIONS BY THE SPEAKER

Observations made by the Speaker on the 28th July, 1970 regarding the nomination of a Committee to go into the charges and counter-charges levelled inside the House by the Members against each other.

I would request the hon. Members to find some permanent remedy for it. They should constitute a statutory body or appoint some Judge of the High Court or establish a Commission on permanent basis which would go into all these cases because the charges and counter-charges of corruption will continue to be levelled against each other.

The House can exercise its supremacy within the provisions of the Constitution and not beyond the Constitution.

POINT OF ORDER AND DECISION THEREON

Whether a speech can be made or counter-charges levelled while giving a personal explanation.

It was held that, as provided under the rules, no speech or debate shall be allowed. The Member concerned can refute the charges levelled against him but he cannot level counter-charges.

(On 27th July, 1970, Shri Balram Dass Tandon, an outgoing Minister, had made a statement in the House. In this statement, he levelled certain charges against his former colleagues in the Cabinet. In reply thereto, Sardar Balwant Singh, Finance Minister, made counter allegations against Shri Balram Dass Tandon next day, viz., 28th July, 1970. Shri Balram Dass Tandon, while making his personal explanation tried to make a lengthy speech levelling a number of counter charges against his former Cabinet colleagues. In response to a number of Points of Order, the Chair ruled as above).

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APPENDIX

(FIFTH PUNJAB VIDHAN SABHA—FOURTH SESSION)

July, 1970 Session

BULLETIN NO. 1

Friday, the 24th July, 1970

(From 2.00 P.M. to 6.00 P.M.)

I. Questions

(a) *Starred.*

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	No. of Supplementaries
18	8	..	..	75

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

(b) *Unstarred*—18.

II. Resignation of Deputy Speaker

Brigadier Bikramajit Singh Bajwa, Deputy Speaker, submitted his resignation as required under article 179(b) of the Constitution to the hon. Speaker who read out the contents thereof in the House. Before vacating his seat as Deputy Speaker, he expressed his thanks to all the members of the House belonging to various parties for the co-operation he received at their hands during the period he held the office of the Deputy Speaker. The hon. Speaker also expressed his appreciation for the co-operation he received from Shri Bajwa during his term of office as Deputy Speaker.

III. Privilege Motion

(1) On the Question of Privilege sought to be raised by Sirdar Kapur Singh regarding the inordinate delay in the installation of telephone in terms of the Punjab Legislative Assembly (Allowance of Members) Amendment Ordinance, 1970, at his residence at Chandigarh caused by the telephone authorities, the Speaker observed that he would have the matter examined and give his ruling later.

(2) On the question of privilege sought to be raised by Chaudhri Balbir Singh regarding the statement issued by Sardar Gurnam Singh, ex-Chief Minister on 21st July, 1970 asking the Governor to suspend Vidhan Sabha, the Speaker did not give his consent for referring the matter to the Committee of Privileges on the ground that no breach of privilege was involved.

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(3) On the question of privilege sought to be raised by Sirdar Kapur Singh with regard to a news item published in the Daily 'Prabhat', dated the 24th July, 1970, the Speaker observed that he would have the matter examined and give his ruling later.

IV. Adjournment Motion

(1) Adjournment Motion (No. 1) given notice of by Chaudhri Balbir Singh regarding the imposition of fresh restrictions on the consumption of power inspite of rainy season having already set in, was held over by the Speaker.

(2) Adjournment Motion (No. 2) given notice of by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and Comrade Dana Ram regarding many defections and redefections of the legislators of Punjab having taken place during the last two weeks was disallowed on the ground that it involved the conduct of the Ministry which could be discussed only on a substantive motion.

V. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 1) given by Dr. Amir Singh regarding the defective street lighting at Urmar Tanda due to non-supply of electric bulbs by the Electricity Board was admitted.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 3) given by Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabbal regarding number of auctions of land held in the name of Harijans in the month of June, 1970 was admitted.

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 4) given by Sardar Kirpal Singh regarding the loss that has been suffered by the farmers, Industrialists, Labourers, Shopkeepers, and Traders due to the cut in the supply of Electricity for the last three months was admitted.

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 6) given by Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda regarding extraordinary cut imposed on the supply of Electricity effecting badly the Industry, Trade Agriculture and Labour, was admitted.

(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 8) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and Comrade Dana Ram regarding the failure of the Government to remove the anomalies in the implementation of the report of the Punjab Pay Commission, was admitted.

(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 9) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and Comrade Dana Ram regarding the great discontentment created among the landless agricultural workers of the State due to the failure of the Government to distribute Government waste lands and evacuee lands to the workers and the Harijans in spite of repeated assurances to that effect, was admitted.

VI. Announcement by the Secretary

"I have to inform the House that the Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill 1970 (Bill No. 8-PLA of 1970) which was passed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha during its last (Budget) Session, 1970, has since been assented to by the Governor."

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VII. No-Confidence Motions

1. Comrade Satya Pal Dang and Comrade Dana Ram had given notice of the following No-Confidence Motion under rule 65 of the Rules of procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly.

> "The House expresses its lack of confidence in the Council of Ministers headed by Shri Parkash Singh Badal".

The Speaker read out the motion and requested those members, who were in favour of leave being granted, to rise in their places. As only 19 members rose in favour, being less than one fifth of the strength of the members required for the leave being granted, the leave was refused.

2. Shri Balram Dass Tandon had given notice of the following No-Confidence Motion under Rule 65 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly, —

> "This House expresses its lack of confidence in the Government headed by Shri P. S. Badal."

The Speaker read out the motion and requested those members, who were in favour of leave being granted, to rise in their places. As only 19 members rose in favour , being less than one-fifth of the strength of the members required for the leave being granted, the leave was refused.

VIII. Announcement by the Speaker

Panel of Chairmen

1. Sardar Shashpal Singh
2. Sardar Basant Singh Dakala
3. Sardar Gurbanta Singh
4. Sardar Harcharan Singh Brar

IX. Obituary References.

The Chief Minister made references to the deaths of the late :—

(1) Shri P. Govinda Menon, Former Union Law Minister,

(2) Shri Mehr Chand Khanna, Former Union Rehabilitation Minister,

(3) Shri Daying Ering, Former Union Deputy Minister for Food and Agriculture.

(4) Shri Hari Chand, Ex-M.L.A.

(5) Shri Dina Nath Saggar, ex-M.L.A.

and moved that messages of condolence be sent to the bereaved families of the deceased.

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The following members made observations :—

(1) Capt. Rattan Singh

(2) Chaudhri Balbir Singh

(3) Comrade Babu Singh

(4) Shri Balram Dass Tandon

(5) Sardar Basant Singh Dakala

(6) Sardar Kirpal Singh

(7) Sardar Hardit Singh Bhathal

(8) Sardar Gurnam Singh

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed in the House.

The House stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased.

It was decided to send messages of condolence to the bereaved families.

X. Business Advisory Committee

The Speaker presented the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee. The motion moved by the Finance Minister that this House agrees with the recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committe was carried.

XI. Papers laid on the Table

(1) Minister for Finance	..	Laid on the Table the Punjab Ordinances No. 1 to 4 of 1970
(2) Minister for Finance	..	Laid on the Table Third Report and Accounts for the year 1968-69 of the Punjab Agro-Industries Corporation Limited, as required under section 619 (a) of the Companies Act, 1956
(3) Minister for Finance	..	Laid on the Table the Annual Administration Report for the year 1968-69 of the Punjab State Electricity Board, Patiala as required under Section '75 (a)' of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.
(4) State Minister for Industries		Laid on the Table the 17th Annual Report of the Punjab Financial Corporation, 1970 as required under Section 38 (3) of the State Financial Corporations Act, 1951
(5) State Minister for Industries		Laid on the Table the 3rd Annual Report of the Punjab State Industries Development Corporation Limited, 1968-69 as required under section 619-A (3) of the Companies Act, 1956.

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State Minister for Industries — Laid on the Table the Financial Review on the working of the Pepsu Road Transport Corporation, Patiala during the year 1966-67 as required under section 33 (4) of the Road Transport Corporation Act, 1950.

XI. Resolution under Clause 2 (a) of Article 213 of the Constitution of India and Legislative Business

Comrade Satya Pal Dang Moved: — "that this House disapproves the Punjab Legislative Assembly (Allowances of Members) Amendment Ordinance, 1970 (Punjab Ordinance No. 1 of 1970)."

The House decided to discuss both the resolutions moved by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and the consideration motion of the Punjab Legislative Assembly (Allowances of Members) Amendment Bill, 1970 together and also decided that both the items would be voted seperately. The Finance Minister thereupon also moved :—

"that the Punjab Legislative Assembly (Allowances of Members) Amendment Bill be taken into consideration."

Three members from the Congress, one each from Panj Kaunsali Akali Dal, S. S. P., Swatantra Party, C. P. (M) and P. S. P. took part in the discussion and spoke for 20 minutes, 8 minutes, 8 minutes, 7 minutes, 3 minutes and 7 minutes respectively. The Finance Minister by way of reply spoke for 7 minutes.

The resolution was first put to the vote of the House and lost. Thereupon the motion that the Bill be taken into consideration at once was put and carried The Bill was thereupon considered clause by clause.

Clause 2

Amendment moved by Sardar Umrao Singh was carried and clause 2, as amended, was carried.

The remaining clauses of the Bill were carried and the Bill, as amended, was passed.

2. The East Punjab Ministers, Salaries (Amendment) Bill, 1970.

The Finance Minister introduced and also moved :—

"that the East Punjab Ministers' Salaries (Amendment) Bill be taken into consideration at once."

The motion was put and carried.

All the clauses of the bill were put and carried and the bill was passed.

3. The Punjab Legislative Assembly Speaker's and Deputy Speaker's Salaries (Amendment) Bill, 1970.

The Finance Minister introduced and also moved :

"that the Punjab Legislative Assembly Speaker's and Deputy Speaker's Salaries (Amendment) Bill, be taken into consideration at once."

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The motion was put and carried.

All the clauses of the bill were put and carried and the bill was passed.

4. The Salaries and Allowances of Deputy Ministers, Punjab (Amendment) Bill, 1970.

The Finance Minister introduced and also moved :—

"that the Salaries and Allowances of Deputy Ministers, Punjab (Amendment) Bill be taken into consideration at once."

The motion was put and carried.

All the clauses of the bill were put and carried and the bill was passed.

Sardar Shashpal Singh, a member of the Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 4.02 p.m. to 5.20 p.m.

The Sabha then adjourned till 2.00 p.m., on Monday, the 27th July, 1970.

BULLETIN No. 2

Monday, the 27th July, 1970

From 2.00 p.m. to 5.50 p.m.)

I. Questions

(*a*) *Starred*

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	Number of Supplementaries
15	11	2	..	73

The remaining starred questions on the order paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

(b) *Unstarred* .. 4

II. Privilege Motion.

Privilege Motion (No. 4) given notice of by Sirdar Kapur Singh about the remarks alleged to have been made by the editor of Daily, "Jathedar" about his (Sirdar Kapur Singh) conduct in the Punjab Assembly, the Speaker held the motion in order and referred the matter to the Privileges Committee.

III. Adjournment Motions

The Adjournment Motion given notice of by Chaudhri Balbir Singh on the 24th July, 1970 regarding the imposition of fresh restrictions on the consumption

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power was held over on that day. The Speaker gave his consent to the moving the adjournment Motion (No. 1) given notice of by Chaudhri Balbir Singh on 24th July, 1970 and observed that the discussion would also dispose of a similar motion of Chaudhri Ram Singh.

Chaudhri Balbir Singh thereupon read out the motion.

The leave to move the adjournment motion (No. 1) was granted by the House and it was decided that the discussion would take place at 6.30 p.m. or if the business on the list for the day concluded earlier, then at the conclusion of such business.

IV. Call Attention Notices

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 13) given by Doctor Kewal Krishan regarding the announcement made by the Vice-chancellor of the Punjabi University last month about the medium of instruction in all the Colleges affiliated to the Punjabi University, was admitted.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 14) given by Chaudhri Balbir Singh regarding beating of Sathi Ajit Singh, Secretary , Haryana Sansopa by the employees of the Electricity Board at Haryana in district Hoshiarpur on the night of 22nd July, 1970 was admitted.

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 15) given by Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda, regarding the discontentment and resentment prevailing in commercial circle of the State due to the fact that nothing had been done so far to simplify the procedure of sales tax, was admitted.

(4) Call Attention Notice (No. 16) given by Giani Kundan Singh Patang regarding the location of wine-vends near the Bus Stand, Schools, Colleges and Religious places, was admitted.

(5) Call Attention Notice (No. 18) given by Shri Sardari Lal Kapoor regarding the shooting of an Assistant Sub-Inspector of Police of Division No. 5 Ludhiana, was admitted.

(6) Call Attention Notice (No. 20) given by Comrade Kulwant Singh regarding the hunger strike resorted to by the leaders and the representatives of the Classical, Vernacular, Punjabi, Hindi, Sanskrit, Drawing and P.T.I. teachers since 6th July, 1970 in connection with their demands regarding their grades and scales of pay, was admitted.

(7) Call Attention Notice (No. 21) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang regarding widespread discontentment among the Harijans in the rural areas and the serious situation prevailing in these areas because of the treatment given to the landless agricultural labourers in a number of villages while demanding increased rates for transplanting paddy, was admitted.

(8) Call Attention Notice (No. 23) given by Shri Manmohan Kalia regarding the imminent threat of agitation by the persons affected by the decision of Punjabi University, Patiala for switching over the medium of instruction to Punjabi only, was admitted.

(9) Call Attention Notice (No. 25) given by Chaudhri Ram Singh regarding the stoppage of the construction of Hospital building at Pathankot abruptly.

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despite the building of a 50-bed hospital having already been sanctioned, admitted.

(10) Call Attention Notice (No. 27) given by Sardar Kirpal Singh regarding the unbearable situation created by the Cinema Owners propagating through loudspeakers particularly in the business premises at Amritsar, was admitted.

(11) Call Attention Notice (No. 30) given by Brigadier Bikarmajit Singh Bajwa regarding the deplorable condition of the portion of the National High ways, Kandla-Srinagar which falls in the city limits of Batala, was admitted.

(12) Adjournment Notice No. (4) given notice of by Comrade Satya Pal Dang relating to blockade of Harijans in village Bhari and Jahangir of District Sangrur by certain upper caste employers was converted into Call Attention Notice and admitted.

The Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect of these admitted Call Attention Notices.

V. Statement laid on the Table

The State Minister for Food and Supplies laid statement about the reply to Call Attention Notice No. 8 on the Table of the House.

VI. Replies to the Call Attention Notices

It was brought to the notice of the Speaker that replies to admitted Call Attention Notices were not received from the Government in time and that in certain cases a period of more than a year or so was taken by the Government in supplying the replies. The Speaker assured the House that he would check up with the Government and see that the replies are received well in time and that no delay whatsoever was caused.

VII. Announcement by the Secretary

"Sir, I beg to lay on the Table of the House a Statement showing the action taken by the Government on the resolution passed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha during the Budget Session, 1969".

VIII. Statement by Shri Balram Dass Tandon, Ex-Minister

When Shri Balram Dass Tandon, Ex-Minister rose to make a statement under Rule 62 of the Rules of Procedure and conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly, Points of Order were raised by some Members to the effect that he could not make the personal statement, which were ruled out of order by the Speaker. Shri Tandon was in possession of the House from 3.35 P.M. to 5·04 P.M. This time includes about half an hour taken in interruptions. At 5.04 P.M. the Speaker asked Shri Tandon to wind up and resume his seat. On this Shri Tandon stated that since he had not been given adequate time, he was staging a walk-out. Other members of Jan Sangh followed suit. Thereafter, the Finance Minister (Sardar Balwant Singh) spoke for 20 minutes by way of reply.

IX. Obituary References

The Irrigation and Power Minister made reference to the death of the late Shri Pattam Thanu Pillai, former Governor of Punjab and Major General Amir

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[illegible]hand and moved that messages of condolence be sent to the bereaved families of the deceased.

The following members made observations :—

(1) Major Harinder Singh.

(2) Sardar Gurnam Singh.

(3) Sirdar Kapur Singh.

(4) Shri Balbir Singh.

(5) Comrade Babu Singh.

(6) Sardar Basant Singh Dakala.

(7) Sardar Hardit Singh Bhathal.

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed in the House.

The House stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased.

It was decided to send messages of condolence to the bereaved families.

The Sabha then adjourned, as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased, till 9.00 A.M. on Tuesday, the 28th July, 1970.

(It was decided to take up the pending business fixed for the day on the next day).

BULLETIN NO. 3

Tuesday, the 28th July, 1970
(From 9.00 A.M. to 7.37 P. M.)

I. Questions

(a) *Starred*—

Total number of questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Postponed	Not put	Number of Supplementaries
9	7	..	..	103

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 45 of the Rules.

(b) *Unstarred* .. Nil.

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II. Adjournment Motion

The ruling of the Speaker for leave to move adjournment motion No. 1 given notice of by Chaudhri Balbir Singh was held over on 24th July, 1970. The Speaker gave his consent to the moving of the adjournment motion on the 27th July, 1970. On 27th July, 1970 the House adjourned immediately after obituary references to the sad demise of the late Shri Pattam Thanu Pillai, former Governor of Punjab and Major General Amir Chand and it was decided that the remaining business would be taken up on the 28th July, 1970.

On the 28th July, 1970, Chaudhri Balbir Singh gave fresh notice of the same Adjournment Motion (No. 6). The Speaker, after taking the sense of the House, decided that the adjournment motion will be discussed after the conclusion of business of the day.

III. Call Attention Notices

1. Call Attention Notice (No. 12) given by Dr. Kewal Krishan regarding the partial treatment in the selection of J.B.T. teachers for Government Schools after the dissolution of the Subordinate Services Selection Board was admitted.

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 17) given by Dr. Kewal Krishen regarding the declaration of the Punjab Government about upgradation of 48 middle and 84 Primary Schools to High and Middle Schools, was admitted.

3. Call Attention Notice (No. 26) given by Chaudhri Ram Singh regarding the building of Higher Secondary School, Pathankot, was not taken up, as the member concerned was not present in the House.

4. Call Attention Notice (No. 28) given by Sardar Kirpal Singh regarding the starting of the cinema-shows from early hours of the morning in the State in general and Amritsar in particular, was admitted.

5. Call Attention Notice (No. 29) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang regarding the arrest by the police of Ujagar Singh, son of Inder Singh of village Ram Garh Jhungian, P.S. Garhshanker, district Hoshiarpur on 21st July, 1970, and refusal of the police to disclose his whereabouts to his relatives, was admitted.

6. Call Attention Notice (No. 31) given by Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi regarding discrimination towards Harijans, was not taken up as the member concerned was not present in the House.

7. Call Attention Notice (No. 32) given by Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi regarding the use of English language in place of Punjabi in the State, was not taken up as the member concerned was not present in the House.

8. Call Attention Notice (No. 33) given by Giani Kundan Singh Patang regarding wide differences between the Harijans and farmers, was admitted.

9. Call Attention Notice (No. 34) given by Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal and Jathedar Hardit Singh Bhathal regarding raid of the House of Sardar Gura Singh, Mazhbi Sikh, village Kala, tehsil Taran Taran, district Amritsar by Shri Narinder Sehgal, A.S.I., and party was admitted.

10. Call Attention Notice (No. 35) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and Comrade Babu Singh Master regarding the acute discontentment prevalent amongst the working class in the State because of the Low-Wage level, was admitted.

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11. Call Attention Notice (No. 36) given by Comrade Satya Pal Dang and Comrade Babu Singh Master regarding the acute discontentment prevailing amongst college teachers in the State due to lack of security of service, was admitted.

The Ministers concerned were asked to make statements in respect of these admitted Call Attention Notices.

IV. Motion for appointment of a Committee of the House

The Speaker informed the House that he had received notice of the following motion signed by Sardar Umrao Singh and eight other Members :—

> "Notwithstanding anything contained in the Rules with regard to the rules relating to the notice etc., the House directs Shri Balram Dass Tandon and Sardar Balwant Singh to give in writing cases of corruption referred to by them in the Government and even at the cabinet level.
>
> Also the House authorises the Speaker to nominate a Committee of the House to go into these charges and counter charges".

The Speaker held that the motion was not in order as it was not clearly and precisely worded. Thereupon, a lengthy discussion took place during the course of which several members suggested that the House should authorise the Speaker to appoint a Committee of the Members of the House. The Speaker keeping in view the speeches made by the Members observed that a comprehensive motion in this respect should be brought before the House and he promised that he would call the leader of various parties and Groups in his Chamber to resolve the matter.

The discussion lasted for 72 minutes.

V. Personal Explanation

Shri Balram Dass Tandon rose on a point of personal explanation and refuted the charges levelled against him by the Finance Minster (S. Balwant Singh) on 27th July, 1970 on the Floor of the House. This again gave rise to points of Orders being raised from various quarters and later the Finance Minister(S. Balwant Singh) also spoke on a point of personal explanation and refuted the charges levelled against him by Shri Balram Dass Tandon.

VI. Adjournment Sine Die

Motion for adjournment of the House *sine die* at its rising on the 28th July, 1970 was moved by the Chief Minister and after some discussion the motion was carried.

VII. Election of Deputy Speaker

Before the Speaker called for the next item on the order paper and before any formal motion was moved by the Chief Minister, Sardar Gurnam Singh without being called by the chair moved that Brig. Bikramajit Singh Bajwa be elected as Deputy Speaker. The Speaker declared this motion as defective and the same was not proceeded with. The Chief Minister moved that :—

"Brig. Bikarmajit Singh Bajwa, a Member of Punjab Vidhan Sabha who is present in the House be elected as Deputy Speaker".

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The Finance Minister (S. Balwant Singh) seconded the motion. Since there was no other proposal, the motion was carried.

The Chief Minister (S. Parkash Singh Badal), Capt. Rattan Singh—Cong. Sardar Gurnam Singh, Shiromani Akali Dal (Gurnam Singh Group), Com. Satya. Pal Dang, C.P.I., Shri Manmohan Kalia—Jan Sangh, Chaudhri Balbir Singh—S.S.P., Sardar Kirpal Singh—P.S.P., Sirdar Kapur Singh—Shiromani Akali Dal (Panj Kaunsli), Sardar Basant Singh—Swatantra, Jathedar Hardit Singh Bhathal C.P.I (M) and Chaudhri Sunder Singh—Congress, made congratulatory speeches.

The Speaker associated himself with the observations made by the members and congratulated Brig. Bikarmajit Singh Bajwa on his unanimous election as Deputy Speaker.

The Deputy Speaker (Brig. Bikarmajit Singh Bajwa) made a few observations in reply.

VIII. Extension of Time

After the Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development and Finance Corporation Bill, 1970, was moved by Dr. Bhagat Singh, Minister for Scheduled Castes and Social Welfare, some members proposed that the time of the sitting be extended by one hour. After some discussion, it was unanimously decided that the House will continue to sit till the business before it was completed.

IX. The Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development and Finance Corporation Bill, 1970

Dr. Bhagat Singh, Minister for Scheduled castes and Social Welfare introduced the Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development and Finance Corporation Bill, 1970 and moved that the Bill be taken into conisideration at once. Sardar Umrao Singh, a member from the Opposition moved that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee with a direction to report on or before the 31st December, 1970. The Deputy Speaker decided that both the motions for consideration of the Bill and that for reference to the Select Committee will be discussed together. The following 13 members spoke on these Motions :—

(1) Comrade Satya Pal Dang, C.P.I.

(2) Master Gurbanta Singh, Congress.

(3) Sardar Dalip Singh Pandhi—Akali.

(4) Chaudhri Jagat Ram—Congress.

(5) Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal—C.P.I. (M).

(6) Sardar Raja Singh—Akali Dal (Gurnam Singh Group).

(7) Comrade Dana Ram—C.P.I.

(8) Sirdar Kapur Singh—Akali Dal (Panj Kaunsli).

(9) Chaudhri Sunder Singh—Congress.

(10) Chaudhri Balbir Singh—S.S.P.

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(11) Sardar Bachan Singh Pakho—Congress.

(12) Sardar Kirpal Singh—P.S.P.

(13) Doctor Sadhu Ram—Congress.

Dr. Bhagat Singh, Minister for Scheduled castes and Social Welfare replied to the debate. The motion for reference to Select Committee was put to the vote of the House and lost. Later the motion that the Bill be taken into consideration was put and carried.

The Bill was then taken into consideration Clause by Clause.

CLAUSE 2

Amendment No. 49 was put and carried. The remaining amendments were either moved and lost or not moved. The clause as amended was put and carried.

CLAUSE 3

The clause was put and carried.

CLAUSES 4, 5, & 6

Amendments to clauses 4 to 6 were not moved. The clauses were put and carried.

CLAUSE 7

Amendment No. 50 to clause 7 was moved and carried. The remaining amendments were either moved and lost/or ruled out of order or not moved.

The clause as amended was put and carried.

CLAUSE 8

Amendment No. 3 was moved and carried. The remaining amendments were not moved.

The clause as amended was put and carried.

CLAUSE 9

The amendment was not moved. The clause was put and carried.

CLAUSE 10

The clause was put and carried.

CLAUSE 11

The amendment was not moved. The clause was put and carried.

CLAUSE 12

Amendment No. 5 was moved and carried. The remaining amendments were held as redundant.

The clause as amended was put and carried.

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CLAUSE 13

Amendment No. 19 was moved and carried. The other amendment was moved and lost.

The clause as amended was put and carried.

CLAUSES 14 & 15

The clauses 14 and 15 were put and carried.

CLAUSE 16

The amendments to Clause 16 were not moved.

The clause was put and carried.

CLAUSE 17

Amendment to clause 17 was moved and lost.

The clause was put and carried.

CLAUSES 18 & 19

The clauses were put and carried.

CLAUSE 20

The amendment to clause 20 was not moved.

The clause was put and carried.

CLAUSE 21

The clause was put and carried.

CLAUSE 22

Amendment No. 61 to clause 22 was moved and carried.

The clause as amended was put and carried.

CLAUSE 23

The clause was put and carried.

CLAUSE 24

One amendment to clause 24 was moved and lost and the other was not moved.

The clause was put and carried

CLAUSES 25 & 26

The clauses were put and carried.

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CLAUSE 27

Amendment No. 52 to clause 27 was moved and carried.Out of the remaining two amendments, one was moved and lost and the other was by leave of the House withdrawn.

The clause as amended was put and carried.

CLAUSES 28 & 29

The clauses 28 and 29 were put and carried.

CLAUSES 30, 31 & 32

Amendments to clauses 30, 31 and 32 were not moved.

The clauses were put and carried.

CLAUSES 33 and 34

The clauses 33 and 34 were put and carried.

CLAUSE 35

Amendment No. 53 to Clause 35 was moved and carried.

The clause as amended was put and carried.

CLAUSE 1

The clause was put and carried.

The motion that the Bill as amended be passed was moved and carried.

X. Resumption of Discussion regarding appointment of a Committee of the House

At this stage Sardar Umrao Singh enquired from the Speaker as to the result of the disussion that he has had with the leaders of various parties/groups in his Chamber. Thereupon, the Chief Minister observed that he had no objetion if the Speaker appointed a committee of the House for enquiring into the allegations and counter allegations. The leader of the opposition, Major Harinder Singh, and leaders of other parties/groups supported the suggestion of the Chief Minister. The Speaker reiterated his earlier observation that it was necessary that a comprehensive motion in this respect should be brought before the House and adopted by the House itself. In the absence of adoption of such a motion several difficulties would arise. Further it was imperative that in view of the dignity, status and the nature of duties of the Speaker, he should not be called upon to take this controversial work upon himself. Notwithstanding that, there was a demand from different sections of the House that the Speaker should, keeping in view the wishes of the House, accept this work. Thereupon, the Speaker observed that while he was the servant of the House and must respect its wishes, he would not like to do anything which is against the Rules or which may ultimately besmirch or tarnish the fair name of the office of the Speaker. He would, however, like to consult the Speaker, Lok Sabha, so that no implications or difficulties arise subsequently.

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At this stage, the leader of the Opposition suggested that the Speaker should respect the sentiments and wishes of the House and might also consult Speaker, Lok Sabha. The Speaker agreed to it.

One Member enquired about the suggestion made by the Chief Minister, the Speaker pointed out that the suggestion was vague and it was for the Chief Minister to bring before the House a comprehensive motion. On this, the members of the Opposition present in the House staged a walk-out.

XI. The Punjabi University (Amendment) Bill, 1970

The Education Minister with a few remarks introduced the Punjabi University (Amendment) Bill, 1970 and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration. Sardar Umrao Singh (Congress), Shri Gian Chand Kharbanda (Congress), Chaudhri Balbir Singh (S.S.P.), Sirdar Kapur Singh (Panj Kaunsli) and Dr. Kewal Krishan (Congress) spoke on the consideration motion. Sardar Surjit Singh, Education Minister replied to the debate. The motion that the Bill be taken into consideration was put and carried.

The Bill was then taken up Clause by Clause.

CLAUSE 2

Amendment to Clause 2 was moved by Education Minister and carried. Clause 2 as amended was put and carried.

CLAUSE 1

Clause 1 was put and carried.

The motion moved by the Education Minister that the Bill as amended be passed, was carried and the Bill as amended was passed.

XII. Adjournment Motion

Chaudhri Balbir Singh moved for the adjournment of the business of the House to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely in spite of the fact that the rainy season has set in, the Punjab State Electricity Board has imposed some fresh restrictions on the consumption of power.

The Speaker stated the motion. The following members spoke :—

(1) Master Babu Singh, C.P.I.
(2) Sardar Shashpal Singh, Akali.
(3) Sardar Kirpal Singh, P.S.P.

At 7.33 P.M. it was observed that the House was not in quorum. The division bells were sounded twice but no member came in and the House remained without quorum. Thereupon, the Chairman Sardar Shashpal Singh adjourned the House *sine die* at about 7.37 P.M.

The Deputy Speaker occupied theChair from 12.33 P.M. to 1.15 P.M., and Sardar Shashpal Singh, a member of the Panel of Chairmen from 1.15 P.M. to 3.28 P.M., and again from 7.25 P.M. till the adjournment of the House at 7.37 P.M.

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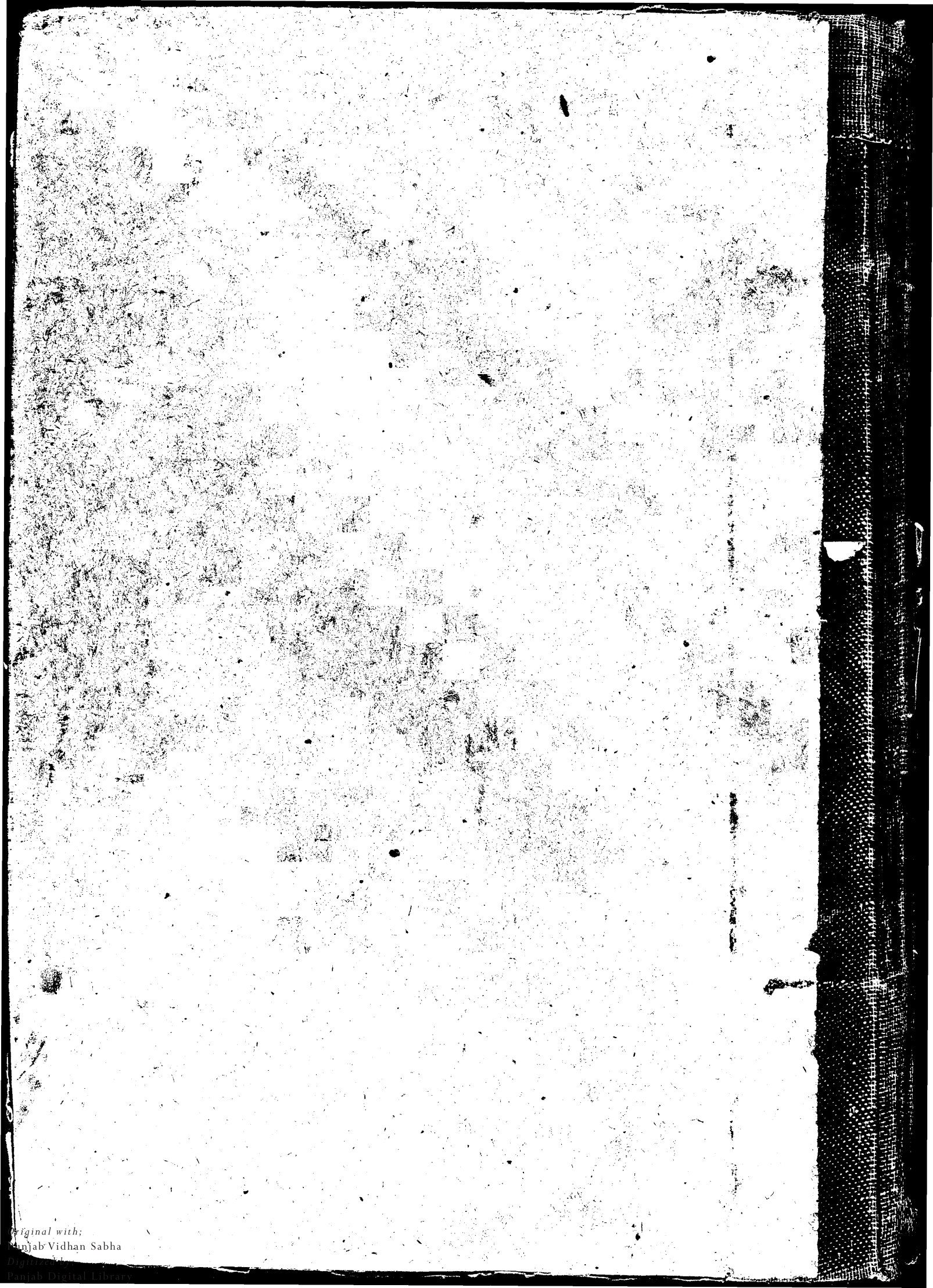
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