

Uproar in Jharkhand Assembly over labour amendment acts

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RANCHI: Uproarious scenes were on Monday witnessed in Jharkhand Assembly as the opposition demanded withdrawal of labour amendment acts forcing Speaker Dinesh Oraon to adjourn the House thrice.

The opposition members trooped to the Well in protest against the Contractual Labour Amendment Act, 2015 and Contract Labour (Regulation & Abolition-1948) Jharkhand Amendment Act, which were passed by voice vote on Friday.

Leader of the Opposition Hemant Soren of the Jharkhand Mukti Morcha termed it as anti-labour as it would increase exploitation. He demanded a review of the Acts.

The opposition did not heed to the Speaker's ruling that their demand was not within the rules.

During the course of the protests, Parliamentary Affairs Minister Saryu Roy suggested that the opposition could bring whatever amendments it wanted through the process of business instead of disrupting the House.

Labour, Employment, Training & Skill Development Minister Raj Paliwar said the opposition was anti-labour as it walked out when the bills were passed.



A view of the on-going winter session of Jharkhand Assembly.

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