CALLING ATTENTION MOTION FOR LOK SABHA

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CALLING ATTENTION

In light of the recent protests against the 3 Farm Bills put forth by the Union Government in the Parliament, hundreds of farmers have lost their lives at the Singhu and Tikri Border while sitting in protests. It is a matter of grave concern for the nation that farmers are sitting at the borders of Delhi in the cold with tear gas and water cannons being launched on them which constitutes an unmerciful act on civilians protesting peacefully.

The farmers are exercising their right to protest under Article 19(1)(b) which gives citizens of the nation the Right to Assemble peacefully without arms and this constitutes as a fundamental right. In Re: Ramlila Maidan Incident v. Home Secretary, Union of India & Bears, the SC held that, 'Citizens have a fundamental right to assembly and peaceful protest that cannot be removed from arbitrary executive or legislative action.'

Therefore, we are calling attention of the Ministry of Home Affairs to please justify the negligence towards the farmers' protests at the Singhu and Tikri Border, and take cognizance and accountability of the deaths of hundreds of farmers on the borders protesting peacefully.

