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Congress MP submits privilege notice against Nirmala

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Congress MP T N Prathapan on Saturday submitted a breach of privilege notice against Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman for describing Rahul Gandhi as 'Doomsday Man of India' and accusing

him of joining the fringe groups, during her reply to the Budget discussion in Lok Sabha.

Rahul is also facing a breach of privilege notices submitted by four BJP MPs on Friday for asking members during his

speech on Budget to observe silence to mourn the death of farmers during agitation without the permission of the Chair. In his letter, Prathapan alleged that Sitharaman "abused" Rahul and her remarks were "utter breach of privilege". He claimed she falsely accused Rahul with serious allegations like "demeaning India" among others.

"Using words like 'Doomsday Man of India' to address a member of the House is also an attack on the pride and privilege of the Parliament. We cannot entertain a tendency of branding dissent voices and

speech on Budget to observe silence to mourn the death of farmers during agitation without the permission of the Chair.

In his letter Prathapan alleged that criticisms as fringe or destructive or anti-national. We cannot encourage it in the House for what matter it is," Prathapan wrote in his notice.

During her reply to the discussion on Budget, Sitharaman said Rahul is probably becoming a "doomsday man" for India by constantly insulting constitutional functionaries and creating fake narratives on various issues.

She was responding to Rahul's speech on Thursday, during which he refused to talk about Budget and instead focussed on farm laws.

First phase of Budget Session concludes

The first phase of Budget Session concluded on Saturday with the Lo Sabha announcing adjournment of the House till March 8, reports DHNS. Lok Sabha Speaker Om Bir adjourned the House till 4 pm on March 8 after the passing of the Jamu and Kashmir Reorganisation (Amendment) Bill, 2021.

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