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Doctor, lawyer issues trigger heated exchange in Houset

Bhubaneswar: Lawyers' strike in western and southern Orissa, doctors' proposed mass leave from March 19 and demand for an IIT or IIM in Orissa dominated the State Assembly proceedings on Thursday as the treasury and the Opposition bench members engaged in heated exchange leading to adjournments and walkout by the Opposition.

The doctors issue was raised as the House assembled for the day when members cutting across party lines wanted to know about the steps taken by the government to meet the situation likely to arise out of doctors' strike.

Nearly 3,000 doctors under the banner of Orissa Medical Service Association (OMSA) working in various hospitals and health centres had already served ultimatum to the government threatening to go on mass leave from March 19 unless their demands were fulfilled.

Deputy leader of the Opposition Narasingh Mishra along with several members expressed concern over the government's silence over the doctors' threats.

The state that is faced with scarcity of doctors, will experience acute health crisis in the event doctors go on mass leave, Mishra said seeking specific reply on how the government was planning to meet the situation.

However, in his reply, health and family welfare minister Sanatan Bisi said that the state government was examining the situation and the 19-point charter of demands submitted by the OMSA.

Not satisfied with this opposition members staged a walkout.

Even treasury bench members like BJP's Droupadi Murmu and Sanchita Mohanty mocked at the minister's reply while stating that he was really good in giving reply to the Opposition.

While the state government was cornered over the doctors' issue, the opposition members raised question on its sincerity to solve the lawyers' problems that had paralysed the judicial system in western and southern parts of the state.

Lawyers of the two regions had been agitating demanding special bench of the Orissa High Court in their respective areas since three months causing problems for the people.

The lawyers' strike has led to overcrowding of all the jails in half of the state thus creating severe law and order situation, Mishra said, adding that even persons lodged in jails for petty crimes were unable to come out on bail due to the strike.

The treasury bench instead blamed the Congress for instigating lawyers to intensify stir. Congress is responsible for the miseries of the people in western and southern parts of the state, alleged BJD member Pradip Maharathy.

Amidst noisy scene over lawyers strike, the government chief whip Kishore Mohanty raised the IIT issue accusing the UPA government at the Centre of neglecting Orissa.

While other states already having IIT are given new IIT, Orissa is denied one, said Mohanty.

As the House was adjourned twice over lawyers issue, the ruling BJD-BJP members staged a dharna in front of Mahatma Gandhi statue in the Assembly premises protesting the Centre's alleged negligence.

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