

LOK SABHA

SYNOPSIS OF DEBATES (Proceedings other than Questions & Answers)

Wednesday, December 12, 2018/Agrahayana 21, 1940 (Saka)

OATH BY MEMBERS

Following Members took oath as follows, signed the Roll of Members and took their seats in the House:

S.No.	Name of Member	Constituency	State	Oath or Affirmation	Language
1.	Shri Venkatapura Subbaiah Ugrappa	Bellary	Karnataka	Oath	Kannada
2.	Shri L.R. Shivaram Gowda	Mandya	Karnataka	Oath	Kannada

OBITUARY REFERENCE

HON'BLE SPEAKER: Hon'ble Members, I have to inform the House about the sad demise of eleven former members, namely, Sarvashri Mansoor Ali Khan, Puran Chandra, P. Manik Reddy, Gurudas Kamat, Mohan Jain, Shantaram

Potdukhe, Smt. Kamla Kumari, Sarvashri Narayan Datt Tiwari, Madan Lal Khurana, Narayan Swaroop Sharma and C.K. Jaffer Sharief.

Shri Mansoor Ali Khan was a member of the 13th Lok Sabha representing the Saharanpur Parliamentary Constituency of Uttar Pradesh. He was a member of the Committee on Defence from 1999 to 2000.

Shri Mansoor Ali Khan passed away on 15 August, 2018 in New Delhi at the age of 77.

Shri Puran Chandra was a member of the 8th Lok Sabha representing the Hathras Parliamentary Constituency of Uttar Pradesh. Shri Puran Chandra served as member of the Uttar Pradesh Legislative Assembly for three terms from 1969 to 1984. An active social worker, Shri Puran Chandra founded many educational institutions and actively participated in social welfare and public works.

Shri Puran Chandra passed away on 15 August, 2018 in Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh at the age of 84.

Shri P. Manik Reddy was a member of the 8th Lok Sabha representing the Medak Parliamentary Constituency of Andhra Pradesh, now in Telangana. He was a member of the Committee on Government Assurances.

Shri P. Manik Reddy passed away on 19 August, 2018 in Hyderabad, Telangana at the age of 75.

Shri Gurudas Kamat was a member of the 8th, 10th, 12th, 14th and 15th Lok Sabha representing the Bombay North-East, Mumbai North-East and Mumbai

North-West Parliamentary Constituencies of Maharashtra respectively. Shri Gurudas Kamat was Union Minister of State for Communications and Information Technology and Home Affairs. An able parliamentarian, Shri Kamat was Chairman of Committee on Energy and also member of various Parliamentary Committees.

Shri Gurudas Kamat passed away on 22 August, 2018 in New Delhi at the age of 63.

Shri Mohan Jain was a member of the 6th Lok Sabha representing the Durg Parliamentary Constituency of Madhya Pradesh, now in Chhattisgarh. An active social worker, Shri Jain was associated with numerous social welfare and religious activities.

Shri Mohan Jain passed away on 16 September, 2018 in Bhilai, Chhattisgarh at the age of 83.

Shri Shantaram Potdukhe was a member of the 7th to 10th Lok Sabha representing the Chandrapur Parliamentary Constituency of Maharashtra. Shri Potdukhe was Union Minister of State for Finance from 1991 to 1993. An able parliamentarian, Shri Potdukhe was a member of various Parliamentary Committees. An active social and political worker, Shri Potdukhe worked for the promotion of education and was associated with several educational institutes. He participated in Goa Liberation movement.

Shri Shantaram Potdukhe passed away on 23 September, 2018 in Nagpur, Maharashtra at the age of 85.

Smt. Kamla Kumari was a member of the 4th, 5th, 7th and 8th Lok Sabha representing the Palamu Parliamentary Constituency of Bihar, now in Jharkhand. She was the Union Deputy Minister for Agriculture and Rural Reconstruction from 1982 to 1983. Smt. Kamla Kumari was the Chairman of Joint Committee on Office of Profit and member of various Parliamentary Committees. A widely travelled person, Smt. Kamla Kumari was a member of the Indian Delegation to the 38th United Nations General Assembly Session at New York in 1983. Smt. Kamla Kumari worked for Girls' education and upliftment of underprivileged sections of the society.

Smt. Kamla Kumari passed away on 9 October, 2018 in Ranchi, Jharkhand at the age of 81.

Shri N.D. Tiwari was the member of 7th, 11th and 13th Lok Sabha representing the Nainital Parliamentary Constituency of Uttar Pradesh, now in Uttarakhand. He was also a member of Rajya Sabha from 1985 to 1988. Shri N.D. Tiwari was Union Minister for Finance and Commerce, External Affairs, Planning and Industry and also held additional charge of the Ministry of Steel and Mines, Labour and Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas. Shri Tiwari had the unique distinction of having served as the Chief Minister of two States, Uttar Pradesh for three terms and Uttarakhand for one term. He also served as Minister in different

capacity in the Government of Uttar Pradesh. Shri Tiwari was the member of the Uttar Pradesh Legislative Assembly for nine terms. He was a member of Uttar Pradesh Legislative Council and a member of Uttarakhand Legislative Assembly. He was also a leader of opposition in Uttar Pradesh Legislative Assembly for four terms. He served as Governor of Andhra Pradesh and Deputy Chairman of the Planning Commission. An able parliamentarian, Shri N.D. Tiwari served as the Chairman of Committee on Public Accounts and also was a member of various Parliamentary Committees. A freedom fighter, Shri N.D. Tiwari participated in the freedom movement during 1942-44. A man of letters, he was the editor of “Prabhat” and contributed numerous articles in Amrit Bazar Patrika, Leader, Deshdoot, National Herald, Pioneer and Blitz etc. He also published a book namely “European Miscellany”.

Shri N.D. Tiwari passed away on 18 October, 2018 in New Delhi at the age of 93.

Shri Madan Lal Khurana was a member of the 9th, 10th, 12th and 13th Lok Sabha representing South Delhi and the Delhi Sadar Parliamentary Constituency of NCT of Delhi respectively. Shri Madan Lal Khurana was the Chief Minister of Delhi from 1993 to 1996 and also served as Union Minister for Parliamentary Affairs and Tourism from 1998 to 1999. During his long parliamentary and political career, Shri Khurana was the Governor of Rajasthan in 2004 and also served as a member of various parliamentary committees.

Shri Madan Lal Khurana passed away on 27 October, 2018 in New Delhi at the age of 82.

Shri Narayan Swaroop Sharma was the member of the 4th Lok Sabha representing the Domariaganj Parliamentary Constituency of Uttar Pradesh. Shri Sharma was a member of Rules Committee, Library Committee and Joint Committee on Judges (Inquiry) Rules.

Shri Narayan Swaroop Sharma passed away on 7 November, 2018 in London at the age of 88 years.

Shri C.K. Jaffer Sharief was the member of 5th to 10th and 12th and 13th Lok Sabha representing the Mysore-Kanakpura and Bangalore North Parliamentary Constituencies of Karnataka respectively. Shri C.K. Jaffer Sharief served as Union Cabinet Minister for Railways and Union Minister of State for Railways, Irrigation and Coal. An able parliamentarian, Shri Sharief served as the member of various Parliamentary Committees.

Shri C.K. Jaffer Sharief passed away on 25 November, 2018 in Bengaluru, Karnataka at the age of 85.

We deeply mourn the loss of our eleven former colleagues. I am sure the House would join me in conveying our condolences to the bereaved families.

The Members then stood in silence for a short while.

RESIGNATION BY MEMBER

HON'BLE SPEAKER: Hon. Members, I have to inform the House that Shri Conrad Kongkal Sangma, an elected Member from the Tura Parliamentary Constituency of Meghalaya has resigned from the membership of Lok Sabha. I have accepted his resignation with effect from 4 September, 2018.

FELICITATION BY THE SPEAKER

HON'BLE SPEAKER: Hon. Members, with great pleasure I have to inform the House that Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) has launched GSAT-11 satellite into space from the French Guiana Space Port of Kourou in South America on 5.12.2018. GSAT-11 with a weight of approx. 5854 kg is the heaviest satellite built by ISRO. This satellite will play an important role in providing broadband services across the country. Apart from that, it will also provide satellite based internet services in remote areas where cable based internet services are inaccessible.

Hon. Members, ISRO has also successfully launched GSAT-29 satellite and Hyper Spectral Imaging Satellite into the space on 14th and 29th November, 2018.

Hon. Members, It is a matter of great pride for all of us that our colleague in Rajya Sabha, Smt. M.C. Mary Kom has won a historic sixth gold medal in the 48

kg. category in World Boxing Championship held in New Delhi on 24th November, 2018. Ms. Sonia Chahal has also won a silver medal in the 57 kg. category.

The House congratulates both of them and also congratulates the ISRO team and wish them success in their future endeavours.

THE DAM SAFETY BILL, 2018

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION (SHRI ARJUN RAM MEGHWAL) moved that leave be granted to introduce a Bill to provide for surveillance, inspection, operation and maintenance of specified dams for prevention of dam failure related disasters and to provide for institutional mechanism to ensure their safe functioning and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB *opposing the introduction of the Bill,* *said:* I stand here to oppose the introduction of this Bill because it does not come under the purview of this House or the Parliament. The Union Government does not have legislative competence to legislate on this Bill as the subject comes under the purview of State Governments as per List II (2017) of Seventh Schedule of the

Constitution of India. Further, I would also like to mention that the preamble of the Dam Safety Bill of 2010 does not find place in the present Bill of 2018. Lastly, I would also mention that the Committee, which was formed subsequently takes note that the regulation of safety of dams has not yet been declared by the Parliament to be expedient in public interest. Therefore, I stand here and would like to state that our Party opposes the introduction of this Bill.

SHRI ARJUN RAM MEGHWAL: In response to certain objections raised by our learned Member, I would like to submit that the Bill was introduced in the 15th Lok Sabha and had been referred to the Standing Committee which made certain observations. On the completion of terms of 15th Lok Sabha, this Bill was reintroduced during 16th Lok Sabha. In so far as the issue of competency is concerned, let me enlighten the hon. Member of the fact that Article 252 clearly states that in case of two States' being in agreement, the motion is passed and a motion to this effect had already been passed by Andhra Pradesh and West Bengal which naturally confers legislative competency upon the Central Government. Entry 56 and 97 of the Article 246 reinforces our legislative competence. Therefore, I introduce this Bill.

The Bill was introduced.

***MATTERS UNDER RULE 377**

1. **SHRIMATI MALA RAJYALAKSHMI SHAH** laid a statement regarding need to run a Toy Train between Mussoorie and Dehradun in Uttarakhand.
2. **SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL** laid a statement regarding need to enact a law to regulate functioning of sports federations in the country.
3. **SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL** laid a statement regarding need to expedite launching a ropeway service at Jalore Fort in Rajasthan.
4. **SHRI KIRTI AZAD** laid a statement regarding need to provide drinking water in Darbhanga Parliamentary Constituency, Bihar and also compensation to farmers who lost their crops due to inadequate irrigation facilities.
5. **SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY** laid a statement regarding need to set up new thermal power plants at Chandrapura and Bokaro in Jharkhand.
6. **SHRI LAXMAN GILUWA** laid a statement regarding need to establish a Kendriya Vidyalaya in Dehua Posi in Singhbhum Parliamentary Constituency, Jharkhand.

* Laid on the Table as directed by the Speaker.

7. **SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SINGH** laid a statement regarding need to provide stoppage of various trains at railway stations under Aurangabad parliamentary constituency, Bihar.
8. **SHRI RAM TAHAL CHAUDHARY** laid a statement regarding need to stop the move to close down schools having fewer number of students in Jharkhand and also regularize the services of eligible para teachers in the State.
9. **SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA** laid a statement regarding need to include Udaipur city in Rajasthan under B-2 category cities.
10. **SHRI AJAY MISRA TENI** laid a statement regarding need to ban plastic for packaging food items and take adequate measures for recycling of plastic garbage.
11. **DR. UDIT RAJ** laid a statement regarding need to introduce All India Judicial Services.
12. **SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN** laid a statement regarding need to provide special package to Kerala affected by floods.
13. **SHRI V. ELUMALAI** laid a statement regarding need to provide financial assistance to cyclone-hit Tamil Nadu.
14. **SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR** laid a statement regarding need to set up Multi-purpose cyclone Centres in Tamil Nadu.

15. **SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU** laid a statement regarding devastation caused by cyclone 'TITLI' in Sirkakulam district of Andhra Pradesh.
16. **SHRI P. KARUNAKARAN** laid a statement regarding need to include Tulu language in the Eight Schedule to the Constitution.
17. **SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SADANAND SULE** laid a statement regarding fixation of Minimum Support Price.
18. **SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR** laid a statement regarding need for all-round development of Rajgir, Nalanda and Bodh Gaya in Bihar.
19. **SHRI RAJU SHETTY** laid a statement regarding need to fill vacant posts of teachers in the country.
20. **SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN** laid a statement regarding need to establish a Kendriya Vidyalaya at Punalur in Kollam, Kerala.

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