

LOK SABHA

BULLETIN – PART I (Brief Record of Proceedings)

Friday, December 16, 2022/Agrahayana 25, 1944 (Saka)

No. 200

11.00 A.M.

1. Starred Questions

Starred Question Nos. 141–144, 145 (clubbed with 148), 146 and 147 were orally answered. Replies to Starred Question Nos. 149–160 were laid on the Table.

2. Unstarred Questions

Replies to Unstarred Question Nos. 1611–1840 were laid on the Table.

12.00 Noon

3. Papers laid on the Table

The Minister of Women and Child Development; and Minister of Minority Affairs (Smt. Smriti Zubin Irani) laid on the Table a copy of the Integrated Nutrition Support Programme – Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan (2.0), Rules, 2022 (Hindi and English versions) published in Notification No. G.S.R.766(E) in Gazette of India dated 6th October, 2022 under sub-section (3) of Section 39 of the National Food Security Act, 2013.

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Tourism (Shri Shripad Yesso Naik) laid on the Table a copy of the Memorandum of Understanding (Hindi and English versions) between the Cochin Shipyard Limited and the Ministry of Ports, Shipping &

Waterways for the year 2021-2022.

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Defence; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Tourism (Shri Ajay Bhatt) laid on the Table:-

- (1) A copy each of the following papers (Hindi and English version)
 - (i) Memorandum of Understanding between the Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited and the Department of Defence Production, Ministry of Defence for the year 2022-2023.
 - (ii) Memorandum of Understanding between the Mishra Dhatu Nigam Limited and the Department of Defence Production, Ministry of Defence for the year 2022-2023.
 - (iii) Memorandum of Understanding between the Hindustan Shipyard Limited and the Department of Defence Production, Ministry of Defence for the year 2022-2023.
 - (iv) Memorandum of Understanding between the BEML Limited and the Department of Defence Production, Ministry of Defence for the year 2022-2023.
 - (v) Memorandum of Understanding between the Goa Shipyard Limited and the Department of Defence Production, Ministry of Defence for the year 2022-2023.
 - (vi) Memorandum of Understanding between the Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers Limited and the Department of Defence Production, Ministry of Defence for the year 2022-2023.
- (2)
 - (i) A copy of the Annual Report (Hindi and English versions) of the Nehru Institute of Mountaineering, Uttarkashi, for the year 2021-2022, alongwith Audited Accounts.
 - (ii) A copy of the Review (Hindi and English versions) by the Government of the working of the Nehru Institute of

Mountaineering, Uttarkashi, for the year 2021-2022.

- (3)
 - (i) A copy of the Annual Report (Hindi and English versions) of the National Institute of Mountaineering and Allied Sports, West Kameng, for the year 2021-2022, alongwith Audited Accounts.
 - (ii) A copy of the Review (Hindi and English versions) by the Government of the working of the National Institute of Mountaineering and Allied Sports, West Kameng, for the year 2021-2022.
- (4)
 - (i) A copy of the Annual Report (Hindi and English versions) of the Himalayan Mountaineering Institute, Darjeeling, for the year 2021-2022, alongwith Audited Accounts.
 - (ii) A copy of the Review (Hindi and English versions) by the Government of the working of the Himalayan Mountaineering Institute, Darjeeling, for the year 2021-2022.
- (5) A copy each of the following papers (Hindi and English versions) under sub-section 1(b) of Section 394 of the Companies Act, 2013:-
 - (a)
 - (i) Review by the Government of the working of the Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited, Mumbai, for the year 2021-2022.
 - (ii) Annual Report of the Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited, Mumbai, for the year 2021-2022, alongwith Audited Accounts and comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.
 - (b)
 - (i) Review by the Government of the working of the Mishra Dhatu Nigam Limited, Hyderabad, for the year 2021-2022.
 - (ii) Annual Report of the Mishra Dhatu Nigam Limited, Hyderabad, for the year 2021-2022, alongwith Audited Accounts and comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.
 - (c)
 - (i) Review by the Government of the working of the Hindustan

Aeronautics Limited, Bengaluru, for the year 2021-2022.

- (ii) Annual Report of the Hindustan Aeronautics Limited, Bengaluru, for the year 2021-2022, alongwith Audited Accounts and comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.
- (d) (i) Review by the Government of the working of the Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers Limited, Kolkata, for the year 2021-2022.
- (ii) Annual Report of the Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers Limited, Kolkata, for the year 2021-2022, alongwith Audited Accounts and comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.
- (e) (i) Review by the Government of the working of the Goa Shipyard Limited, Vasco-da-Gama, for the year 2021-2022.
- (ii) Annual Report of the Goa Shipyard Limited, Vasco-da-Gama, for the year 2021-2022, alongwith Audited Accounts and comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Culture (Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal) on behalf of the Minister of State in the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers (Shri Bhagwanth Khuba) laid on the Table:-

- (1) A copy each of the following papers (Hindi and English versions) under sub-section 1(b) of Section 394 of the Companies Act, 2013:-
 - (i) Review by the Government of the working of the Hindustan Organic Chemicals Limited, Navi Mumbai, for the year 2021-2022.
 - (ii) Annual Report of the Hindustan Organic Chemicals Limited, Navi Mumbai, for the year 2021-2022, alongwith Audited Accounts and comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

- (2) A copy of the Annual Report (Hindi and English versions) of the National Institute of Pharmaceuticals Education & Research, Guwahati, for the year 2021-2022, alongwith Audited Accounts.
- (3) A copy of the Annual Report (Hindi and English versions) of the National Institute of Pharmaceuticals Education & Research, Raebareli, for the year 2021-2022, alongwith Audited Accounts.
- (4) A copy of the Annual Report (Hindi and English versions) of the National Institute of Pharmaceuticals Education & Research, Hyderabad, Telangana, for the year 2020-2021, alongwith Audited Accounts.
- (5) Statement (Hindi and English versions) showing reasons for delay in laying the papers mentioned at (4) above.
- (6) A copy of the Drugs (Prices Control) Amendment Order, 2021 (Hindi and English versions) published in Notification No. S.O.2899(E) in Gazette of India dated 20th July, 2021 under sub-section (6) of Section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Dr. Bharati Pravin Pawar) laid on the Table:-

- (1) A copy each of the following Notifications (Hindi and English versions) under sub-section (3) of Section 16 of the Indian Nursing Council Act, 1947:-
 - (i) The Indian Nursing Council (Nurse Practitioner in Critical Care Post Graduate Residency Program-Corrigendum) Regulations, 2022 published in Notification No. F.No. 11-1/2019-INC in Gazette of India dated 24th December, 2021.
 - (ii) The Indian Nursing Council (Post Basic Diploma in Critical Care Specialty Nursing – Residency Program) Regulations, 2022 published in Notification No. F.No. 11-1/2022-INC in Gazette of

India dated 24th June, 2022.

- (iii) The Indian Nursing Council (Revised Regulations and Curriculum for B.Sc. (Nursing) Program-Corrigendum) Regulations, 2022 published in Notification No. F.No. 11-1/2022-INC in Gazette of India dated 19th April, 2022.
- (2) Statement (Hindi and English versions) showing reasons for delay in laying the papers mentioned at Item No. (i) of (1) above.
- (3) A copy of the National Commission for Allied and Healthcare Professions 4th (Removal of Difficulties) Order, 2022 (Hindi and English versions) published in Notification No. S.O.5322(E) in Gazette of India dated 16th November, 2022 under sub-section (2) of Section 69 of the National Commission for Allied and Healthcare Professions Act, 2021.
- (4) A copy each of the following Notifications (Hindi and English versions) under Section 38 of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940:-
 - (i) The Drugs (Sixth Amendment) Rules, 2022 published in Gazette of India Notification No. G.S.R. 623(E) dated 10th August, 2022.
 - (ii) The New Drugs and Clinical Trials (Third Amendment) Rules, 2022 published in Notification No. G.S.R.778(E) in Gazette of India dated 14th October, 2022.
 - (iii) The Medical Devices (Fifth Amendment) Rules, 2022 published in Notification No. G.S.R.754(E) in Gazette of India dated 30th September, 2022.
 - (iv) The Medical Devices (Sixth Amendment) Rules, 2022 published in Notification No. G.S.R.777 (E) in Gazette of India dated 14th October, 2022.
 - (v) The Drugs (Seventh Amendment) Rules, 2022 published in Notification No. G.S.R.654 (E) in Gazette of India dated 24th August,

2022.

- (5) A copy each of the following Notifications (Hindi and English versions) under Section 93 of the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006:-
- (i) The Food Safety and Standards (Food Products Standards and Food Additives) Second Amendment Regulations, 2022 published in Notification No. F.No. STD/FA/A-1.30/No.1/2020-FSSAI(P.1) in Gazette of India dated 27th October, 2022.
 - (ii) The Food Safety and Standards (Approval for Non-Specified Food and Food Ingredients) First Amendment Regulations, 2022 published in Notification No. F.No. STD/EC/T(NSF-01) in Gazette of India dated 12th October, 2022.
- (6) (i) A copy of the Annual Report (Hindi and English versions) of the Population Research Centre, Department of Economics, University of Lucknow, Lucknow, for the year 2021-2022, alongwith Audited Accounts.
- (ii) A copy of the Review (Hindi and English versions) by the Government of the working of the Population Research Centre, Department of Economics, University of Lucknow, Lucknow, for the year 2021-2022.
- (7) (i) A copy of the Annual Report (Hindi and English versions) of the Population Research Centre, Department of Statistics, Patna University, Patna, for the year 2021-2022, alongwith Audited Accounts.
- (ii) A copy of the Review (Hindi and English versions) by the Government of the working of the Population Research Centre, Department of Statistics, Patna University, Patna, for the year 2021-2022.

- (8) (i) A copy of the Annual Report (Hindi and English versions) of the Population Research Centre, University of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram, for the year 2021-2022, alongwith Audited Accounts.
- (ii) A copy of the Review (Hindi and English versions) by the Government of the working of the Population Research Centre, University of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram, for the year 2021-2022.
- (9) (i) A copy of the Annual Report (Hindi and English versions) of the Population Research Centre, Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla, for the year 2021-2022, alongwith Audited Accounts.
- (ii) A copy of the Review (Hindi and English versions) by the Government of the working of the Population Research Centre, Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla, for the year 2021-2022.
- (10) (i) A copy of the Annual Report (Hindi and English versions) of the Population Research Centre, Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, Pune, for the year 2021-2022, alongwith Audited Accounts.
- (ii) A copy of the Review (Hindi and English versions) by the Government of the working of the Population Research Centre, Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, Pune, for the year 2021-2022.
- (11) (i) A copy of the Annual Report (Hindi and English versions) of the Population Research Centre, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam, for the year 2021-2022, alongwith Audited Accounts.
- (ii) A copy of the Review (Hindi and English versions) by the Government of the working of the Population Research Centre, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam, for the year 2021-2022.

- (12) (i) A copy of the Annual Report (Hindi and English versions) of the Regional Institute of Paramedical & Nursing Sciences, Aizawal, for the year 2020-21, alongwith Audited Accounts.
- (ii) Statement regarding Review (Hindi and English versions) by the Government of the working of the Regional Institute of Paramedical & Nursing Sciences, Aizawal, for the year 2020-21.
- (13) Statement (Hindi and English versions) showing reasons for delay in laying the papers mentioned at (12) above.
- (14) (i) A copy of the Annual Report (Hindi and English versions) of the All India Institute of Medical Sciences Deoghar, for the year 2020-2021, alongwith Audited Accounts.
- (ii) A copy of the Review (Hindi and English versions) by the Government of the working of the All India Institute of Medical Sciences Deoghar, for the year 2020-2021.
- (15) Statement (Hindi and English versions) showing reasons for delay in laying the papers mentioned at (14) above.
- (16) (i) A copy of the Annual Report (Hindi and English versions) of the All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Patna for the year 2020-2021, alongwith Audited Accounts.
- (ii) A copy of the Review (Hindi and English versions) by the Government of the working of the All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Patna, for the year 2020-2021.
- (17) Statement (Hindi and English versions) showing reasons for delay in laying the papers mentioned at (16) above.
- (18) (i) A copy of the Annual Report (Hindi and English versions) of the All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Hyderabad, for the year 2020-2021, alongwith Audited Accounts.

- (ii) A copy of the Review (Hindi and English versions) by the Government of the working of the All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Hyderabad, for the year 2020-2021.
- (19) Statement (Hindi and English versions) showing reasons for delay in laying the papers mentioned at (18) above.
- (20) (i) A copy of the Annual Report (Hindi and English versions) of the All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Rajkot, for the year 2020-2021, alongwith Audited Accounts.
- (ii) A copy of the Review (Hindi and English versions) by the Government of the working of the All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Rajkot, for the year 2020-2021.
- (21) Statement (Hindi and English versions) showing reasons for delay in laying the papers mentioned at (20) above.
- (22) (i) A copy of the Annual Report (Hindi and English versions) of the All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Bathinda, for the year 2020-2021, alongwith Audited Accounts.
- (ii) A copy of the Review (Hindi and English versions) by the Government of the working of the All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Bathinda, for the year 2020-2021.
- (23) Statement (Hindi and English versions) showing reasons for delay in laying the papers mentioned at (22) above.

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Women and Child Development; and Minister of State in the Ministry of AYUSH (Dr. Munjapara Mahendrabhai) laid on the Table:-

- (1) A copy of the National Commission for Indian System of Medicine (Minimum Standard of Undergraduate Sowa-Rigpa Education) Regulations, 2022 (Hindi and English versions) published in Notification

No. F.No.18-12/2022-BUSS (SOWA-RIGPA-UG-MSE) in Gazette of India dated 16th November, 2022 under Section 56 of the National Commission for Indian System of Medicine Act, 2020.

- (2) (i) A copy of the Annual Report (Hindi and English versions) of the Central Council for Research in Unani Medicine, New Delhi, for the year 2021-2022, alongwith Audited Accounts.
- (ii) A copy of the Review (Hindi and English versions) by the Government of the working of the Central Council for Research in Unani Medicine, New Delhi, for the year 2021-2022.

*The Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance (Shri Pankaj Chaudhary) on behalf of the Minister of Finance; and Minister of Corporate Affairs (Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman) laid on the Table a copy of the following notifications (Hindi and English versions) under sub-section (2) of Section 38 of the Central Excise Act, 1944:-

- * (1) Notification No. 1/2022-Service Tax to be published in Gazette of India dated 16th December, 2022 together with an explanatory memorandum notifying that the service tax payable under Section 66B of the Finance Act, 1994, on the "light-dues" collected by the Directorate General of Lighthouses and Lightships under the Lighthouse Act, 1927, in the period commencing on and from the 1st day of July, 2012 and ending with the 30th day of June, 2017, shall not be required to be paid.
- * (2) Notification No. 42/2022-Central Excise published in Gazette of India dated 15th December, 2022 together with an explanatory memorandum making certain amendments in the Notification No. 18/2022-Central Excise dated 19th July, 2022 seeking to reduce the Special Additional Excise Duty on production of Petroleum Crude and export of Aviation Turbine Fuel.
- * (3) Notification No. 43/2022-Central Excise published in Gazette of India dated 15th December, 2022 together with an explanatory memorandum making certain amendments in the Notification No. 4/2022-Central Excise dated 30th June, 2022 seeking to reduce the Special Additional Excise Duty on Diesel.

*At 12.02 P.M.

4. Statement of Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes

Dr. Kirit P. Solanki laid the Final Action Taken Statement (Hindi and English versions) of the Government on the recommendations contained in Chapter I of the Twelfth Report (17th Lok Sabha) of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes regarding Action Taken by the Government in the Fourth Report (17th Lok Sabha) pertaining to the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting on the subject 'ways and means to ensure reservation for SCs and STs in the Light of privatisation, outsourcing of work and contractual employment in Government Services, PSUs and Autonomous Bodies – with special reference to Prasar Bharati'.

5. Report of Study Visit of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes

Dr. Kirit P. Solanki laid the Study Visit Report (Hindi and English versions) of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes to Mussoorie, Hyderabad and Ooty from 18th August 2022 To 24th August 2022.

6. Reports of Standing Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment

Shrimati Rama Devi presented the following Reports (Hindi and English versions) of the Standing Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment:-

- (1) Forty-second Report of the Committee on 'Review of the functioning of National Institutes established for different types of disabilities' of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities).
- (2) Forty-third Report on Action Taken by the Government on the observations/recommendations contained in the Thirty-first Report of the

Committee on 'Demands for Grants (2022-23)' of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (Department of Social Justice and Empowerment).

7. Statements by Minister

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Defence; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Tourism (Shri Ajay Bhatt) laid the following statements (Hindi and English versions) regarding:-

- (i) the status of implementation of Recommendations contained in the 19th Report of the Standing Committee on Defence on Demands for Grants (2021-22) on General Defence Budget, BRO, ICG, Defence Estates Organisation, DPSUs, CSD, Welfare of Ex-Servicemen and Defence Pension (Demand Nos. 18 and 21) pertaining to the Ministry of Defence.
- (ii) the status of implementation of Recommendations contained in the 20th Report of the Standing Committee on Defence on Demands for Grants (2021-22) on Army, Navy, Air Force, Joint Staff, Military Engineer Services, Ex-Servicemen Contributory Health Scheme and Sainik School (Demand Nos. 19 and 20) pertaining to the Ministry of Defence.
- (iii) the status of implementation of Recommendations contained in the 21st Report of the Standing Committee on Defence on Demands for Grants (2021-22) on Capital Outlay on Defence Services, Procurement Policy, Defence Planning and Married Accommodation Project (Demand No. 20) pertaining to the Ministry of Defence.
- (iv) the status of implementation of Recommendations contained in the 22nd Report of the Standing Committee on Defence on Demands for

Grants (2021-22) on 'Ordnance Factories, DRDO, DGQA and NCC (Demand Nos. 19 and 20)' pertaining to the Ministry of Defence.

***12.06 P.M.**

8. Statement by Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs (Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal) made a statement regarding Government Business for the week commencing the 19th December, 2022.

(Lok Sabha adjourned at 1.21 P.M. and re-assembled at 2.29P.M.)

2.29 P.M.

9. Matters Under Rule 377

- (1) Shri Devji M Patel raised a matter regarding need to provide Mahi river water through Sujalam Suflam canal to Jalore and Sirohi districts in Rajasthan.
- (2) Shri Vinayak B. Raut raised a matter regarding demands of Pensioners under Employees Pension Scheme (EPS)-1995.
- (3) Shri Sudarshan Bhagat raised a matter regarding alleged unethical medical practices by private hospitals under Ayushman Bharat Scheme.
- (4) Shri Sangam Lal Gupta raised a matter regarding construction of a Railway under Bridge at level crossing no. 82B in Pratapgarh Parliamentary constituency.
- (5) Shri Vinod Kumar Sonkar raised a matter regarding 'One Nation One Voter ID'.

*From 12.08 P.M. to 1.21 P.M., Members raised matters of urgent public importance.

- (6) Shri Sunil Kumar Soni raised a matter regarding approval for construction of new houses under the PM Awas Yojana in rural areas of Chhattisgarh.
- (7) Shri Vijay Baghel raised a matter regarding need to revise the eligibility criteria for various posts in central PSUs in accordance with the Notification of National Skills Qualification Framework.
- (8) Shri Bhola Singh raised a matter regarding setting up of CGHS dispensaries in Bulandshahr, Uttar Pradesh.
- (9) Shri Dharambir Singh raised a matter regarding need to build city Gas Distribution Network for supply of CNG & PNG in Bhiwani-Mahendragarh parliamentary constituency, Haryana.
- (10) Shri R. K. Singh Patel raised a matter regarding need to make available adequate quantity of DAP and Urea to farmers in Chitrakoot and Banda districts of Uttar Pradesh.
- (11) Shri Janardan Mishra raised a matter regarding appointment of farmers and their dependant family members in the Railway department displaced under Rewa-Sidhi-Singrauli Railway Project.
- (12) Shri Vivek Narayan Shejwalkar raised a matter regarding need to increase the production of Active Pharmaceuticals Ingredients in the country.
- (13) Shri Raju Bista raised a matter regarding conduct of 3-tier Panchayat Elections in Darjeeling and Kalimpong Districts.
- (14) Shri Abdul Khaleque raised a matter regarding construction of two expressways along the banks of Brahmaputra river from Sadiya to Dhubri.
- (15) Shri Pradyut Bordoloi raised a matter regarding need to take urgent measures for mitigating global warming.
- (16) Dr. B.V. Satyavathi raised a matter regarding Demands of fishermen in Anakapalli district affected due to new Naval Base.

- (17) Smt. Veena Devi raised a matter regarding introduction of regular flight services from Patahi airport in Muzaffarpur district, Bihar.
- (18) Shri Hasnain Masoodi raised a matter regarding construction of roads in Jammu and Kashmir.
- (19) Shri Naba Kumar Sarania raised a matter regarding acute shortage of water for drinking & irrigation purpose in Kokrajhar parliamentary constituency.

3.01 P.M.

10. Government Bill – Passed

The Constitution (Scheduled Tribes) Order (Third Amendment) Bill, 2022

Time Allotted : 02 Hrs.
Time Taken: 02 Hrs. 19 Mts.

Further discussion on the motion for consideration of the Bill moved by Shri Arjun Munda, continued.

The following members took part in the debate:-

1. Shri Ram Kripal Yadav
2. Shri Abdul Khaleque
3. Shri Hasnain Masoodi
4. Shri B.B. Patil

Shri Arjun Munda replied to the debate.

The motion for consideration was adopted and clause-by-clause consideration of the Bill was taken up.

Clause 2 was adopted.

Clause 1, the Enacting Formula and the Long Title were also adopted.

The motion that the Bill be passed, was moved by Shri Arjun Munda.

The motion was adopted and the Bill was passed.

3.35 P.M.

11. Private Members' Resolution – Negatived

Further Discussion on the following resolution moved by Shri Ritesh Pandey on the 20th March, 2020, continued :-

“Keeping in view that the Anganwadi Workers and Anganwadi Helpers provide many essential health and welfare services to women, children and adolescents, this House urges upon the Government to take following immediate steps to uplift their working conditions -

- (1) regularisation of employment of Anganwadi Workers and Anganwadi Helpers;
- (2) changing the nomenclature of compensation category of Anganwadi Workers and Anganwadi Helpers from “Honorarium” to “Salary”;
- (3) payment of adequate amount of compensation to Anganwadi Workers and Anganwadi Helpers, which would reflect importance of their services to the society;
- (4) improving working conditions of Anganwadi Workers and Anganwadi Helpers and upgrading every Anganwadi Centre with all basic facilities including availability of Safe drinking water, clean toilets and proper ventilation; and
- (5) payment of all dues including pending rent for Anganwadi Centres which are being run on rented accommodation in the country.”.

The following members took part in the debate:-

1. Shri Gopal Chinayya Shetty
2. Shri Suresh Kodikunnil
3. Dr. M.P. Abdussamad Samadani
4. Shri N.K. Premachandran

5. Shri Jasbir Singh Gill
6. Shri Nihal Chand Chauhan
7. Kunwar Danish Ali
8. Shri Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury

Smt. Smriti Zubin Irani replied to the debate.

The Resolution was put to vote and negatived.

5.04 P.M.

12. Private Members' Resolution – Under Consideration

Shri Reddeppa Nallakonda Gari moved the following resolution:-

“Having regard to the facts that-

- (i) Indian Railways are one of the largest transportation and logistics networks in the world and are drivers of the socio-economic development of the country; Indian Railways account for one per cent of India's Gross National Product and serve as the backbone of core sector's freight needs;
- (ii) India has a vast history of railway development with an extensive network of train lines and stations built in the last century; Railways transport over twenty-four million passengers each day, connecting 8000 stations across the country;
- (iii) Railway stations in the country have evolved as key urban centres with commercial and infrastructural developments around over the years;
- (iv) owing to the rapid changes taking place in the Indian economy huge investments are necessary to transform and modernise railway infrastructure;
- (v) various schemes including Model, Modern and Adarsh Station Scheme have been formulated for beautification and modernization of stations on Indian Railways in the last two decades and the priority under said modernisation schemes have been on improving passenger amenities at select A1 and A category stations only;

- (vi) there is an inordinate delay in the operationalization of the Visakhapatnam-based South Coast Railway Zone in the State of Andhra Pradesh with the Detailed Project Report of the zone is pending with the Railway Ministry; and
- (vii) there is no Railway Recruitment Board in the upcoming South Coast Railway Zone in the State of Andhra Pradesh due to which job seekers are forced to travel to the State of Telangana to appear for railway recruitment exams,

this House urges upon the Government to-

- (a) take immediate action for the beautification and modernization of the remaining stations targeted to be developed under the Adarsh Station Scheme;
- (b) ensure modernization and upgradation of all the railway stations in the country; and
- (c) expedite the operationalisation of the South Coast Railway Zone and creation of a Railway Recruitment Board for the zone."

Shri Reddeppa Nallakonda Gari also spoke on the Resolution.

The following members took part in the debate:-

1. Shri Thomas Chazhikadan
2. Shri Jasbir Singh Gill
3. Shri Sangam Lal Gupta
4. Shri Mukesh Rajput

The discussion was not concluded.

6.00 P.M.

(Lok Sabha adjourned till 11.00 A.M., Monday, the 19th December, 2022.)

UTPAL KUMAR SINGH
Secretary General