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In accordance with the Mountbatten Plan for partition of India, in Bengal, on the 20th June, 1947, the members of the Bengal Legislative Assembly divided into two groups—one including representatives of the predominantly Muslim areas and the other including representatives of the predominantly non-Muslim areas—met separately and also jointly as per the procedure laid down in paragraphs 5 to 8 of the statement made by the British Government on the 3rd June, 1947 on the subject of India (Transfer of Power). The members at the joint sitting (excluding European members) decided that the province of Bengal as a whole would join a new and a separate Constituent Assembly consisting of representatives of those areas which decide not to participate in the existing Constituent Assembly. Members of the Muslim majority districts (other than Europeans) decided on divisions against partition of Bengal and in favour of joining a new and separate Constituent Assembly; while the members of areas other than Muslim Majority districts (excluding Europeans) decided on divisions in favour of partition of Bengal and framing the Constitution of separated Province consisting of the non-Muslim majority areas in the existing Constituent Assembly. As one of the aforesaid two groups decided in favour of the partition, the Province, as per the statement made by the British Government, was partitioned into West Bengal and East Pakistan. With the passing of the Indian Independence Bill in July, 1947, two separate Dominions—India and Pakistan—came into being on the 15th day of August that year. The record of proceedings of

Bengal Legislative Assembly of 20th June, 1947 is historical and eventful. This Secretariat has only one cyclostyled copy of the same. A good number of requests have been received from various quarters for this re-print and as such the West Bengal Legislative Assembly Secretariat has decided to re-print the last day's proceedings of undivided Bengal.

Hope this will be helpful to research scholars and to all others interested in the subject.

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Dacca.

K. ALI AFZAL.  
*Returning Officer and Secy.*  
*to the Bengal Legis Assembly.*

Alphabetical List of Members of the Bengal Legislative Assembly  
representing Muslim Majority Districts (Excluding European Mem-  
bers).

A

- Abdul Aziz, Maulana Md. [Narayanganj East (Muhammadan).]  
Abdul Aziz, Munshi, Mr. [Madanpur East (Muhammadan).]  
Abdul Hafiz, Mr. Mirza. [Tangal West (Muhammadan).]  
Abdul Hai, Maulana. [Noakhali South (Muhammadan) ]  
Abdul Hakim Mia, Mr. [Noakhali West (Muhammadan).]  
Abdul Hakim Vikrampur, Mr. Md. [Munshiganj (Muhammadan).]  
Abdul Halim, Mr. Molla Mohammad. [Nadia West (Muhammadan) ]  
Abdul Hamid, Mr. [Rajshahi South (Muhammadan).]  
Abdul Hamid, Mr. A.M [Pabna West (Muhammadan) ]  
Abdul Hannan, Mr. [Meherpur (Muhammadan).]  
Abdul Karim, Mr. [Jamalpur North (Muhammadan).]  
Abdul Khaliq, Maulvi. [Dacca South Central (Muhammadan).]  
Abdul Manna, Mr. Fakir. [Dacca North Central (Muhammadan).]  
Abdul Momin, Mr. [Tippera Central (Muhammadan).]  
Abdullahel Baqui, Maulana Md. [Dinajpur Central East (Muhammad-  
an).]  
Abdur Rahman Khan, Mr. (alias Nuru Mia). [Patuakhali North (Mu-  
hammadan).]  
Abdur Raschid Mahmood, Mr. [Serajganj South (Muhammadan).]

Abdur Rashid, Maulana Khondkar, Tarkabagish. [Serajganj Central (Muhammadan).]

Abdur Rauf, Mr. Syed. [Jessore East (Muhammadan).]

Abdus Salam, Mr. Md. [Matlabbazar (Muhammadan).]

Abidur Reza Choudhury, Maulvi. [Chandpur West (Muhammadan).]

Abul Kalam Shamsuddin, Mr. [Mymensingh West (Muhammadan).]

Abul Masud, Mr. Kazi [Nator (Muhammadan).]

Acharjee, Mr. Shitangshu Kanta. [Dacca Landholders.]

Adhikary, Mr. Amulya Chandra. [Mymensingh East (General).]

Ahammad Ali, Mr. Mir. [Jamalpur-cum-Muktagachia (Muhammadan) ]

Ahmed Ali Mridha, Mr. [Goalundo (Muhammadan) ]

Ahmed Hosain, The Hon'ble Mr [Gaibandha South (Muhammadan).]

Ahmed Kabir Chowdhury, Mr. [Chittagong South (Muhammadan).]

Akbar Ali, Maulvi. [Netrakona North (Muhammadan).]

Ali Ahmed Chowdhury, Mr [Chittagong South Central (Muhammadan)]

Ali Ahmed Khan, Mr. [Brahmanbaria South (Muhammadan).]

Anwara Khatun, Mrs. [Dacca Women's (Muhammadan).]

Ariff Chaudhury (Dhanu Mia), Mr. Md. [Bakarganj North (Muhammadan).]

Asan Ali Muktear, Mr. [Netrokona South (Muhammadan).]

Aulad Hossain Khan, Mr. [Manikganj East (Muhammadan).]

## XXVII

- Azizur Rahman, Mr. Syed. [Bhola South (Muhammadan).]  
Badiuzzaman Muhammad Ilias, Mr. [Bogra East (Muhammadan) ]  
Bafatuddin Talukdar, Mr. A.K.M. [Jamalpur West (Muhammadan).]  
Barman, Mr. Haran Chandra. [Bogra-cum-Pabna (General Schedul) ]  
Barury, The Hon'ble Mr. Dwarka Nath. [Faridpur (General Scheduled).]  
Bhattacharjee, Mr. Ganendra Chandra. [Dacca East (General) ]  
Bhattacharjee, Mr. Munindra Nath [Dacca West (General).]  
Bhattacharyya, Mr. Shyamapada. [Murshidabad (General).]  
Birsha, Mr. Bir. [Malda (General Scheduled).]  
Biswas, Dr. Bhola Nath. [Jessore (General Scheduled) ]  
Biswas, Mr. Gayanath [Mymensingh West (General Scheduled) ]

## C

- Chakraborty, Mr. Benode Chandra. [Mymensingh West (General).]  
Chakravarty, Mr. Satish Chandra. [Presidency Division Municipal (General).]  
Chatterjee, Mr Haripada. [Nadia (General).]

## D

- Das, Mr. Brojomadhab. [Rangpur (General).]  
Das, MR. Jogendra Chandra. [Tippera (General Scheduled).]  
Das Gupta, Mr. Suresh Chandra. [Bogra-cum-Pabna (General).]  
Datta, Mr. Dharendra Nath. [Tippera (General).]

## XXVIII

Dhar, Mr. Manoranjan. [North Bengal Municipal (General).]

### E

Ebrahim Khan, Maulvi. [Tangail North (Muhammadan).]

Emaduddin Ahammad, Mr. [Rangpur South (Muhammadan).]

Eskandar Ali Khan, Mr. [Madaripur West (Muhammadan).]

### F

Fard Ahmad Chowdhury, Mr. [Chittagong North-East (Muhammadan).]

Fazlul Huq, Mr. A.K. [Bakarganj South (Muhammadan).]

Fazlul Karim, Mr. [Ramganj-cum-Raipur (Muhammadan).]

Fazlul Quadir, Mr. [Chittagong North-West (Muhammadan)]

Fazlur Rahman (Dacca), The Hon'ble Mr. [Dacca University]

Fazlur Rahman (Mymensingh), Mr. [Jamalpur East (Muhammadan).]

Fazlur Rahman (Noakhali), Mr. [Noakhali North (Muhammadan).]

### G

Ghosh Chowdhury, Mr. Haran Chandra. [Noakhali (General).]

Gomes, Mr. R.A. [Dacca Division (Indian Christian).]

Guha Roy, Dr. Protap Chandra. [Faridpur (General).]

Gupta, Mr. Manoranjan. [Bakarganj North-East (General).]

### H

Habibul Huq, Mr. Syed. [Kishoreganj North (Muhammadan).]

Hafizuddin Choudhuri, Mr. [Thakurgaon (Muhammadan).]

XXIX

Haldar, Mr. Kuber Chand. [Murshidabad (General Scheduled)]

Hamiduddin Ahmed, Mr. [Kishoreganj East (Muhammadan).]

Hassan Ali, Mr. [Dinajpur Central West (Muhammadan).]

Hatem Ally, Khan Sahib. [Perojpur South (Muhammadan).]

J

Junab Ali Mia, Mr. [Chandpur East (Muhammadan).]

K

Kabir Ahmed Choudhury, Mr. [Cox's Bazar (Muhammadan).]

Kazem Ali Mirza, Shahibzada Kawan Jah Saiyid. [Murshidabad South-West (Muhammadan).]

Khairat Hossain, Mr. [Nilphaman (Muhammadan).]

Khuda Buksh, Mr. Md. [Berhampore (Muhammadan) ]

Khurram Khan Panee, Mr. [Tangail South (Muhammadan).]

Kundu, Mr. Nishitha Nath. [Dinajpur (General).]

L

Lahiry, Mr. Provash Chandra. [Rajshahi (General) ]

Latfar Rahman. Mr. [Jessore Sadar (Muhammadan).]

Lutfar Rahman, Mr. Dewan. [Pabna East (Muhammadan).]

M

Madar Bux, Mr. [Rajshahi Central (Muhammadan).]

Mafizuddin Ahmed. Mr. [Tippera North (Muhammadan).]

XXX

- Mahammad Afzal, Mr. Syed. [Perojpur North (Muhammadan).]  
Mahammad Owais, Mr. [Rangpur North (Muhammadan).]  
Mahammad Sayeed Mia, Mr. [Malda North (Muhammadan).]  
Majibur Rahman, Mr. [Noakhali Central (Muhammadan).]  
Malik, Dr. A.M. [Water Transport Trade Union (Labour).]  
Maniruddin Akhand, Mr. [Rajshahi North (Muhammadan).]  
Martuza Reza Chowdhury, Mr. [Jangipui (Muhammadan).]  
Masihuddin Ahmed (alias Raja Mirah). [Manikganj West (Muhammadan).]  
Mazharul Haque, Mr. Abu Tayab. [Dacca Central (Muhammadan).]  
Mobarak Ali Ahmed, Mr. [Bogra North (Muhammadan).]  
Mohammed Ali, The Hon'ble Mr. [Bogra West (Muhammadan).]  
Muhammad Habibullah Chaudhury, Mr. [Feni (Muhammadan).]  
Muhammad Ishaque, Mr. [Bogra South (Muhammadan).]  
Muhammad Israil, Mr. [Kishoreganj South (Muhammadan).]  
Muhammad Quasem, Maulana Haji. [Bakarganj West (Muhammadan).]  
Muhammad Ruknuddin, Mr. [Brahmanbaria North (Muhammadan).]  
Muzaffar Rahman Choudhury, Mr. [Balurghat (Muhammadan).]

N

- Nandy, Maharaja Sris Chandra, of Cossimbazar. [Presidency Landhold]  
Najmul Huq, Md. Mr. [Malda South (Muhammadan).]

XXXI

Nasarulla, Mr. K. [Dacca Municipal (Muhammadan).]

Nawab Ali, Mr. [Tippera West (Muhammadan).]

Nawajesh Ahmed, Mr. [Nadia East (Muhammadan).]

Nazir Hossain Khandkar, Mr. [Kurigram South (Muhammadan).]

Nuruzzaman, Mr. [Bhola North (Muhammadan).]

Nurul Amin, The Hon'ble Mr. [Mymensingh East (Muhammadan).]

O

Osman Ah, Mr. [Narayanganj South (Muhammadan).]

Osman Gani, Mr. Md. [Serajganj North (Muhammadan).]

P

Paniruddin Ahmed, Mr. [Kurigram North (Muhammadan).]

Pramanik, Mr. Purna Chandra. [Nadia (General Scheduled).]

R

Ray, The Hon'ble Mr. Nagendra Narayan. [Rangpur (General Scheduled)]

Ray Barman, Mr. Rajani Kanta [Rangpur (General Scheduled).]

Roy, Mr. Dhananjoy. [Dacca East (General Scheduled).]

Roy, Mr. Harendra Nath. [Dinajpur (General Scheduled).]

Roy, Mr. Kiran Sankar. [East Bengal Municipal (General).]

Roy, Mr. Ram Hari. [Malda (General).]

Roy, Mr. Rup Narayan. [Dinajpur (General Scheduled).]

## S

- Salim, Mr. S.A. [Narayanganj South (Muhammadan).]
- Sarkar, Mr. Bijoy Krishna. [Jessore (General).]
- Sarkar, Mr. Prafulla Ranjan. [Mymensingh East (General Scheduled)]
- Sen, Mrs. Ashalata. [Dacca Women's (General).]
- Sen, Mr. Satindra Nath. [Bakarganj South-West (General).]
- Sen Gupta, Mrs. Nellie. [Chittagong (General).]
- Serajul Haque, Mr. [Tippera South (Muhammadan).]
- Serajuddin Ahmed, Mr. (Gaibandha). [Gaibandha North (Muhammadan).]
- Serajul Islam, Mr. [Bongaon (Muhammadan).]
- Shamsuddin Ahmed, The Hon'ble Mr. [Kushtia (Muhammadan).]
- Shamsuddin Ahmed Chowdhury (alias Badsha Mia), Mr. [Faridpur East (Muhammadan).]
- Shamsuddin Ahmed Khondkar, Mr. [Gopalganj (Muhammadan).]
- Shamsuddin Sikdar, Mr. Md. [Patuakhali South (Muhammadan).]
- Shamsul Huda, Maulana. [Mymensingh South (Muhammadan).]
- Sharfuddin Ahmed, Mr. [Mymensingh North (Muhammadan).]
- Singhi, Mr. Narendra Singh. [Rajshahi Landholders.]
- Sinha, Mr. Arun Chandra. [Chittagong Landholders.]

## T

- Tafazzal Ali, Mr. [Tippera North-East (Muhammadan).]

XXXIII

Thakur, Mr. Promotha Ranjan. [Faridpur (General Scheduled).]

Tofazzel Hossain, Mr. [Jhenidah (Muhammadan).]

Y

Yusuf Hossain Chowdhury, Mr. [Fandpur West (Muhammadan).]

V

Vacant. [Bakarganj South-West (General Scheduled) ]

## XXXIV

Alphabetical list of Members of the Bengal Legislative Assembly  
representing Non-Muslim majority Districts (excluding European  
Members).

### A

Abdul Ahad, Dr. [Satkhira (Muhammadan).]

Abdur Rahman, The Hon'ble Mr. A.F.M. [24-Parganas North-East  
(Muhammadan).]

Abdus Sabur Khan, Mr. (Khulna (Muhammadan).]

Abul Hashem Mr. [Burdwan (Muhammadan).]

Abdul Wahid Sarkar. [Hooghly (Muhammadan).]

### B

Bandyopadhyay, Mr. Pramatha Nath. [Midnapore South-West (General).]

Banerjee, Mr. Gobindalal. [Khulna (General).]

Banerjee, Mr. Sibnath. [Howrah (Registered Factories) (Labour).]

Banerjee, Mr. Susil Kumar. [Howrah (General).]

Banerjee, Dr. Suresh Chandra. [Calcutta Suburbs (Registered Factories) (Labour).]

Barman, MR. Mohini Mohan. [Jalpaiguri-cum-Siliguri (General Scheduled).]

Basu, MR. Hemanta Kumar. [Calcutta North (General).]

Basu, MR. Jyoti, [Railway Trade Union (Labour).]

Bhandari, Mr. Charu Chandra. [24-Parganas North-West (General).]

Bose, Mr. Satish Chandra. [Calcutta South (General).]

Brahmin, Mr. Ratanlal. [Darjeeling Sadar (Labour).]

C

Chattopadhyay, Mr. Mihir Lal. [Birbhum (General).]

Choudhury, Mr. Annanda Prosad. [Jhargram-cum-Ghatal (General).]

D

Das, Miss Bina. [Calcutta Women's (General).]

Das, MR. Radha Nath. [Hooghly North-East (General Scheduled).]

Das Gupta, Mr. Khagendra Nath. [Jalpaigun-cum-Siligun (General).]

Dass, Mr. Kanailal. [Burdwan Central (General Scheduled).]

De, Mr. Kanai Lal. [Bankura West (General).]

Dolui, Mr. Harendra Nath. [Jhargram-cum-Ghatal (General Scheduled).]

Dutta, Mr. Sukumar. [Hooghly South-West (General) ]

Dutt-Mazumdar, Mr. Niharendu. [Barrackpore (Registered Factories)  
(Labour)]

G

Ganguli, Mr. Bepin Behari. [24-Parganas Municipal (General).]

Gayen, Mr. Arabinda. [Howrah (General Scheduled) ]

Ghose, Mr. A.K. [Bengal National Chamber of Commerce (Com-  
merce and Industries).]

Ghose, Mr. Bimal Comar. [Bengal National Chamber of Commerce  
(Commerce and Industries).]

Gomes, Mr. D [Calcutta-cum-Presidency Division (Indian Christian).]

Gupta, Mr. J.C. [Calcutta South Central (General).]

Gurung, Mr. Damber Singh. [Darjeeling (General).]

H

Husan Ara Begum. [Calcutta Women's (Muhammadan).]

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I

Ilian Ali Molla, Mr. [24-Parganas General (Muhammadan).]

Ispahani, Mr. M.A.H. [Muslim Chamber of Commerce (Commerce and Industry).]

J

Jalan, Mr. Iswar Das. [Calcutta West (General).]

Jasimuddin Ahmed, Mr. [24-Parganas South (Muhammadan).]

K

Khaitan, Mr. Debi Prosad. [Indian Chamber of Commerce (Commerce and Industries).]

M

Mahanty, Mr. Charu Chandra. [Midnapore Central (General).]

Mahtab, Sir Uday Chand, K.C.I.E., Maharajadhiraj Bahadur of Burdwan [Burdwan Landholders.]

Maiti, Mr. Nikunja Behan. [Burdwan Division North Municipal (General).]

Majhi, Mr. Nishapati. [Birbhum (General Scheduled).]

Majumdar, Mr. Bhupati. [Hooghly-cum-Howrah Municipal (General).]

Mal, Mr. Iswar Chandra. [Midnapore South-East (General).]

Mallick, Mr. Ashutosh. [Bankura West (General Scheduled).]

Mandal, Mr. Annadaprasad. [Burdwan North-West (General).]

Mandal, Mr. Bankubehan. [Burdwan North-West (General Scheduled).]

Mandal, Mr. Krishna Prasad. [Midnapore Central (General Scheduled).]

Mohammad Sharif Khan, Mr. [Hooghly-cum-Howrah Municipal (Mu-

hammadan).]

Mookerjee, Mr. Kalipada. [Calcutta East (General).]

Mookerjee, Dr. Syamaprasad. [Calcutta University.]

Mozammel Hossain, Dr. Md. [Bagerhat (Muhammadan).]

Mudassir Hossain, Mr. [Birbhum (Muhammadan).]

Muhammad Idris, Mr. [Howrah (Muhammadan).]

Muhammad Qumruddin, Mr. [Barrackpore Municipal (Muhammadan).]

Muhammad Rafique, Mr. [Calcutta North (Muhammadan).]

Muhammad Siddique, Dr. Syed [Bankura (Muhammadan) ]

Mukherjee, Mr. Dharendra Narayan [Hooghly North-East (General) ]

Mullick, Mr. Mukunda Behary. [Khulna (General Scheduled).]

Murarka, Mr. Basantlal. [Calcutta Central (General).]

Musharruff Hossain, Nawab, Khan Bahadur. [Jalpaiguri-cum-Darjeeling (Muhammadan).]

Naskar, Mr. Ardhendu Sekhar. [24-Parganas North-West (General Scheduled).]

Naskar, Mr. Hem Chandra. [24-Parganas South-East (General Scheduled).]

Nooruddin, Mr. K. [Calcutta South (Muhammadan).]

P

Panja, Mr. Jadabendra Nath [Burdwan Central (General).]

Pentony, Mr. L.R. [Anglo-Indian.]

Platel, Mr. R.E. [Anglo-Indian.]

Poddar, Mr. Anandilal. [Marwari Association (Commerce and Industries).]

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Pramanik, Mr. Rajani Kanta. [Midnapore East (General).]

R

Ray, Mr. Kamal Krishna. [Bankura East (General).]

Ricketts, Mrs. E.M. [Anglo-Indian Women's.]

Roy, Mr. Jajneswar. [Jajnapur-cum-Siliguri (General Scheduled).]

S

Sarkar, Mr. Rejendra Nath. [Khulna General Scheduled].]

Sen, Mr. Debendra Nath. [Colliery (Coal Mines). (Labour).]

Serajuddin Ahmed, Mr. (Midnapore). [Midnapore (Muhammadan).]

Sinha, Mr. Bimal Chandra. [24-Parganas South-East (General) ]

Suhrawardy, The Hon'ble Mr. H.S. [24-Parganas Municipal (Muhammadan).]

W

Wilks, Mr. G.C.D. [Anglo-Indian]

Z

Zaman, Mr. A.M.A. [Hooghly-cum-Serampore (Registered Factories) (Labour).]

## XXXIX

Meeting of the members of the Bengal Legislative Assembly representing Muslim majority districts.

(Morning Sossion-11 a.m. 11-10 a.m.)

Present :

Mr. Nurul Amin in the Chair and 140 members.

PRESIDENT (Mr. Nurul Amin) : We are going to take a very momentous decision to-day in this meeting which will go down in history as a great event in the struggle for the freedom of this sub-continent. I hope and appeal to each member of this House to Co-operate with me on this solemn occasion in conducting the proceedings of this meeting.

It is necessary for us to adopt certain Rules of Procedure for the conduct of this meeting. The rules were drafted yesterday in a meeting of the leading members of both parts of this House, including the President of the other part of the Assembly. Copies of the rules, I believe, have been supplied to the members, and I hope they may be adopted : (After a pause and no objection having taken) I take it that the rules of procedure are adopted.

Now the first business for me is to enquire whether there is any member who demands that there shall be a meeting of all the members of the Legislative Assembly, other than the Europeans, at which a decision will be taken on the issue as to which Constituent Assembly the Province as a whole would join, if it were decided by the two parts to remain united.

Mr. KIRAN SANKAR ROY : I demand that there shall be a joint session.

(A message was accordingly sent to the President of the other part of the House.)

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**PRESIDENT** : The joint meeting will take place here at 3 p.m. to-day, and this meeting will re-assemble fifteen minutes after the termination of the joint meeting.

I hope, it is clear to the members that the joint meeting takes place here in this Chamber at 3 p.m. today, and this part of the Assembly will be meeting here again fifteen minutes after the termination of the joint meeting.

Joint meeting of the members of the Bengal Legislative Assembly other than Europeans.

(Afternoon Session-3 p.m. to 3-30 p.m.)

Present :

Mr. Nurul Amin in the Chair and 219 members.

**PRESIDENT** (Mr. Nurul Amin) : Ladies and gentlemen, before we take up the main agenda of this meeting I propose that some rules of procedure be adopted for the conduct of business of this meeting. The rules of business which have been adopted by both parts of this House in the morning may be adopted for this meeting also. These have already been circulated to the honourable members and I hope there would be no objection to adopt them.

(There was no objection.)

.....The rules are adopted.

It is now my duty to ascertain whether the Province of Bengal as a whole would join the existing Constituent Assembly or join a new and separate Constituent Assembly consisting of representatives of those areas which will decide not to participate in the existing Constituent Assembly. Those who are in favour of joining the existing Constituent Assembly will go to the "Ayes" lobby and those who are in favour of a new and separate Constituent Assembly will go to the

“Noes” lobby. Members may proceed to record their votes.

**AYES 90.**

Acharjee, Mr. Shitangshu Kanta.

Adhikari, Mr. Amulya Chandra.

Bandopadhyaya, Mr. Pramatha Nath

Banerjee, Mr. Gobindalal.

Banerjee, Mr. Sibnath.

Banerjee, Mr. Susil Kumar.

Banerjee, Dr. Suresh Chandra.

Barman, Mr. Mohini Mohan.

Basu, Mr. Hemanta Kumar.

Bhandari, Mr. Charu Chandra.

Bhattacharjee, Mr. Ganendra Chandra.

Bhattacharjee, Mr. Munindra Nath.

Bhattacharyya, Mr. Syamapada

Birsha, Mr. Bir.

Bose, Mr. Satish Chandra.

Chakraborty, Mr. Benode Chandra.

Chakravarty, Mr. Satish Chandra.

Chatterjee, Mr. Haripada.

Chattopadhyaya, Mr. Mihir Lal.

Chowdhury, Mr. Annanda Prasad.

Das, Miss Bina.

Das, Mr. Brojomadhab.

Das, Mr. Jogendra Chandra.

Das, Mr. Radha Nath.

Das Gupta, Mr. Khagendra Nath

Das Gupta, Mr. Suresh Chandra.

Dass, Mr. Kanailal.

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De, Mr. Kanai Lal.

Dhar, Mr. Manoranjan.

Dolui, Mr. Harendra Nath.

Dutta, Mr. Sukumar.

Dutt-Mazumdar, Mr. Niharendu.

Ganguli Mr. Bepin Behari.

Gayen, Mr. Arabinda.

Ghose, Mr. A.K.

Ghose, Mr. Bimal Comar.

Ghosh Chowdhury, Mr. Haran Chandra

Gomes, Mr. D.

Guha Roy, Dr. Protap Chandra.

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- Gupta, Mr. Monoranjan.  
Gurung, Mr. Damber Singh.  
Haldar, Mr. Kuber Chand.  
Jalan, Mr. Iswar Das  
Khaitan, Mr. Debi Prosad.  
Kundu, Mr Nishitha Nath.  
Lahiri, Mr. Provas Chandra  
Mahanty, Mr. Charu Chandra.  
Mahtab, Sri Uday Chand, K.C.I.E.,  
Maharajadhiraj Bahadur, of Burdwan  
Maiti, Mr. Nikunja Behari.  
Majhi, Mr. Nishapati  
Majumdar, Mr. Bhupati.  
Mal, Mr. Iswas Chandra  
Mallick, Mr. Ashutosh.  
Mandal, Mr. Annadaprasad.  
Mandal, Mr. Bankubehari  
Mandal, Mr. Krishna Prasad.  
Mookerjee, Dr. Syamaprasad.  
Mookerjee, Mr. Kalipada.  
Mukherjee, Mr. Dharendra Narayan.

Mullick, Mr. Munkunda Behary.

Murarka, Mr. Basantlal

Nandy, Maharaja Sris Chandra, of Cossimbazar.

Naskar, Mr. Ardhendu Sekhar.

Naskar, Mr. Hem Chandra.

Panja, Mr. Judabendra Nath.

Pentony, Mr. L.R.

Platel, Mr. R.E.

Poddar, Mr. Anandilal.

Pramanik, Mr. Purna Chandra.

Pramanik, Mr. Rajani Kanta.

Ray, Mr. Jagnoswar.

Ray, Mr. Kamal Krishna.

Ricketts, Mrs. E.M.

Roy, Mr. Dhananjoy.

Roy, Mr. Harendra Nath.

Roy, Mr. Kiran Sankar.

Roy, Mr. Ram Hari.

Sarkar, Mr. Bijoy Krishna.

Sarkar, Mr. Rajendra Nath.

Sarker, Mr. Prafulla Ranjan.

Sen, Mrs. Ashalata.

Sen, Mr. Debendra Nath.

Sen, Mr. Satindra Nath.

Sen Gupta, Mrs. Nellie.

Singha, Mr. Arun Chandra.

Singhi, Mr. Narendra Singh.

Sinha, Mr. Bimal Chandra.

Thakur, Mr. Pramatha Ranjan.

Wilks, Mr. G.C.D.

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Abdul Ahad, Dr.

Abdul Aziz, Maulana Md.

Abdul Aziz Munshi, Mr.

Abdul Hafiz, Mr. Mirza.

Abdul Hai, Maulana.

Abdul Hakim Mia, Mr.

Abdul Hakim Vikrampur, Mr. Md.

Abdul Halim, Mr. Molla Mohammad.

Abdul Hamid, Mr.

Abdul Hamid, Mr. A.M.

Abdul Hannan, Mr.

Abdul Karim, Mr.

Abdul Khaleque, Mr.

Abidur Roza Choudhury, Mr.

Abul Hashem, Mr.

Abul Kalam Shamsuddin, Mr.

Abul Masud, Mr. Kazi.

Ahammad Ali, Mr. Mir.

Ahmed Ali Mridha, Mr.

Ahmed Hosain, The Hon'ble Mr

Ahmed Kabir Chowdhury, Mr.

Akbar Ali, Maulvi.

Ali Ahmed Chowdhury, Mr.

Ali Ahmed Khan, Mr.

Anwara Khatun.

Arif Chaudhury (Dhanu Mia), Mr. Md.

Asan Ali Muktear, Mr.

Aulad Hossain Khan, Mr.

Azizur Rahman, Mr. Syed.

Abdul Mannan, Mr. Fakir.

Abdul Momin, Mr.

Abdul Wahid Sarkar, Mr.

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Abdullahel Baqui, Mr. Md.

Abdur Rahman, The Hon'ble Mr. A.F.M.

Abdur Rahman Khan (alias Nuru Mia), Mr.

Abdur Raschid Mahmood, Mr.

Abdur Raschid, Maulana Khondkar

Abdur Rauf, Mr. Syed.

Abdus Sabur Khan, Mr.

Abdus Salam, Mr. Md.

Badiuzzaman Muhammad Ilias, Mr.

Bafatuddin Talukdar, Mr. A.K.M

Ebrahim Khan, Mr.

Emaduddin Ahammed, Mr.

Eskandar Ali Khan, Mr.

Farid Ahmad Chowdhury, Mr.

Fazlul Karim, Mr.

Fazlul Qadir, Mr.

Fazlur Rahman (Dacca), The Hon'ble Mr.

Fazlur Rahman (Mymensingh), MR.

Fazlur Rahman (Noakhali), Mr

Gomes, Mr. R.A.

Habibul Haq, Mr. Syed.

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Hafizuddin Choudhuri, Mr.

Hamiduddin Ahmed, Mr.

Hassan Ali, Mr.

Hatem Ally, Khan Sahib.

Husan Ara Begum.

Ilias Ali Molla, Mr.

Ispahani, Mr. M.A.H.

Jasimuddin Ahmed, Mr.

Jonab Ah Mia, Mr.

Kabir Ahmed Choudhury, Mr.

Kazem Ali Mirza, Shahibzada Kawan

Jah Saiyid.

Khairat Hossain, Mr.

Khuda Bukhsh, Mr. Md.

Khurram Khan Panee, Mr.

Latfar Rahman, Mr.

Latfar Rahman, Mr. Dowan.

Madar Bux, Mr

Mafizuddin Ahmed, Mr. ✓

Mahammad Afzal, Mr. Syed.

Mahammad Owais, Mr.

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Mahammad Sayeed Mia, Mr.

Majibar Rahman, Maulvi.

Malik, Dr, A.M.

Maniruddin Akhand, Mr.

Martuza Reza Chowdhury, Mr.

Masiuddm Ahmed (alias Raja Miah), Mr.

Mazharul Haque, Mr. Abu Taiyab.

Mobarak Ali Ahmed, Mr.

Mohammad Sharif Khan, Mr.

Mohammed Ali, The Hon'ble Mr.

Mozammel Hossain, Dr.

Mudassir Hossain, Mr.

Muhammad Habibullah Chaudhury, Mr.

Muhammad Idnis, Maulvi.

Muhammad Ishaque, Mr.

Muhammad Israil, Mr.

Muhammad Quasem, Maulana Haji.

Muhammad Qumruddin, Mr.

Muhammad Rafique, Mr.

Muhammad Ruknuddin, Mr.

Muhammad Siddique, Dr. Syed.

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Musharruff Hossain, Nawab, Khan Bahadur.

Muzaffar Rahman Choudhury, Mr.

Najmul Huq, Mr. Md.

Nasarulla, Mr. K.

Nawajesh Ahmed, Mr.

Nawab Ali, Mr.

Nazir Hossain Khandkar, Mr.

Nooruddin, Mr. K.

Nurazzaman, Mr.

Nurul Amin, The Hon'ble Mr.

Osman Ali, Mr.

Osman Gani, Mr. Md.

Paniruddin Ahmed, Mr.

Salim, Mr. S.A.

Serajal Haque, Mr. Syed.

Serajuddin Ahmed, Mr. (Midnapore).

Serajuddin Ahmed, Mr. (Gaibandha)

Serajul Islam, Mr.

Shamsuddin Ahmed, The Hon'ble Mr.

Shamsuddin Ahmed Chowdhury (alias Badsha Mia), Mr.

Shamsuddin Ahmed Khondkar, Mr.

Shamsuddin Sikdar, Mr. Md.

Sharfuddin Ahmed, Mr.

Suhrawandy, The Hon'ble Mr. H.S.

Tofazzel Hossain, Mr.

Yusuf Hossain Chowdhury, Mr.

Zaman, Mr. A.M.A.

PRESIDENT : The result of the division is as follows :—

In favour of the existing Constituent Assembly - 90

In favour of a new and separate Constituent Assembly-126

The business of this meeting is over. Now, the honourable members will have to sit in parts 15 minutes after this meeting, i.e., at 3-30, in two parts in different places as in the morning.

Meeting of the members of the Bengal Legislative Assembly representing the Muslim majority districts.

(Afternoon Session 3-35 p.m. to 4-15 p.m.)

Present :

Mr. Nurul Amin in the Chair and 140 members.

PRESIDENT (Mr. Nurul Amin) : It is now my duty to ascertain the wishes of this part of the Bengal Legislative Assembly as to whether the province of Bengal should be partitioned or not

Those who are in favour of partition will go to the "Ayes" lobby and those who are against it will go to the "Noes" lobby. Members may now proceed to record their votes.

**AYES-35**

Acharjee, Mr. Shitangshu Kanta.

Adhikary, Mr. Amulya Chandra.

Bhattacharjee, Mr. Ganendra Chandra.

Bhattacharjee, Mr. Munindra Nath.

Bhattacharyya, Mr. Shyamapada.

Birsha, Mr. Bir.

Chakraborty, Mr. Benode Chandra.

Chakravarty, Mr. Satish Chandra.

Chatterjee, Mr. Haripada.

Das, Mr. Brojomadhab.

Das, Mr. Jogendra Chandra.

Das Gupta, Mr. Suresh Chandra.

Datta, Mr. Dharendra Nath.

Dhar, Mr. Manoranjan.

Ghosh Chowdhury, Mr. Haran Chandra.

Guha Roy, Dr. Protap Chandra.

Gupta, Mr. Manoranjan.

Haldar, Mr. Kuber Chand.

Kundu, Mr. Nishitha Nath.

Lahiry, Mr. Provas Chandra.

Nandy, Maharaja Sris Chandra, of Cossimbazar.

Pramanik, Mr. Purna Chandra.

Roy, Mr. Dhananjoy.

Roy, Mr. Harendra Nath.

Roy, Mr. Kiran Sankar.

Roy, Mr. Ram Hari.

Sarkar, Mr. Bijoy Krishna.

Sarkar, Mr. Prafulla Ranjan.

Sen, Mrs. Lalalata.

Sen, Mr. Satindra Nath.

Sen Gupta, Mrs. Nellie.

Singhi, Mr. Narendra Singh.

Sinha, Kumar Arun Chandra

Thakur, Mr. Promotha Ranjan.

**NOES-106**

Abdul Aziz, Maulana Md.

Abdul Aziz, Munshi, Mr.

Abdul Hafiz, Mr. Mirza.

Abdul Hai, Maulana.

Abdul Hakim Mia, Mr.

Abdul Hakim Vikrampur, Mr. Md

- Abdul Halim, Mr. Molla Mohammad.  
Abdul Hamid, Mr.  
Abdul Hamid, Mr. A.M.  
Abdul Hannan, Mr.  
Abdul Karim, Mr.  
Abdul Khaliq, Maulvi.  
Abdul Mannan, Mr. Fakir.  
Abdul Momin, Mr.  
Abdullahel Baqui, Maulana Md.  
Anwara Khatun, Mrs.  
Ariff Chaudhury (Dhanu Mia), Mr. Md.  
Asan Ali Muktear, Mr.  
Aulad Hossain Khan, Mr.  
Azizur Rahman, Mr. Syed.  
Abdur Rahman Khan, Mr. (alias Nuru Mia).  
Abdur Raschid Mahmood, Mr.  
Abdur Rashid, Maulana Khondkar, Tarkabagish.  
Abdur Rauf, Mr. Syed.  
Abdus Salam, Mr. Md.  
Abidur Reza Choudhury, Maulvi.  
Abul Kalam Shamsuddin, Mr.

Abul Masud, Mr. Kazi.

Ahammad Ali, Mr. Mir.

Ahmed Ali Mridha, Mr.

Ahmed Hosain, The Hon'ble Mr.

Ahmed Kabir Chowdhury, Mr

Akbar Ali, Maulvi.

Ali Ahmed Chowdhury, Mr.

Ali Ahmed Khan, Mr.

Dadjuzzaman Muhammad Illias, Mr.

Bafatuddin Talukdar, Mr. A.K.M.

Ebrahim Khan, Maulvi.

Emaduddin Ahammad, Mr.

Eskandar Ali Khan, Mr.

Farid Ahmad Chowdhury, Mr.

Fazlul Karim, Mr.

Fazlul Quadir, Mr.

Fazlur Rahman (Dacca), The Hon'ble Mr

Fazlur Rahman (Mymensingh), Mr.

Fazlur Rahman (Noakhali), Mr.

Gomes, Mr. R.A.

Habibul Huq, Mr. Syed.

Hafizuddin Choudhuri, Mr.

Hamiduddin Ahmed, Mr.

Hassan Ali, Mr.

Hatem Ally, Khan Sahib.

Junab Ali Mia, Mr.

Kabir Ahmed Choudhury, Mr.

Kazem Ali Mirza, Shahibzada Kawan Jah Sayid.

Khairat Hossain, Mr.

Khuda Buksh, Mr. Md.

Khurram Khan Pancee, Mr.

Lutfar Rahman, Mr.

Lutfar Rahman, Mr. Dewan.

Madar Bux, Mr.

Mafizuddin Ahmed, Mr.

Mahammad Afzal, Mr. Syed.

Mahammad Owais, Mr.

Mahammad Sayeed Mia, Mr.

Majibur Rahman, Mr.

Malik, Dr. A.M.

Maniruddin Akhand, Mr.

Martuza Reza Chowdhury, Mr.

Masihuddin Ahmed (alias Raja Miah), Mr.

Mazharul Haque, Mr. Abu Tayyab.

Mobarak Ali Ahmed, Mr.

Mohammad Ali, The Hon'ble Mr.

Muhammad Habibullah Chaudhury, Mr.

Muhammad Ishaque, Mr.

Muhammad Israil, Mr.

Muhammad Quasem, Maulana Haji.

Muhammad Ruknuddin, Mr.

Muzaffar Rahman Choudhury, Mr.

Najmul Huq, Md. Mr.

Nasarulla, Mr. K.

Nawab Ali, Mr.

Nawajesh Ahmed, Mr.

Nazir Hossain Khandkar, Mr.

Nuruzzaman, Mr.

Nurul Amin, The Hon'ble Mr.

Osman Ali, Mr.

Osman Gam, Mr. Md.

Paniruddin Ahmed, Mr.

Salim, Mr. S.A.

Serajul Haque, Mr. Syed.

Serajuddin Ahmed, Mr. (Gaibandha).

Serajul Islam, Mr.

Shamsuddin Ahmed, The Hon'ble Mr.

Shamsuddin Ahmed Chowdhury (alias Badsha Mia), Mr.

Shamsuddin Ahmed Khondkar, Mr.

Shamsuddin Sikdar, Mr. Md.

Sharfuddin Ahmad, Mr.

Tafazzal Ali, Mr.

Tofazzel Hossain, Mr.

Yusuf Hossain Chowdhury, Mr.

PRESIDENT : The result of the division is as follows :

In favour of partition-35

Against partition-106.

I shall have to wait for a message from the other part.

(After a pause.)

Ladies and gentlemen, we have received the decision of the other part of the Bengal Legislative Assembly, which has decided in favour of partition of Bengal.

It is now my duty to ascertain the wishes of this part of the Bengal Legislative Assembly as to whether it will join the existing Constituent Assembly, or it will join a new and separate Constituent Assembly, consisting of the representatives of those areas which de-

side not to participate in the existing Constituent Assembly.

Those who are in favour of joining the existing Constituent Assembly will go to the "Ayes" lobby, and those who are in favour of joining a new and separate Constituent Assembly, consisting of the representatives of those areas which decide not to participate in the existing constituent Assembly will go to the "Noes" lobby.

Members will now proceed to record their votes.

**AYES-34**

Acharjee, Mr. Shitangshu Kanta.

Adhikary, Mr. Amulya Chandra.

Bhattacharjee, Mr. Ganandra Chandra

Bhattacharjee, Mr. Munindra Nath.

Bhattacharyya, Mr. Shyamapada.

Birsha, Mr. Bir.

Chakraborty, Mr. Benode Chandra.

Chakravarty, Mr. Satish Chandra.

Chatterjee, Mr. Haripada.

Das, Mr. Brojomadhab.

Das, Mr. Jogendra Chandra.

Das Gupta, Mr. Suresh Chandra.

Datta, Mr. Dharendra Nath.

Dhar, Mr. Manoranjan.

Ghosh Chowdhury, Mr. Haran Chandra.

Guha Roy, Dr. Protap Chandra.

Gupta, Mr. Manoranjan.

Haldar, Mr. Kuber Chand.

Kundu, Mr. Nishitha Nath.

Lahiry, Mr. Provas Chandra.

Nandy, Maharaja Sris Chandra, of Cossimbazar.

Pramanik, Mr. Purna Chandra.

Roy, Mr. Dhananjoy.

Roy, Mr. Harendra Nath.

Roy, Mr. Kiran Sankar.

Roy, Mr. Ram Hari.

Sarkar, Mr. Bijoy Krishna.

Sarkar, Mr. Prafulla Ranjan.

Sen, Mrs. Ashalata.

Sen, Mr. Satindra Nath.

Sen Gupta, Mrs. Nellie.

Singhi, Mr. Narendra Singh.

Sinha, Kumar Arun Chandra.

Thakur, Mr. Promotha Ranjan.

**NOES-107**

Abdul Aziz, Maulana Md.

- Abdul Aziz, Munshi, Mr.  
Abdul Hafiz, Mr. Mirza.  
Abdul Hai, Maulana.  
Abdul Hakim Mia, Mr.  
Abdul Hakim Vikrampurī, Mr. Md.  
Abdul Halim, Mr. Molla Mohammad.  
Abdul Hamid, Mr.  
Abdul Hamid, Mr. A.M.  
Abdul Hannan, Mr.  
Abdul Karim, Mr.  
Abdul Khalīq, Maulvi.  
Abdul Mannan, Mr. Fakir.  
Abdul Momīn, Mr.  
Abdullahel Baqui, Maulana Md.  
Abdur Rahman Khan, Mr. (alias Nuru Mia).  
Abdur Raschid Mahmood, Mr.  
Abdur Rashid, Maulana Khondkar. Tarkabagish  
Abdur Rauf, Mr. Syed.  
Abdus Salam, Mr. Md.  
Abidur Reza Choudhury, Maulvi  
Abul Kalam Shamsuddin. Mr.

- Abul Masud, Mr. Kazi.  
Ahammad Ali, Mr. Mir.  
Ahmed Ali Mrisha, Mr.  
Ahmed Hosain, The Hon'ble Mr.  
Ahmed Kabir Chowdhury, Mr.  
Akbar Ali, Maulvi.  
Ali Ahmed Chowdhury, Mr.  
Ali Ahmed Khan, Mr.  
Anwara Khatun, Mrs.  
Ariff Chaudhury (Dhanu Mia), Mr. Md.  
Asan Ali Muktear, Mr.  
Aulad Hossain Khan, Mr.  
Azizur Rahman, Mr. Syed.  
Badiuzzaman Muhammad Ilias, Mr.  
Bafatuddin Talukdar, Mr. A.K.M.  
Ebrahim Khan, Maulvi.  
Emaduddin Ahammad, Mr.  
Eskandar Ali Khan, Mr.  
Farid Ahmad Chowdhury, Mr.  
Fazlul Karim, Mr.  
Fazlul Quadir, Mr.

Fazlur Rahman (Dacca). The Hon'ble Mr.

Fazlur Rahman (Mymensingh), Mr.

Fazlur Rahman (Noakhali), Mr.

Habibul Huq, Mr. Syed.

Hafizuddin Choudhuri, Mr.

Hamiduddin Ahmed, Mr.

Hassan Ali, Mr.

Hatem Ally, Khan Sahib.

Junab Ali Mia, Mr.

Kabir Ahmed Choudhury, Mr.

Kazem Ali Mirza, Shahibzada Kawan Jah Sayid

Khairat Hossain, Mr.

Khuda Buksh, Mr. Md.

Khurram Khan Panee, Mr.

Lutfar Rahman, Mr.

Lutfar Rahman, Mr. Dewan.

Madar Bux, Mr.

Mafizuddin Ahmed, Mr.

Mahammad Afzal, Mr. Syed.

Mahammad Owais, Mr.

Mahammad Sayeed Mia, Mr.

- Majibur Rahman, Mr.  
Malik, Dr. A.M.  
Maniruddin Akhand, Mr.  
Martuza Reza Chowdhury, Mr.  
Masihuddin Ahmed (alias Raja Miah) Mr.  
Mazharul Haque, Mr. Abu Taiyab.  
Mobarak Ali Ahmed, Mr.  
Mohammed Ali, The Hon'ble Mr.  
Muhammad Habibullah Chaudhury, MR.  
Muhammad Ishaque, Mr.  
Muhammad Israil, Mr.  
Muhammad Quasem, Maulana Haji.  
Muhammad Ruknuddin, Mr.  
Muzaffar Rahman Choudhury, Mr.  
Najmul Huq, Md., Mr.  
Nasarulla, Mr. K.  
Nawab Ali, Mr.  
Nawajesh Ahmed, Mr.  
Nazir Hossain Khandkgr, Mr. Nuruzzaman, Mr.  
Nurul Amin, The Hon'ble Mr.  
Osman Ali, Mr.

Osman Gani, Mr. Md.

Paniruddin Ahmed, Mr.

Salim, Mr. S.A.

Serajul Haque, Mr. Syed.

Serajuddin Ahmed, Mr. (Gaibandha).

Serajul Islam, Mr.

Shamsuddin Ahmed, The Hon'ble Mr.

Shamsuddin Ahmed Chowdhury (alias Badsha Mia), Mr.

Shamsuddin Ahmed Khondkar, Mr.

Shamsuddin Sikdar, Mr. Md.

Sharfuddin Ahmad, Mr.

Tofazzal Ali, Mr.

Tofazzel Hossain, Mr.

Yusuf Hossain Chowdhury, Mr.

PRESIDENT : The result of the division is as follows —

In favour of joining the existing Constituent Assembly-34

In favour of joining a new and separate Constituent Assembly-  
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It is now my duty to ascertain the wishes of this part of the Bengal Legislative Assembly as to whether the new province of East Bengal should agree to the amalgamation of Sylhet district with that province if the Referendum to be held in that district in accordance with paragraph 13 of the Statement of His Majesty's Government,

dated June 3, 1947, results in favour of such amalgamation.

Those who are in favour of amalgamation will go to the "Ayes" Lobby and those who are against it will go to the "Noes" Lobby

Members will proceed to record their votes.

**AYES-105.**

Abdul Aziz, Maulana Md.

Abdul Aziz, Munshi, Mr.

Abdul Hafiz, Mr. Mirza.

Abdul Hai, Maulana.

Abdul Hakim Mia, Mr.

Abdul Hamim Vikrampur, Mr. Md.

Abdul Halim, Mr. Molla Mohammad.

Abdul Hamid, Mr.

Abdul Hamid, Mr. A.M.

Abdul Hanman, Mr.

Abdul Karim, Mr.

Abdul Khaliq, Maulvi.

Abdul Mannan, Mr. Fakir.

Abdul Momin, Mr.

Abdullahel Baqui, Maulana Md.

Abdur Rahman Khan, Mr. (alias Nuru Mia).

Abdur Raschid Mahmood, Mr.

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Abdur Rashid, Maulana Khondkar, Tarkabagish.

Abdur Rauf, Mr. Syed.

Abdus Salam, Mr. Md.

Abidur Reza Choudhury, Maulvi.

Abul Kalam Shamsuddin, Mr.

Abul Masud, Mr. Kazi.

Ahammad Ali, Mr. Mir.

Ahmed Ali Mrisha, Mr.

Ahmed Hossain, The Hon'ble Mr.

Ahmed Kabir Chowdhury, Mr.

Akbar Ali, Maulvi.

Ali Ahmed Chowdhury, Mr.

Ali Ahmed Khan, Mr.

Anwara Khatun, Mrs.

Ariff Chaudhury (Dhanu Mia), Mr. Md.

Asan Ali Muktear, Mr.

Aulad Hossain Khan, Mr.

Azizur Rahman, Mr. Syed.

Baduzzaman Muhammad Ilias, Mr.

Bafatuddin Talukdar, Mr. A.K.M.

Barman, Mr. Haran Chandra.

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Barury, The Hon'ble Mr. Dwarka Nath.

Biswas, Dr. Bholā Nath.

Biswas, Mr. Gayanath.

Ebrahim Khan, Maulvi.

Emaduddin Ahammad, Mr.

Eskandar Alī Khan, Mr.

Farid Ahmad Chowdhury, Mr.

Fazlul Karim, Mr.

Fazlul Quadir, Mr.

Fazlur Rahman (Dacca), The Hon'ble Mr.

Fazlur Rahman (Mymensingh), Mr.

Fazlur Rahman (Noakhali), Mr.

Habibul Huq, Mr. Syed.

Hafizuddin Choudhuri Mr.

Hamiduddin Ahmed, Mr.

Hassan Ali, Mr.

Hatem Ally, Khan Sahib.

Junab Ali Mia, Mr.

Kabir Ahmed Choudhury, Mr.

Kazem Ali Mirza, Shahibzada Kawan Jah Saiyid.

Khairat Hossain, Mr.

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Khuda Buksh, Mr. Md.

Khurram Khan Panee, Mr.

Lutfar Rahman, Mr.

Lutfar Rahman, Mr. Dewan.

Madar Bux, Mr.

Mafizuddin Ahmed, Mr.

Mahammad Afzal, Mr. Syed.

Mahammad Owais, Mr.

Mahammad Sayeed Mia, Mr.

Majibur Rahman, Mr.

Malik, Dr. A.M.

Maniruddein Akhand, Mr.

Martuza Reza Chowdhury, Mr.

Masihuddin Ahmed (alias Raja Miah), Mr.

Mazharul Haque, Mr. Abu Tayyab.

Mobarak Ali Ahmed, Mr.

Mohammed Ali, The Hon'ble Mr.

Muhammad Habibullah Chaudhury, Mr.

Muhammad Ishaque, Mr.

Muhammad Israil, Mr.

Muhammad Quasem, Maulana Haji.

Muhammad Ruknuddin, Mr.

Muzaffar Rahman Choudhury, Mr.

Najmul Huq, Md. Mr.

Nasarulla, Mr. K.

Nawab Ali, Mr.

Nawajesh Ahmed, Mr.

Nazir Hossain Khandkar, Mr.

Nuruzzaman, Mr.

Nurul Amin, The Hon'ble Mr.

Osman Ali, Mr.

Osman Gani, Mr. Md.

Paniruddin Ahmed, Mr.

Ray, The Hon'ble Mr. Nagendra Narayan.

Salim, Mr. S.A.

Serajul Haque, Mr. Syed.

Serajuddin Ahmed, Mr. (Gaibandha).

Serajul Islam, Mr.

Shamsuddin Ahmed, The Hon'ble Mr.

Shamsuddin Ahmed Chowdhury (alias Badsha Mia). Mr.

Shamsuddin Ahmed Khondkar, Mr.

Shamsuddin Sikdar, Mr. Md.

Sharfuddin Ahmad, Mr.

Tafazzal Ali, Mr.

Tofazzel Hossain, Mr.

Yusuf Hossain Chowdhury, Mr.

**NOES-34**

Acharjee, Mr. Shitangshu Kanta.

Adhikary, Mr. Amulya Chandra.

Bhattacharjee, Mr. Ganendra Chandra

Bhattacharjee, Mr. Munindra Nath

Bhattacharyya, Mr. Shyamapada

Birsha, Mr. Bir.

Chakraborty, Mr. Benode Chandra.

Chakravarty, Mr. Satish Chandra.

Chatterjee, Mr. Haripada.

Das, Mr. Brojomadhab.

Das, Mr. Jogendra Chandra.

Das Gupta, Mr. Suresh Chandra

Datta, Mr. Dharendra Nath

Dhar, Mr. Manoranjan.

Ghosh Chowdhury, Mr. Haran Chandra.

Guha Roy, Dr. Protap Chandra.

Gupta, Mr. Manoranjan.

Haldar, Mr. Kuber Chand.

Kundu, Mr. Nishitha Nath.

Lahiry, Mr. Provas Chandra.

Nandy, Maharaja Sris Chandra, of Cossimbazar.

Pramanik, Mr. Purna Chandra.

Roy, Mr. Dhananjoy.

Roy, Mr. Harendra Nath.

Roy, Mr. Kiran Sankar.

Roy, Mr. Ram Hari.

Sarkar, Mr. Bijoy Krishna.

Sarkar, Mr. Prafulla Ranjan.

Singhi, Mr. Narendra Singh.

Sinha, Kumar Arun Chandra.

Sen, Mrs. Ashalata.

Sen, Mr. Satindra Nath.

Sen Gupta, Mrs. Nellie

Thakur, Mr. Promotha Ranjan.

PRESIDENT : The result of the division is as follows :—

In favour of amalgamation of Sylhet-105.

Against amalgamation-34.

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Before you disperse I have an informal announcement to make which may be of help to the honourable members. The decision taken today that there shall be partition in Bengal involves fresh elections to the Constituent Assembly of your choice. The official announcement cannot, of course, issue until the Governor-General has received official intimation of today's decisions, but I have been asked to say that the programme for the election from this "part" of the House will be as follows :—

Date by which nomination papers must be received by the Secretary, Legislative Assembly. 30th June, 1947, 11 a.m.

Scrutiny.-1st July, 1947, 11 a.m.

Withdrawal.-2nd July, 1947, 12 noon.

Poll.-5th July, 1947, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

For the convenience of members, especially party leaders, a number of advance copies of the nomination form are available now with the Secretary of the House. Each member will in any case receive a nomination form along with the official instructions for the election as soon as possible after the Governor-General's announcement has been made.

The Hon'ble Mr. MOHAMMED ALI : Sir, will it be the same procedure as in the last time?

PRESIDENT : Yes. The meeting is closed

**APPENDIX-I**

Rules of procedure for the Meeting of the Members of the Bengal Legislative Assembly under paragraphs 5 to 8 of H.M.G.'s Statement of June 3rd, 1947

Definitions. 1. In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires -

- (a) "Governor" means the Governor of Bengal.
- (b) "Meeting" means an assembly of members convened under paragraphs 5 to 8 of H.M.G.'s Statement of June 3rd, 1947
- (c) "Member" means a member of the Bengal Legislative Assembly other than a European member.
- (d) "President" means the person appointed by the Governor to preside over a meeting or any one designated by the President to preside temporarily during the unavoidable absence of the President.
- (e) "Secretary" means -

For the Muslim majority "part". -The Secretary to the Bengal Legislative Assembly and includes any person for the time being performing the duties of Secretary.

For the two "parts" sitting jointly.-The Secretary, Bengal Legislative Assembly, and includes any person for the time being performing the duties of Secretary.

For the non-Muslim majority "part".-The Secretary to the Bengal Legislative Council and includes any person for the time being performing the duties of Secretary.

2. The meeting shall transact only the business referred to in paragraphs 6, 7, 8 or 13 (for Muslim majority group) of H.M.G.'s

Statement of the 3rd June, 1947, and the consideration of such business shall not on the day or days allotted therefor, be preceded by any motion for adjournment or be interrupted in any manner whatsoever.

Quorum. 3. One-sixth of the total number of members of the meeting will form the quorum.

Power to  
preserve  
order

4.(1) The President shall preserve order and have all powers necessary for the purpose of enforcing his decision

(2) He may direct any member whose conduct in his opinion is grossly disorderly to withdraw immediately from the meeting, and any member so ordered to withdraw shall do so forthwith and shall absent himself during the remainder of the day's meeting

(3) Notwithstanding the provisions of rule 8 the President may, in the case of great disorder arising in the meeting or for any sufficient cause, suspend any sitting for a time to be named by him not exceeding two days.

Motion. 5. A matter requiring the decision of the meeting shall be brought forward by means of a question put by the President.

6. Except with the permission of the President no member shall speak or raise a point of order.

Voting. 7. (1) Votes will be taken by division :

Provided that in framing the Rules of Procedure votes may be taken by voices or by such other method as the president may direct.

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(2) The President may exercise his right of voting but will not have a second or a casting vote.

(3) The President shall determine the method of recording his vote.

(4) In the case of equality of votes the President shall immediately report the matter to the Governor.

Adjournment 8. (1) A meeting may be adjourned by the President till of meeting. such date and time as he may determine :

Provided that the President shall not adjourn the meeting for more than two days except with the consent of not less than three fourths of the members present.

(2) On the conclusion of the business before the meeting the President shall declare the meeting closed.

Full report of proceedings. 9. The Secretary shall cause to be prepared a full report of the proceedings of the meeting at each of its sittings. and publish it as soon as practicable.

Admission of strangers. 10. (1) The admission to the place of meeting of persons other than members shall be regulated according to the orders of the President.

(2) The President, whenever he thinks fit, may exclude persons other than members and the officers and staff on duty from the place of meeting or its galleries.

Decision of the President. 11. In all matters relating to procedure or the conduct of the business of the meeting the decision of the President shall be final.

Power of president to 12. The President may, by orders not inconsistent either with these Rules or with the Announcement made by the

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take orders  
give direc-  
tions, Governor-General of India on the 10th June, 1947, provide for matters for which no provision is made and may give such direction as may be necessary for giving effect to these Rules and such orders.

Interpreta- 13. If any doubt arises as to the interpretation of any of  
tion. the provisions of these Rules, the decision of the President shall be final.

**APENDIX-II**

Proceedings of the meeting of the Part of the Bengal Legislative Assembly representing areas other than the Muslim majority districts.

(Convened under paragraphs 5 to 8 of the Statement by H.M.G. on the 3rd June, 1947.)

Friday, the 20th June, 1947.

Maharajadhiraja Bahadur Sir Uday Chand Mahtab, K.C.I.E., of Burdwar, was in the Chair.

(Morning Session 11 a.m. to 11-05 a.m.)

Mr. PRESIDENT : Order, order. Gentlemen, the rules have been circulated to you and yesterday it was decided at the Party Leaders' meeting to follow these rules. So I do not propose to read out those rules again. Will those in favour of the rules kindly signify their assent that the rules are allright ?

(Honourable members signified their assent by raising their hands.)

Mr. PRESIDENT : Therefore the rules are carried unanimously.

I now enquire of all members of this Part of the Legislative Assembly as to whether there is any member who demands a joint meeting of the two parts of the Assembly other than Europeans, at which a decision should be taken on the issue as to which Constituent Assembly the Province as a whole would join if it were decided by the two parts to remain united.

Mr. DHIRENDRA NARAYAN MUKHERJEE : I demand. Sir, to have a joint sitting.

Mr. PRESIDENT : I find that there is a demand for a meeting of all members of the Bengal Legislative Assembly other than Euro-

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peans at which a decision will be taken on the issue as to which Consituent Assembly the Province as a whole would join if it were decided by the two parts to remain united I have to mform the honourable members that the joint meeting will be held at 3 O'clock today at the Assembly Chamber and this Section will reassemble 15 minutes after the conclusion of the joint meeting.

The House now stands adjourned.

(Afternoon Session - 3.35 p.m to 4-05 p.m )

The House reassembled at 3-35 p.m

Mr. PRESIDENT : Order, order. It is now the duty of this part of the Bengal Legislative Assembly to decide by vote whether the Province of Bengal should be partitioned

The question before the House is whether the Province of Bengal should be partitioned.

Those who are in favour will please go to the "Ayes" lobby on he right and those against will please go to the "Noes" lobby on the left.

I take it that no member wishes the Division bell to be rung

(After the Division )

Mr. PRESIDENT : I hope all members present here have recorded their votes.

The results of the Division are Ayes 58 and Noes 21

So the Ayes have it

Ladies and gentlemen, it is now the duty of this part of the Bengal Legislative Assembly to decide by vote whether the constitution of the separated Province consisting of the non-Muslim majority areas

should be framed in the existing Constituent Assembly.

The question before the House is whether the constitution of the separated Province consisting of the non-Muslim majority areas should be framed in the existing Constituent Assembly.

Those in favour will please go to the "Ayes" lobby on the right and those against will please go to the "Noes" lobby on the left.

(After the Division.)

Mr. PRESIDENT : I hope all members have recorded their votes.

The results of the Division are-Ayes 58 and Noes 21.

So the "Ayes" have it.

Now, ladies and gentlemen, before you disperse I have an informal announcement to make which may be of help to you. The decision taken today that there shall be partition in Bengal involves fresh elections to the Constituent Assembly of your choice. The official announcement cannot of course issue until the Governor General has received official intimation of today's decision. But I have been asked to say that the programme for the election from this Part of the House will be as follows :—

The date by which Nomination Papers must be received by the Secretary, Bengal Legislative Council - 30th June, 1947, at 11 a.m.

AN HONOURABLE MEMBER : The Nomination Paper is to be sent to the Secretary, Bengal Legislative Council, or the Secretary, Bengal Legislative Assembly ?

Mr. PRESIDENT : No, to the Secretary, Bengal Legislative Council.

Scrutiny. - On the 1st July, 1947, at 11 a.m.

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Withdrawal. - On the 2nd July, 1947, 12 noon.

Polling. - On the 4th July, 1947, between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

This of course is regarding this Section of the House.

For the convenience of members, especially of Party Leaders, a number of advance copies of nomination forms are available now with the Secretary of this House. Each member will, in any case, receive a nomination form along with the official instructions for the election as soon as possible after the Governor-General's announcement has been made.

Well, ladies and gentlemen, this concludes the business of the meeting.

The meeting thereafter terminated at 4-05 p.m.

**APPENDIX A.**

Rules of procedure for the Meeting of the Members of the Bengal Legislative Assembly under paragraphs 5 to 8 of H.M.G.'s Statement of June, 1947.

Definition. 1. In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires--

- (a) "Governor" means the Governor of Bengal.
- (b) "Meeting" means an assembly of members convened under paragraphs 5 to 8 of H.M.G.'s Statement of June 3rd, 1947
- (c) "Member" means a member of the Bengal Legislative Assembly other than a European member.
- (d) "President" means the person appointed by the Governor to preside over a meeting or any one designated by the President to preside temporarily during the unavoidable absence of the President.
- (e) "Secretary" means--

For the Muslim majority "part".--The Secretary to the Bengal Legislative Assembly and includes any person for the time being performing the duties of Secretary.

For the two "parts" sitting jointly.--The Secretary, Bengal Legislative Assembly, and includes any person for the time being performing the duties on Secretary.

For the non-Muslim majority "part".--The Secretary to the Bengal Legislative Council and includes any person for the time being performing the duties of Secretary.

2. The meeting shall transact only the business referred to in paragraphs 6, 7, 8 or 13 (for Muslim majority group) of H.M.G.'s Statement of the 3rd June, 1947, and the consideration of such business shall not on the day or days allotted

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therefor, be preceded by any motion for adjournment or be interrupted in any manner whatsoever.

Quorum        3. One-sixth of the total number of members of the meeting will form the quorum.

Power to preserve order        4. (1) The President shall preserve order and have all powers necessary for the purpose of enforcing his decision

(2) He may direct any member whose conduct in his opinion is grossly disorderly to withdraw immediately from the meeting, and any member so ordered to withdraw shall do so forthwith and shall absent himself during the remainder of the day's meeting.

(3) Notwithstanding the provisions of rule 8 the President may, in the case of great disorder arising in the meeting or for any sufficient cause, suspend any sitting for a time to be named by him not exceeding two days

Motion        5. A matter requiring the decision of the meeting shall be brought forward by means of a question put by the President

Voting        6. Except with the permission of the President no member shall speak or raise a point of order

7. 1) Votes will be taken by division

Provided that in framing the Rules of Procedure votes may be taken by voices or by such other method as the President may direct.

(2) The President may exercise his right of voting but will not have a second or a casting vote

(3) The President shall determine the method of recording his vote.

(4) In the case of equality of votes the President shall immediately report the matter to the Governor.

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**Adjournment of meeting** 8. (1) A meeting may be adjourned by the President till such date and time as he may determine :

Provided that the President shall not adjourn the meeting for more than two days except with the consent of not less than three-fourths of the members present.

(2) On the conclusion of the business before the meeting the President shall declare the meeting closed.

**Full report of proceedings.** 9. The Secretary shall cause to be prepared a full report of the proceedings of the meeting at each of its sittings, and publish it as soon as practicable.

**Admission of strangers** 10. (1) The admission to the place of meeting of persons other than members shall be regulated according to the orders of the President.

(2) The President, whenever he thinks fit, may exclude persons other than members and the officers and staff on duty from the place of meeting or its galleries.

**Decision of the President.** 11. In all matters relating to procedure or the conduct of the business of the meeting the decision of the President shall be final.

**Power of president to make order and give directions** 12. The President may, by orders not inconsistent either with these Rules or with the Announcement made by the Governor General of India on the 10th June, 1947, provide for matters for which no provision is made and may give such direction as may be necessary for giving effect to these Rules and such orders.

**Interpretation** 13. If any doubt arises as to the interpretation of any of the provisions of these Rules, the decision of the President shall be final.

**APPENDIX B.**

Divisions I and II

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Gobindalal Banerjee.

Pramatha Nath Banerjee.

Sibnath Banerjee.

Susil Kumar Banerjee.

Suresh Chandra Banerjee.

Mohini Mohan Barman.

Hemanta Kumar Basu.

Jyoti Basu.

Charu Chandra Bhandan.

Satish Chandra Bose.

Ratanlal Brahmin.

Mihir Lal Chattopadhyay.

Annada Prosad Choudhury.

Miss Bina Das.

Radha Nath Das.

Sir Uday Chand Mahtab.

Nikunja Behari Maiti.

Bishapati Majhi.

Bhusati Majumdar

Iswar Chandra Mal.

Ashutosh Mullick.

Annada Prasad Mandal.

Bankubehari Mandal.

Krishna Prasad Mandal.

Syamaprasad Mookerjee.

Dhirendra Narayan Mukherjee.

Kalipada Mukherjee.

Mukunda Behary Mullick

Basantilal Murarka.

Khagendra Nath Das Gupta.

Kanailal Das.

Kanai Lal De.

Harendra Nath Dolui.

Sukumar Dutta.

Niharendu Dutt-Mazumdar.

Bipin Bihari Ganguli.

Arabinda Gayen.

A.K. Ghose.

Bimal Comar Ghose.

D. Gomes.

Damber Singh Gurung.

Iswar Das Jalan.

Debi Prosad Khaitan.

Charu Chandra Mahanty.

Ardhendu Sekhar Naskar.

Hem Chandra Naskar.

Jadabendra Nath Panja.

L.R. Pentony.

R.E. Platel.

Anandilal Poddar.

Rajani Kanta Pramanik.

Kamal Krishna Ray.

Jogneswar Roy.

Mrs. E.M. Ricketts.

Rajendra Nath Sarkar.

Debendra Nath Sen.

Bimal Chandra Sinha.

G.C.D. Wilks.

**NOES-21.**

Abdul Aḥad.

A.F.M. Abdur Rahman

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Abdus Sabar Khan.

Abul Hashem.

Husan Ara Begum.

Ilias Ali Molla.

M.A.H. Ispahani.

Jasimuddin Ahmed.

Mahammad Sharif Khan

Mozammel Hossain.

Muhammad Idris.

Muhammad Qumruddin.

Muhammad Rafique.

Syed Muhammad Siddique.

Musharuff Hossain.

K. Nooruddin.

Serajuddin Ahmed (Midnapore).

H.S. Suhrawardy.

A.M.A. Zaman.

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