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Conference Branch

FUNCTION TO COMMEMORATE 'SAMVIDHAN DIVAS'

Members are informed that a function to commemorate 'SAMVIDHAN DIVAS' will be held on Tuesday, the 26th November, 2019 at 1100 hours in Central Hall, Parliament House. Hon'ble President of India has kindly consented to address the distinguished gathering. Hon'ble Vice-President of India, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India and Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha will also address the distinguished gathering.

An Exhibition on 'History of the Constitution of India' will also be inaugurated by Hon'ble President of India on the above occasion.

Members are cordially invited to attend the function and are requested to occupy their seats in the Central Hall by 1030 hours.

Kind cooperation of members is solicited.

Briefing Session for Hon'ble Members of Parliament.

A Briefing Session on "The Taxation Laws (Amendment) Ordinance, 2019" (Bill is to introduced to replace the ordinance) is being organised for Members of Parliament by Reference Division on 20th November, 2019 from 0930 hours to 1030 hours at Room No 62, Parliament House New Delhi.

Hon'ble Members are requested to kindly make it convenient to attend the Briefing Session.

Parliament Library Facilities for Members of Parliament

The Honourable Members are informed that the Parliament Library, i. e., the *Sansadiya Gyanpeeth* is functional for use of the sitting Members and , Ex- Members of Parliament and sitting Members of State Legislatures. The Library is spread over four floors in the Parliament Library Building in the Parliament Complex and houses about 1.7 million volumes of the following documents:-

- Books including a rich collection of rare and art books; approx 1.25 lakh Indian regional language books; and Reference books which include encyclopedias, Gazetteers; Dictionaries, Directories, Yearbooks, Almanacs, Maps, etc.
- The original calligraphy Constitution of India (Hindi & English) preserved in specific conditions kept in the Parliament Library;
- Government Publications (Central Govt. and State Govt.)
- UN and International Publications;
- Legislative Debates including Debates of select foreign Parliament, viz: Australia, Canada, New Zealand, U.K and U.S.A.;
- Acts and Bills (Acts since 1836);
- Gazettes, and;
- Papers laid on the Table of the House.

Beside above, the Library subscribes to various newspapers and periodicals, some of which are received on complimentary basis. The details in this regard are as mentioned under:-

Newspapers

• English:	28
• Hindi :	18
• Regional Languages :	39
• Foreign Newspapers :	03
Total	88

The Library has also archival record of very old newspapers, e.g. The Hindu since 1947.

Periodicals

• English:	323
• Hindi:	49

• Regional languages:	32
Total:	404

In keeping with the latest technological advances, the Parliament Library has taken initiatives on acquiring building e-resources as well. Following initiatives have been taken in this regard:-

- At present, the Parliament Library has 67 e-books and e- subscriptions on complimentary basis in respect of 41 journals, hard copies of which are being purchased by the Parliament Library.
- The Parliament Library is also subscribing to the global e-gateway of electronic journal through J-Gate Informatics. Through this, 47000+ Journals are accessible for use within the Parliament premises.
- The information about the new additions to the Parliament Library is made available on monthly basis through the Publication 'Parliament Library Bulletin' under the heading ' New Additions' on the Lok Sabha homepage.
- Manupatra-a single user legal database is being subscribed to by the Parliament Library.
- Two audio books in respect of content generated by the Parliament have also been acquired, namely, the Practice and Procedure by M.N. Kaul and K.L. Shakhder; and Directions by the Speaker, Lok Sabha.
- Facilities for accessing the printed content by the visually impaired persons have also been acquired and installed in the Parliament Library.
- The audio speeches (183 in number) of certain dignitaries are also being made available on the Lok Sabha Homepage.
- A "Parliament Digital Library" has been developed and is available for online access at the address <https://eparlib.nic.in> The Parliament Library contains Debates from First Lok Sabha to Seventeenth Lok Sabha, that is, from 1952 to 2019. It also contains Parliamentary Committee Reports since 1952, the President Addresses and Budget Speeches. The rich debates of Provisional Parliament, Constituent Assembly and other documents tracing the history of Indian Parliamentary institutions since 1858 are also available on this website.

To assist in resource sharing amongst various libraries, the Parliament Library also arranges to borrow documents that are not available in the collections of the Parliament Library on inter-library loan from other libraries.

For any assistance in this regard, Members' may kindly contact to Shri Kamal Chaurasia, Assistant Research Officer at telephone number 011-23034654.

No.781

Legislative Branch-II

**THE INDIAN POST OFFICE (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2019 (INSERTION OF NEW CHAPTER IIA)
BY SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE, M.P.**

[Copy of letter No. 27-18/2019-PO dated 13 November, 2019 from Shri Ravi Shankar Prasad, Minister of Communications, Law and Justice and Electronics and Information Technology to the Secretary General, Lok Sabha].

The President, having been informed of the subject matter of the Indian Post Office (Amendment) Bill, 2019 (Insertion of new Chapter IIA) by Shrimati Supriya Sule, M.P., recommends to the House the consideration of the Bill under article 117(3) of the Constitution.

No.782

Legislative Branch-II

**THE BIO-DEGRADABLE PACKAGING MATERIALS (COMPULSORY USE IN PACKING
COMMODITIES) BILL, 2019 BY SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH, M.P.**

[Copy of letter No. 02/21/2019-HSMD dated 31 October, 2019 from Shri Prakash Javadekar, Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Information and Broadcasting and Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises to the Secretary General, Lok Sabha].

The President, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bio-Degradable Packaging Materials (Compulsory Use in Packing Commodities) Bill, 2019 by Shri Parvesh Sahib Singh, M.P., has recommended the consideration of the Bill in Lok Sabha under clause (3) of article 117 of the Constitution in Lok Sabha.

“Orientation Programme for the Members of 17th Lok Sabha”

An Orientation Programme for the Members of 17th Lok Sabha is scheduled to be organized by the Parliamentary Research And Training Institute for Democracies (PRIDE) (erstwhile BPST) of the Lok Sabha Secretariat on 21 November 2019 from 9.30 A.M. to 10.30 A.M.

Dr. Shashi Tharoor, MP will address the Members on ‘Parliamentary Diplomacy’ on 21 November 2019.

Hon’ble Members are requested to make it convenient to attend the Programme at the Main Lecture Hall of PRIDE in Parliament Library Building.

No.784**Digitisation Unit****Parliament Digital Library**

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The Parliament Digital Library is available at eparlib.nic.in and its link has also been given on the Lok Sabha Home page. The website is user friendly and acts as a search engine. For the convenience of Members, a desk has been set up in the Reading Room of Parliament Library, Ground Floor, Parliament House to address their queries relating to Digital Library. For further assistance, Members may kindly contact at 23034060 and 23035481.

Training Programme for Personal Staff of Members of Lok Sabha

The Parliamentary Research and Training Institute for Democracies (PRIDE) erstwhile BPST is organising Training Programmes for Personal Staff of Members of Lok Sabha on 25 and 26 November 2019 and on 05 and 06 December 2019.

Hon'ble Members who are interested in sending their PAs/Personal Staff to attend any one of the Programme as per their convenience may kindly forward their names to the PRIDE erstwhile BPST and they may report to attend the Programme in PRIDE Main Lecture Hall, First Floor PLB on 25 November 2019 or 05 December 2019 at 11.00 A.M. (Contact Numbers: 23034656, 23035593, 23034911).

Hon'ble Members who had already nominated their PAs/Personal Staff for the Training Programme organized by PRIDE on 04 and 05 November 2019 are requested not to send nominations of PAs/Personal Staff for the same.

No.786**Privileges & Ethics Branch****ARREST AND RELEASE OF SHRI H. VASANTHAKUMAR**

The following communication dated 16 November, 2019 from Superintendent of Police, Kanniyakumari district was received on 18 November, 2019:-

“This is to inform that Shri H. Vasanthakumar, Member of Lok Sabha, alongwith others, was arrested at 1155 hrs on 16 November, 2019 while conducting Picket Road agitation demanding to repair the damaged road from Kaavalkinaru to Kaliyakkavilai, and was brought to PD Pillai auditorium, Nagercoil. A case Cr. No. 149/19 u/s 143, 147, 341 and 283 of IPC was registered in Nesamony Nager PS. He was later released on the same day *i.e.*, 16.11.2019 at 1435 hrs.”

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