

# LOK SABHA

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## SYNOPSIS OF DEBATES\* (Proceedings other than Questions & Answers)

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Wednesday, June 19, 2019 / Jyaishta 29, 1941 (Saka)

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### OATH OR AFFIRMATION

The following Members took the oath or made the affirmation as follows, signed the Roll of Members and took their seats in the House.

Sl. No.	Name of Member	Constituency	State	Oath/ Affirmation	Language
1.	Shri Anubhav Mohanty	Kendrapara	Odisha	Oath	Odia
2.	Shri Santosh Kumar	Purnia	Bihar	Oath	Hindi

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### ELECTION OF SPEAKER

**THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI NARENDRA MODI)** moved that Shri Om Birla, a Member of this House, be chosen as the Speaker of this House.

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**THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI RAJNATH SINGH)** seconded the motion.

**THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI AMIT SHAH)** moved that Shri Om Birla, a Member of this House, be chosen as the Speaker of this House.

**THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS AND MINISTER OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)** seconded the motion.

**THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI ARJUN MUNDA)** moved that Shri Om Birla, a Member of this House, be chosen as the Speaker of this House.

**THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. RAMESH POKHRIYAL NISHANK)** seconded the motion.

**THE MINISTER OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI ARVIND SAWANT)** moved that Shri Om Birla, a Member of this House, be chosen as the Speaker of this House.

**SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO RAUT** seconded the motion.

**SHRI PINAKI MISRA** moved that Shri Om Birla, a Member of this House, be chosen as the Speaker of this House.

**SHRI ACHYUTANANDA SAMANTA** seconded the motion.

**SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH BADAL** moved that Shri Om Birla, a Member of this House, be chosen as the Speaker of this House.

**SHRI CHIRAG KUMAR PASWAN** seconded the motion.

**SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH** *Alias* **LALAN SINGH** moved that Shri Om Birla, a Member of this House, be chosen as the Speaker of this House.

**SHRIMATI ANUPRIYA PATEL** seconded the motion.

**THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS(SHRI D.V. SADANANDA GOWDA)** moved that Shri Om Birla, a Member of this House, be chosen as the Speaker of this House.

**SHRI P.V. MIDHUN REDDY** seconded the motion.

**THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS; MINISTER OF COAL AND MINISTER OF MINES(SHRI PRALHAD JOSHI)** moved that Shri Om Birla, a Member of this House, be chosen as the Speaker of this House.

**SHRI P. RAVEENDRANATH KUMAR** seconded the motion.

**SHRI JAYADEV GALLA** moved that Shri Om Birla, a Member of this House, be chosen as the Speaker of this House.

**SHRI ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY** moved that Shri Om Birla, a Member of this House, be chosen as the Speaker of this House.

**SHRI T.R. BAALU** seconded the motion.

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**SHRI ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY** seconded the motion.

**SHRI SUDIP BANDYOPADHYAY** moved that Shri Om Birla, a Member of this House, be chosen as the Speaker of this House.

**SHRI NAMA NAGESWARA RAO** seconded the motion.

**HON. SPEAKER *PRO TEM*** put the motion moved by Shri Narendra Modi and seconded by Shri Rajnath Singh, to the vote of the House.

*The motion was adopted and Shri Om Birla was chosen as the Speaker of the House.*

*Hon. Speaker Pro tem then invited Shri Om Birla to occupy the Chair. Thereafter, the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, Shri Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury, Shri Arvind Sawant, Shri Pinaki Misra and Leaders of some other Parties and Groups conducted Shri Om Birla to the Chair.*

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### **COMPLIMENTS TO SPEAKER *PRO TEM***

**THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS; MINISTER OF COAL AND MINISTER OF MINES (SHRI PRALHAD JOSHI):** I would like to thank Shri Virendra Kumar who has discharged his duties as Speaker *Pro tem*. He has completed entire proceedings of oath/affirmation very smoothly within two days. I profusely thank him on behalf of the Government and hon. Prime Minister also. I also thank the Panel of Chairpersons Shri Kodikunnil Suresh, Shri

Bhartruhari Mahtab and Shri Brijbhushan Sharan Singh for their cooperation. I also thank the Secretary General of Lok Sabha. Under the guidance of the Speaker pro tem and the Panel of Chairpersons, she has completed the work within the time frame. She sat here along with all her staff without going out for a single minute. On behalf of the entire House, I thank all of them. I thank all the Members for their cooperation.

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### **FELICITATIONS TO THE SPEAKER**

**PRIME MINISTER (SHRI NARENDRA MODI):** It is a matter of immense pleasure and pride for all the Members of this House to witness you assuming this Office. It is also a matter of great pride that today we are unanimously approving such a personality to the Office of Speaker who, since his student days, has been active in his social life and dedicated most of the prime time of his life serving the society without any break. As a worker of the Bhartiya Janta Party, he worked in the Yuva Morcha at District, State and National level for almost 15 years. I have had the opportunity to work in the organisation for years and as a colleague, we got the opportunity to work together.

Recently, the country has experienced that the greater the ratio of social service in political career, it gets more recognition in the society. Shri Om Birla is a personality whose working style has been centric towards serving the society.

He has been among the first to reach and extend a helping hand in times of need in the society. I vividly remember that during the devastating earthquake in Gujarat, he camped in Kutch and served the people for a long time. He did not use local resources at all and generated his own resources to serve there for a long period. He was also seen in Uttarakhand during the Kedarnath tragedy. In Kota also, he was engaged in collecting and distributing quilts etc. to the needy with the public participation. He had taken a pledge that no one in Kota will go asleep without a meal. He ran a 'Prasadam' scheme for that purpose. Likewise, he runs 'Paridhan' scheme in which clothes are distributed among the poor and distressed people. In a way he has centered his politics around the service of the people instead of mass movements. Today, while such a compassionate personality will discipline all of us from the Chair of Speaker, he will also inspire us so that this House can give its best to the country. On behalf of this House and all the Members of the Council of Ministers, I assure you that we will give our hundred per cent to make your functioning smooth. If any rules are violated or any interruptions take place from the Treasury Benches then it is within your rights to deal with us firmly in the same manner and we would welcome it as it is necessary that all of us contribute towards maintaining the decorum of the House. I hope that this House will extend its full cooperation to you and I, on my behalf, on behalf of this House and the Treasury Bench extend our best compliments to you.

**SHRI ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY:** I, on behalf of the Congress Party and all of us, congratulate you on being elected to this Office. Through you, I would like to assure the hon. Prime Minister that the intention of our party is very clear. We believe in debate, dissent and decision but we should get the opportunity. It is your responsibility to protect this properly in the Parliament because you are the custodian of the House. Previously, not many Bills out of the Bills which were passed here, were sent to the Standing Committees for their scrutiny. You will have to pay a little attention to this because taking the route of Ordinance frequently is also not good.

**SHRI T.R. BAALU:** On behalf of my party, I profoundly welcome and wish you a great success as a custodian of this temple of democracy. Considering your exemplary experience in Rajasthan Assembly as well as in Lok Sabha, I hope that your leadership will definitely add to the values of the exalted Chair. You should be impartial and you should see that everyone is taken together and proper justice and democracy should be rendered by you.

**SHRI SUDIP BANDYOPADHYAY:** I welcome you on the Chair as the Hon. Speaker of the House. I believe that the Parliament should mainly belong to the Opposition so that the Parliamentary democratic functioning can be more strengthened. What we feel is that the majoritarianism sometimes affects the normal functioning of the House. Whether a House will run or function properly or not, it depends maximum on the Treasury Bench's side. We want to assure you

that we are very much in favour of that the discussion takes place on the floor of the House. So, I would request you to look at both the sides, that is, left and the right sides.

**SHRI P.V. MIDHUN REDDY:** It is worth mentioning that he had started his career as a politician from his college days. He had been elected to the Assembly twice. He has won the Parliamentary elections twice. He has been into a lot of social service activities. We hope that his rich experience and good character will help him run this House efficiently.

**SHRI ARVIND SAWANT:** I am glad that one of my best friends is going to grace the Chair. I wish that the dignity of this House will increase under his guidance. I wish him good luck.

**SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH ALIAS LALAN SINGH:** He has been into politics for a very long time. In the backdrop of his rich organizational experience as a student leader, a social activist and as a Member of Legislative Assembly and this august House, I hope that this House will play a very positive and crucial role in future under his able leadership.

**SHRI PINAKI MISRA:** We are glad that he has been elected for this post. On behalf of my party Biju Janata Dal, I assure him that he will never face any problem from our side in running the House. I would like to add that the practice of sending the bills to the Standing Committee for legislative scrutiny has been



decreased. Further, I wish that he will protect us from a dominant Government which has been elected to run the country.

**SHRI SHYAM SINGH YADAV:** I, on behalf of myself and my Party, congratulate him on this occasion. I would like to request him that as a Speaker he should run the House in a way that we, in the opposition, should not feel discriminated against. I would also like to add that he should give more opportunity to those Members who have been elected first time.

**SHRI NAMA NAGESWARA RAO:** Today, it gives me immense pleasure to speak about you. You are the leader of common man and also a social worker. You are son of a farmer also. Taking the Chair with such a rich background gives the hope to everyone in the House that they will get justice and equal opportunity. We all want that the way all hon. Members have supported your nomination, the same way the hon. Members of all parties, be the small one or the large one will get justice and fair opportunity.

**SHRI CHIRAG KUMAR PASWAN:** Hon. Speaker, Sir, saying anything about you is like showing the lamp to the sun. First, I on the behalf of the national President of our party Shri Ramvilas Paswan ji and on the behalf of the Lok Jan Shakti Party congratulate you and express our good wishes to you. I also express my thanks to hon. Prime Minister for proposing the best possible name for this august Chair. The entire House has supported this name. I hope that all the Members in the House will be benefitted by your rich experience. You are the

source of inspiration for all the young Members like us. I do believe that all the smaller parties will get your patronage and all the Members will get ample opportunity to put forth their views in this august House.

**SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SADANAND SULE:** I take this opportunity to congratulate you. Today, you are taking the dignified and high position of the largest democracy of the world. We extend you our good wishes on the behalf of the NCP. Many a times it happens that some complicated issues crop up in the States then everyone looks up to you and the Parliament. I hope that you will act as an ideal parliamentarian and Speaker with the states in the next 5 years.

**DR. FAROOQ ABDULLAH:** I, on the behalf of my party, congratulate you. I hope that you will give all of us full opportunity to express our views so that we could make a strong nation.

**SHRI P.K. KUNHALIKUTTY:** Sir, my party, IUML, has a very strong secular record of working in this Parliament and also outside this Parliament. So, I assure you all cooperation from our party's side as we heard here, you have a very strong record of public work and working for the poor. I hope, while working in this House, you will also try to give time to the Opposition. Prime Minister has recently made a statement that numbers do not matter but what matters is the feelings of everybody and everybody means every section of the people of the country. Given that, I hope that legislations will not be brought to this House in a casual manner because such initiatives always create a problem. I would like to

take this opportunity to congratulate you on your unanimous election as the Speaker of this House. From my party, I assure you full cooperation.

**SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU:** I, on behalf of my party, my party President and all the MPs of my party extend our heartfelt compliments to you. Just now, we have witnessed that everyone of us has supported your assumption of Office in a collaborative spirit in a bid to add glory to this House and would take sincere endeavours to ensure that you continue to enjoy our untrammelled support in whatever you undertake to do to take the nation to the next level of progress. I would just request you not to give us less time on the basis of our fewer number in the House. I earnestly hope, the way Kota has enabled umpteen number of students in making their mark, the same kind of spirit would be reflected in your patterns of functioning in the House by doing a little bit to maintain an enabling milieu.

**SHRIMATI ANUPRIYA PATEL:** In the first place, I, on behalf of my party, welcome you with all my heart. It is a matter of pride that you will steer this House for a period of five years occupying the chair of Hon. Speaker and all of us will receive your invaluable guidance. There are a number of parties in this House with merely one, two or three Members and my party is no different on this count that has only two elected Members. The implication is that small parties like ours need your protection the most in order that we may get ample opportunity to put forward our views through you. Hon. Prime Minister has elaborated on your

exposure to Parliamentary practice at length, I do not wish to reiterate the same. I am fully confident that the great legacy of our first hon. Speaker Shri G.V. Mavlankar and the legacy of his successors would be further strengthened in your tenure. Alongside, all of us would receive an encouragement to strengthen Parliamentary democracy by way of your guidance. On behalf of my party, I assure you to extend my whole-hearted support in the smooth conduct of the business of the House. I just wish to witness an enhanced glory of this House in your illustrious tenure.

**SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:** I congratulate you on assuming the high Office of Speaker. I hope that you will uphold the theory of separation of powers. I would also like to remind you that you are the referee of this House, You will protect our voice.

**SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH BADAL:** On behalf of people of Punjab and Shiromani Akali Dal, I would like to congratulate you. The hon. Prime Minister has beautifully explained your life. You being a farmer, a social worker and having spent 27 years in public life, are fully aware of the problems of the people. You are connected to the grass root. I would request you, that the minorities, regional parties and States with small numbers should be given more time so that they can express their views because their problems may be bigger than other bigger States.

**SHRI P. RAVEENDRANATH KUMAR:** On behalf of the AIADMK party and on my own behalf, I wholeheartedly congratulate you for becoming the Presiding Officer of this august House. I see in you a seasoned Parliamentarian, an ardent social worker and a simple human being, who has the connect with the masses. I see in you, a philanthropist who has always been kind and helpful to the poor. We have so much expectations from the Union Government led by an ever-inspiring leader, the hon. Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modiji. I am full of hope that genuine demands of my State Tamil Nadu will get due attention and be fulfilled.

**SHRI HANUMAN BENIWAL:** On behalf of RLP Party, people of Rajasthan and youth of the country, I congratulate you on being elected to the highest office of the Parliament of the world's largest democracy. It is a matter of great honour for Rajasthan. As a constituent party of the ruling NDA, we will always keep supporting the Government and hope that you will also protect the small parties like us. Together, we all will build a new country and fulfil the dreams of the hon. Prime Minister.

**SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:** First of all, I congratulate you on behalf of my party RSP in assuming the highest Office of the biggest democracy in the world. I firmly believe that 25 years of experience as a legislator will give fruitful result to the Parliamentary democracy of this country, especially, the 17th Lok Sabha. My humble suggestion before you is that the Speaker has a very

important role in protecting the democratic rights of the members of the Opposition so as to have a healthy democracy in our country. I fully support the observations made by the hon. Prime Minister on the first day, on 17th June, that an active and effective Opposition is required in having a good democracy.

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI RAMDAS ATHAWALE):** Today, it is a moment of great pleasure for us that you have assumed the office of Speaker. My party is also with you. At the same time, I would like to request the Opposition also that your participation is required for running the country and making laws. Hon. Prime Minister is aware to do justice even to the smaller parties and listen to everyone. We will do justice to all the states and which is why our Government will continue to function for five years.

**SHRI MOHANBHAI SANJIBHAI DELKAR:** I associate myself with the motion of thanks. As the Prime Minister stated over here that his nature is simple and his working style is such as will give benefit to not only the House, but I think, to the whole country. I would like and urge upon you to give opportunity in terms of allotting time to representatives elected as independents.

**SHRI THOMAS CHAZHIKADAN:** I take this opportunity to congratulate you on being elected unanimously to this august body of Seventeenth Lok Sabha. While it is a highly prestigious position, it can also be a crown of thorns. I am sure that you will be able to discharge your responsibilities in the House in the true

interest of the entire nation and to protect the interest of all Members irrespective of their Party affiliation. I assure you the whole-hearted support from my Party and myself.

**SHRI NABA KUMAR SARANIA:** On behalf of the people of my Constituency, I extend heartiest congratulation to you. I have been elected for the second term as an independent candidate. I should also get ample opportunity to put my views in the House.

**SHRI P.R. NATARAJAN:** As unanimously elected Speaker of the Seventeenth Lok Sabha, he has an experience of more than 25 years in the Legislative Assembly as well as in the Lok Sabha. So, we expect that equality must be maintained and the tradition of the House is also maintained by him.

**SHRI K. SUBBARAYAN:** I also welcome him to the Chair. My humble request is to save the democratic method and the Parliamentary democratic system. I am very happy to greet him.

**HON. SPEAKER:** Hon. Prime Minister, Members of the Council of Ministers, Leaders of all political parties, I extend my deep sense of gratitude from the core of my heart for the support I received from all the Members and Leaders of all political parties in pursuit of my election to the office of Speaker of the 17th Lok Sabha. I thank all the parties that have reposed their faith in me to take up this challenging job. I thank hon Speaker pro tem Dr. Virendra Kumar and his pro-team Shri Suresh Kodikunnil, Shri Bhratuhari Mahatab, Shri Brijbhushan Sharan

Singh and his entire team that have conducted the proceedings of this House in an excellent manner for the last two days. I do extend my gratitude to the citizens of the country also. The people of the country have participated in the General Election with full zeal, passion and enthusiasm. This denotes the rise of people's faith in democratic system. I am enlivened to the fact that we are elected to this House, the temple of democracy with faith reposed in us by lakhs of electorates and on becoming an MP, the people of our constituencies and even the people of the entire nation harbour a kind of faith in their hearts and minds that we would give voice to their concerns in the House including those placed in the lowest order of society. They do hope that we shall raise their basic issues in the largest democracy of the world in an impartial and transparent manner. In the previous regime the Government acted in consonance with their faith, expectations and reliance. Therefore, now this is all the more obligatory upon the Government to honour the kind of faith, trust and reliance reposed by the citizens of the country in governance. I hold the conviction that in view of the massive mandate, the accountability of the Government has grown far more this time.

I would also expect the Government to act with all the more accountability, transparency and openness in the country in order that we may be able to establish.

I would like to assure the hon. Members that all of you wish to make the country aware of the basic issues through this House. I request you that the basic issues which are not relevant to the Union Government or to this House are also



raised. I would like to impress upon the hon. Members that people have elected us as a Member of Parliament. We must always raise such issues that are directed to the Government of the country. I would also like to request the Government to respond to the issues raised by each hon. Member with a sense of responsibility taking full care of their sentiments. I am sure the kind of faith the people of this country have reposed in the leadership of our hon. Prime Minister, I would make my earnest endeavour to protect everyone. Members may have divergent views and ideology, their policies too may be divergent but all of us have come to this House with a mission to make our nation prosperous and progressive. Today, India is moving forward. India has achieved its remarkable position the world over. It should be our effort to abide by the decorum of the House in order that we may set a precedent across the globe of our dignified Parliamentary tradition.

I would carry out the solemn responsibility entrusted upon me and do expect that the requisite cooperation would be extended at your end to run the House in an impartial and uninterrupted manner. On my part, I would like to assure you that I deem it my responsibility to protect the concerns of everyone without having any regard to your numbers.

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## **INTRODUCTION OF MINISTERS**

**THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI NARENDRA MODI)** introduced the  
Members of the Union Council of Ministers to the House.

**SNEHLATA SHRIVASTAVA**  
*Secretary General*

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