LOK SABHA

BULLETIN - PART I

(Brief Record of Proceedings)

Thursday, August 5, 2021/Sravana 14, 1943 (Saka)

No. 127

11.00 A.M.

1. *Felicitations by the Speaker

The Speaker, on behalf of the House, congratulated Men's Hockey Team for winning Bronze Medal in Tokyo Olympics.

He also congratulated Ms Lovlina Borgohain for winning bronze medal in Boxing in Tokyo Olympics.

11.02 A.M.

2. Starred Questions

Question No. 241, 242, 244, 245, 247 and 251 were orally answered.

Replies to Question Nos. 243, 246, 248–250, 252 were laid on the Table.

(Due to interruptions, Lok Sabha adjourned at 11.27 A.M. and re-assembled at 12.00 Noon.)

Replies to Question Nos. 253–260 were laid on the Table.

3. Unstarred Questions

Replies to Unstarred Question Nos. 2761–2990 were laid on the Table.

^{*}Original in Hindi. For details, please see the debate of the day.

4. ***Observation by Speaker**

The Speaker appealed to the Members to maintain Parliamentary tradition in the House.

12.00 Noon

5. Papers laid on the Table

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 Jal Shakti (Shri Gajendra Singh Shekhawat) 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:-
- (a) (i) Statement regarding Review by the Government of the working of the National Projects Construction Corporation Limited, New Delhi, for the year 2019-2020.
 - (ii) Annual Report of the National Projects Construction Corporation Limited, New Delhi, alongwith Audited Accounts and comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.
- (b) (i) Statement regarding Review by the Government of the working of the WAPCOS Limited, New Delhi, for the year 2019-2020.
 - (ii) Annual Report of the WAPCOS Limited, New Delhi, for the year 2019-2020, alongwith Audited Accounts and comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.
- (2) Two statements (Hindi and English versions) showing reasons for delay in laying the papers mentioned at (1) above.

^{*}Made at 11.26 A.M. Original in Hindi. For details, please see the debate for the day.

- (3) (i) A copy of the Annual Accounts (Hindi and English versions) of the National Mission for Clean Ganga, New Delhi, for the year 2019-2020, together with Audit Report thereon.
 - (ii) A copy of the Review (Hindi and English versions) by the Government on the Audited Accounts of the National Mission for Clean Ganga, New Delhi, for the year 2019-2020.
- (4) Statement (Hindi and English versions) showing reasons for delay in laying the papers mentioned at (3) above.
- (5) (i) A copy of the Annual Report (Hindi and English versions) of the Polavaram Project Authority, Hyderabad, for the year 2019-2020.
 - (ii) A copy of the Review (Hindi and English versions) by the Government of the working of the Polavaram Project Authority, Hyderabad, for the year 2019-2020.
- (6) Statement (Hindi and English versions) showing reasons for delay in laying the papers mentioned at (5) above.

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 Power; and Minister of New and Renewable Energy (Shri Raj Kumar Singh) laid on the Table:-

- (1) (i) A copy of the Annual Report (Hindi and English versions) of the Central Power Research Institute, Bengaluru, for the year 2019-2020, alongwith Audited Accounts.
 - (ii) A copy of the Review (Hindi and English versions) by the Government of the working of the Central Power Research Institute, Bengaluru, for the year 2019-2020.
- (2) Statement (Hindi and English versions) showing reasons for delay in laying

the papers mentioned at (1) above.

- (3) A copy of the Damodar Valley Corporation (salaries, allowances and other conditions of service of the Chairman, Members and Member-Secretary of the Corporation) (Amendment) Rules, 2020 (Hindi and English versions) published in Notification No. G.S.R.106(E) in Gazette of India dated 11th February, 2020 issued under sub-section (1) of Section 59 of the Damodar Valley Corporation Act, 1948.
- (4) Statement (Hindi and English versions) showing reasons for delay in laying the papers mentioned at (3) above.
- (5) A copy each of the following Notifications (Hindi and English versions) under Section 179 of the Electricity Act, 2003:-
 - (i) The Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions of Tariff)(First Amendment) Regulations, 2020 published in Notification No. L-1/236/2018/CERC in Gazette of India dated 3rd February, 2021.
 - (ii) The Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Payment of Fee)(Second Amendment) Regulations, 2020 published in Notification No. L-1/160/2020/CERC in Gazette of India dated 2nd November, 2020.
 - (iii) The Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Regulation of Power Supply)(First Amendment) Regulations, 2021 published in Notification No. L-1/42/2010/CERC in Gazette of India dated 12th April, 2021.
 - (iv) The Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Recruitment, Control and Service Conditions of Staff)(Fifth Amendment) Regulations, 2021 published in Notification No. 2/2(2)/2011-Estt./CERC in Gazette of India dated 23rd March, 2021.
 - (v) The Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Power Market) Regulations, 2021 published in Notification No. L-1/257/2020/CERC in Gazette of India dated 16th June, 2021.

- (vi) The Electricity (Amendment) Rules, 2020 published in Notification No. G.S.R.817(E) in Gazette of India dated 31st December, 2020.
- (vii) The Electricity (Late Payment Surcharge) Rules, 2021 published in Notification No. G.S.R.128(E) in Gazette of India dated 22nd February, 2021.
- (viii) The Joint Electricity Regulatory Commission for Union Territories except Delhi (Salary, Allowances and other Conditions of Service of Chairperson and Members) Amendment Rules, 2021 published in Notification No. G.S.R.488(E) in Gazette of India dated 15th July, 2021.
- (ix) The Electricity (Rights of Consumers) Amendment Rules, 2021 published in Notification No. G.S.R.448(E) in Gazette of India dated 29th June, 2021.
- (x) G.S.R.43(E) (in Hindi version only) published in Gazette of India dated 25th January, 2021, containing corrigendum to the Notification No. G.S.R.818(E) dated 31st December, 2020.

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 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 Notification No. G.S.R.359(E) (Hindi and English versions) published in Gazette of India dated 1st June, 2021, approving the Deendayal Port Trust Employees (Recruitment, Seniority and Promotion) Amendment Regulations, 2021 under sub-section (4) of Section 124 of the Major Port Trusts Act, 1963.

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 Road Transport and Highways; and Minister of

State in the Ministry of Civil Aviation (General (Retd.) V. K. Singh) laid on the Table a copy each of the following Notifications (Hindi and English versions) under Section 14A of the Aircraft Act, 1934:-

- (1) The Aircraft (Second Amendment) Rules, 2021 published in Notification No. G.S.R.327(E) in Gazette of India dated 13th May, 2021, together with an explanatory note.
- (2) The Aircraft (Investigation of Accidents and Incidents) Amendment Rules, 2021 published in Notification No. G.S.R.222(E) in Gazette of India dated 30th March, 2021, together with an explanatory note.

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 Housing and Urban Affairs (Shri Kaushal Kishore) laid on the Table:-

- (1) (i) A copy of the Annual Report (Hindi and English versions) of the Central Government Employees Welfare Housing Organisation, New Delhi, for the year 2019-2020, alongwith Audited Accounts.
 - (ii) A copy of the Review (Hindi and English versions) by the Government of the working of the Central Government Employees Welfare Housing Organisation, New Delhi, for the year 2019-2020.
- (2) Statement (Hindi and English versions) showing reasons for delay in laying the papers mentioned at (1) above.
- (3) A copy of the Notification No. G.S.R.471(E) (Hindi and English versions) published in Gazette of India dated 6th July, 2021, notifying the predetermined rates of premium chargeable for different uses/locations, mentioned therein, for the year 2020-21 under Section 58 of the Delhi Development Act, 1957.

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 Home Affairs; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (Shri Nisith Pramanik) laid on the Table:-

- (1) (i) A copy of the Annual Report (Hindi and English versions) of the National Dope Testing Laboratory, New Delhi, for the year 2019-2020, alongwith Audited Accounts.
 - (ii) A copy of the Review (Hindi and English versions) by the Government of the working of the National Dope Testing Laboratory, New Delhi, for the year 2019-2020.
- (2) Statement (Hindi and English versions) showing reasons for delay in laying the papers mentioned at (1) above.
- (3) A copy of the Notification No. F. No. NSU/Ordinances/2021 (Hindi and English versions) published in Gazette of India dated 24th March, 2021 regarding 26 Ordinances and 2 regulations of National Sports University, Imphal, approved by the Executive Council dated 18.01.2021 issued under sub-section (2) of Section 26 of the National Sports University Act, 2018.

6. Report of Committee on Absence of Members from the Sittings of the House

Shri Ravneet Singh presented the Fifth Report (Hindi and English versions) of the Committee on Absence of Members from the Sittings of the House.

7. Report of Committee on Estimates

Shri Girish Bhalchandra Bapat presented the Eleventh Report (Hindi and English Versions) of the Committee on Estimates (2021-22) on the subject

'Review of Performance of Pradhan Mantri Gramin Awaas Yojana' pertaining to the Ministry of Rural Development.

8. Reports of Committee on Subordinate Legislation

Shri Suresh Pujari presented the following reports (Hindi and English versions) of the Committee on Subordinate Legislation:-

- (1) The Twelfth Report on the Prevention of Money-Laundering (Maintenance of Records) Amendment Rules, 2018 [G.S.R.No.456(E) of 2018]-framed under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002.
- (2) The Thirteenth Report on the Ministry of Law and Justice, Legislative Department, Official Languages Wing, (Group 'A' Posts Regional Languages) Recruitment Rules, 2020 [G.S.R.No.39(E) of 2020].
- (3) The Fourteenth Report on action taken by the Government on the Observations/Recommendations contained in the Sixth Report of the Committee on Subordinate Legislation (Seventeenth Lok Sabha) on the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (Assets, Liabilities and Solvency Margin of General Insurance Business) Regulations, 2016.

9. Statements of Standing Committee on Information Technology

Smt. Locket Chatterjee laid the Statements (Hindi and English versions) showing further Action Taken by the Government on the following Reports of the Standing Committee on Information Technology (2020-21):-

- (1) Thirteenth Action Taken Report (17th Lok Sabha) on the recommendations of the Committee contained in their First Report (17th Lok Sabha) on 'Demands for Grants (2019-20)' of the Ministry of Communications (Department of Telecommunications).
- (2) Fourteenth Action Taken Report (17th Lok Sabha) on the recommendations of the Committee contained in their Second Report (17th Lok Sabha) 'Demands for Grants (2019-20)' of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.
- (3) Fifteenth Action Taken Report (17th Lok Sabha) on the recommendations of the Committee contained in their Third Report (17th Lok Sabha) on 'Demands for Grants (2019-20) of the Ministry of Communications (Department of Posts).
- (4) Sixteenth Action Taken Report (17th Lok Sabha) on the recommendations of the Committee contained in their Fourth Report (17th Lok Sabha) on 'Demands for Grants (2019-20) of the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology'.
- (5) Seventeenth Action Taken Report (17th Lok Sabha) on the recommendations of the Committee contained in their Eighth Report (17th Lok Sabha) on 'Demands for Grants (2020-21)' of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.
- (6) Eighteenth Action Taken Report (17th Lok Sabha) on the recommendations of the Committee contained in their Fifth Report (17th Lok Sabha) on 'Demands for Grants (2020-21)' of the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology.
- (7) Nineteenth Action Taken Report (17th Lok Sabha) on the recommendations of the Committee contained in their Sixth Report (17th

- Lok Sabha) on 'Demands for Grants (2020-21)' of the Ministry of Communications (Department of Telecommunications).
- (8) Twentieth Action Taken Report (17th Lok Sabha) on the recommendations of the Committee contained in their Seventh Report (17th Lok Sabha) on 'Demands for Grants (2020-21)' of the Ministry of Communications (Department of Posts).

10. Reports of Standing Committee on Energy

Shri Shivkumar Chanabasappa Udasi presented the following Reports (Hindi and English versions) of the Standing Committee on Energy (2020-21):-

- (1) Eighteenth Report on the subject 'Development of Coal Block allocated to Power Sector Companies'.
- (2) Nineteenth Report on the subject 'Delay in execution/ completion of Power Projects by Power Sector Companies'.
- (3) Twentieth Report on the subject 'Tidal Power Development in India'.

11. Statements of Standing Committee on Food, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution

Shri Sudip Bandyopadhyay laid on the Table the following Action Taken Statements (Hindi and English versions) of the Standing Committee on Food, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution:-

(1) Statement showing Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in Chapters I and V of the 5th Report (17th Lok Sabha) on the recommendations of the Committee contained in 1st Report (17th Lok Sabha) on Demands for Grants

- (2019-20) of the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution (Department of Consumer Affairs).
- (2) Statement showing Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in Chapters I and V of the 6th Report (17th Lok Sabha) on the recommendations of the Committee contained in 2nd Report (17th Lok Sabha) on Demands for Grants (2019-20) of the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution (Department of Food and Public Distribution).
- (3) Statement showing Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in Chapter I of the 7th Report (17th Lok Sabha) on the recommendations of the Committee contained in 3rd Report (17th Lok Sabha) on Demands for Grants (2020-21) of the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution (Department of Food and Public Distribution).
- (4) Statement showing Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in Chapters I and V of the 8th Report (17th Lok Sabha) on the recommendations of the Committee contained in 4th Report (17th Lok Sabha) on Demands for Grants (2020-21) of the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution (Department of Consumer Affairs).

12. Report of Standing Committee on Water Resources

Shri Vijay Baghel presented the Twelfth Report (Hindi and English versions) of the Standing Committee on Water Resources (2020-21) on "Flood Management in the Country including International Water Treaties in the field

of Water Resource Management with particular reference to Treaty/Agreement Entered into with China, Pakistan and Bhutan".

13. Final Action Taken Statements of Standing Committee on Chemicals and Fertilizers

Shri Arun Kumar Sagar laid on the Table the following Five Final Action Taken Statements (Hindi and English versions) showing further Action Taken by the Government on the following Reports of the Standing Committee on Chemicals and Fertilizers (2020-21):-

- (1) 1st Action Taken Report (17th Lok Sabha) on the recommendations of the Committee contained in their 54th Report (16th Lok Sabha) on subject 'Pricing of Drugs with special reference to Drugs (Prices control) Order 2013' (Department of Pharmaceuticals).
- (2) 9th Action Taken Report (17th Lok Sabha) on the recommendations of the Committee contained in their 2nd Report (17th Lok Sabha) on 'Demands for Grants (2019-20)' (Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals).
- (3) 11th Action Taken Report (17th Lok Sabha) on the recommendations of the Committee contained in their 4th Report (17th Lok Sabha) on 'Demands for Grants (2019-20)' (Department of Pharmaceuticals).
- (4) 13th Action Taken Report (17th Lok Sabha) on the recommendations of the Committee contained in their 6th Report (17th Lok Sabha) on 'Demands for Grants (2020-21)' (Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals).
- (5) 15th Action Taken Report (17th Lok Sabha) on the recommendations of the Committee contained in their 8th Report (17th Lok Sabha) on 'Demands for Grants (2020-21)' (Department of Pharmaceuticals).

14. Reports of Standing Committee on Rural Development

Shri Prataprao Jadhav presented the following Reports (Hindi and English versions) of the Standing Committee on Rural Development:-

- (1) Sixteenth Report on Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana Gramin (PMAY-G).
- Seventeenth Report on Action Taken on the Recommendations contained in the Thirteenth Report on Demands for Grants (2021-22) pertaining to Department of Rural Development (Ministry of Rural Development).
- (3) Eighteenth Report on Action Taken on the Recommendations contained in the Fourteenth Report on Demands for Grants (2021-22) pertaining to the Department of Land Resources (Ministry of Rural Development).
- (4) Nineteenth Report on Action Taken on the Recommendations contained in the Fifteenth Report on Demands for Grants (2021-22) pertaining to the Ministry of Panchayati Raj.

15. Statements by Ministers

(1) The Minister of Jal Shakti (Shri Gajendra Singh Shekhawat) laid statement (Hindi and English versions) regarding the status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 10th Report of the Standing Committee on Water Resources on Demands for Grants (2021-2022) pertaining to the Department of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation, Ministry of Jal Shakti.

- (2) The Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas; and Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs (Shri Hardeep Singh Puri)laid the following statements (Hindi and English versions) regarding:
 - (i) the status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 3rd Report of the Standing Committee on Urban Development on Demands for Grants (2019-2020) pertaining to the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.
 - (ii) the status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 4th Report of the Standing Committee on Urban Development on Demands for Grants (2020-2021) pertaining to the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.
- (3) The Minister of Information and Broadcasting; and Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports (Shri Anurag Singh Thakur) laid a statement (Hindi and English versions) regarding the status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 325th Report of the Standing Committee on Education, Women, Children, Youth and Sports on Demands for Grants (2021-2022) pertaining to the Department of Youth Affairs, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.
- (4) The Minister of State in the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (Shri Bhanu Pratap Singh Verma) laid a statement (Hindi and English versions)regarding the status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 300th Report of the Standing Committee on Industry on Demands for Grants (2020-2021) pertaining to the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises.

(Due to interruptions, Lok Sabha adjourned at 12.09 P.M. and re-assembled at 2.01 P.M.)

2.01 P.M.

16. Government Bills – Introduced

- (i) The Central Universities (Amendment) Bill, 2021
- %(ii) The Taxation Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2021

2.03 P.M.

17. Matters under Rule 377

As directed by the Chair, the following members laid on the Table statements on matters sought to be raised by them under Rule 377 as indicated against each:-

- (1) Shri Devji M. Patel regarding CBI Inquiry into alleged kidnapping of a youth in Pali, Rajasthan.
- (2) Shri Suresh Pujari regarding environmental pollution in Jharsuguda district in Bargarh parliamentary constituency, Odisha.
- (3) Shri Jugal Kishore Sharma regarding damage caused to agricultural produce by heavy rains and flood in Jammu & Kashmir.
- (4) Shri Ravindra Kushawaha regarding need to appoint trained technicians for maintenance of water tanks under 'Har Ghar Nal, Har Ghar Jal' Yojana.
- (5) Shri Prabhubhai Nagarbhai Vasava regarding need to construct Community Halls named after 'Birsa Munda'.
- (6) Shri Kunwar Pushpendra Singh Chandel regarding need to promote biogas fuel based public transport system in the country particularly in Bundelkhand region.

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[%]At 5.00 P.M.

- (7) Shri P.P. Chaudhary regarding need to set up a Mega Textile Park in Pali District, Rajasthan.
- (8) Shri Mansukhbhai D. Vasava regarding need to set up an AIIMS in Baroda, Gujarat.
- (9) Shri Arjunlal Meena regarding repair of Badipal dam on Lake Pichola in Udaipur, Rajasthan.
- (10) Smt. Rama Devi regarding need to construct Chakia Bairgania road in Sheohar parliamentary constituency, Bihar.
- (11) Shri Gopal Jee Thakur regarding need to depute Central Armed Police Forces in Darbhanga, Bihar keeping in view the increasing terrorist activities in the region.
- (12) Shri Kuldeep Rai Sharma regarding CGHS facilities for serving employees/pensioners of Union Territories.
- (13) Shri Benny Behanan regarding inclusion of Malayalam in the list of approved languages.
- (14) Shri S. Ramalingam regarding need to restore railway services between Mayiladuthurai and Tharangambadi in Tamil Nadu.
- (15) Shri Arvind Sawant regarding need to take appropriate legislative action to relax the 50% limit of reservation.
- (16) Dr. Alok Kumar Suman regarding need to repair approach roads to various railway stations under the control of railways in Gopalganj parliamentary constituency, Bihar.
- (17) Shri Ram Shiromani Verma regarding need to ensure payment to sugarcane farmers of Balrampur, Uttar Pradesh.
- (18) Shri Kotha Prabhakar Reddy regarding skill upgradation of Weavers in Medak parliamentary constituency.

(19) Smt. Navnit Ravi Rana regarding need to provide a relief package for people affected due to heavy rains and flood in Maharashtra and help people rebuild their damaged homes under PMAY.

(Due to interruptions, Lok Sabha adjourned at 2.03 P.M. and re-assembled at 4.00 P.M.)

4.00 P.M.

18. Messages from Rajya Sabha

Secretary General reported the following messages from Rajya Sabha:-

- (i) That at its sitting held on the 4th August, 2021, Rajya Sabha agreed without any amendment to the Airports Economic Regulatory Authority of India (Amendment) Bill, 2021, as passed by Lok Sabha.
- (ii) That at its sitting held on the 5th August, 2021, Rajya Sabha passed the Constitution (Scheduled Tribes) Order (Amendment) Bill, 2021.

19. Bill as passed by Rajya Sabha — Laid on the Table

The Constitution (Scheduled Tribes) Order (Amendment) Bill, 2021

(Due to continued interruptions, Lok Sabha adjourned at 4.03 P.M. and re-assembled at 5.00 P.M.)

5.03 P.M.

(Due to continued interruptions, Lok Sabha adjourned till 11.00 A.M., Friday, the 6th August, 2021.)

UTPAL KUMAR SINGH Secretary General