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REFERENCE BY THE SPEAKER

HON. SPEAKER: Hon. Members, today, we are completing 76 years of dropping of atomic bombs on the cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki in Japan on August 6 and 9, 1945 respectively in which thousands of persons died and millions were injured and crippled for life in both the cities. This incident introduced the world to the catastrophic potential of atomic bombs. Even today, the people of Hiroshima and Nagasaki continue to suffer from the dreadful consequences of nuclear radiations.

On this day, let us strengthen our resolve to strive for the elimination of weapons of mass destruction and work together for the propagation of peace and brotherhood.

FELICITATION BY THE SPEAKER

HON. SPEAKER: Hon. Members, I feel elated in informing the House that Shri Ravi Kumar Dahiya has won Silver Medal for the country in 57 kg category in Wrestling in the ongoing Tokyo Olympics. This is the fifth medal for the country in these games. 23 year old Ravi Kumar Dahiya got this huge achievement in his very first participation in these games. I, on my own behalf and on behalf of this House, extend heartiest congratulations to Shri Ravi Kumar Dahiya on his historic success. I am sure this remarkable feat will continue to be a source of inspiration for the youth of the country to achieve excellence in their respective fields.

OBSERVATION BY THE SPEAKER

HON. SPEAKER: Hon. Members, I urge you again to go back to your seats so that we can have discussion in the House.

***MATTER UNDER RULE 377**

1. **SHRI GOPAL SHETTY** laid a statement regarding need to frame provisions to tackle various objections received after approval of development projects.
2. **SHRI RAJESH VERMA** laid a statement regarding need to establish an additional Kendriya Vidyalaya in Sitapur Parliamentary Constituency, Uttar Pradesh.
3. **SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH** laid a statement regarding need to include people belonging to 'Bhogta' community in the list of Scheduled Tribes.
4. **SUSHRI DIYA KUMARI** laid a statement regarding revamping the scope of CSR policy.
5. **DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR** laid a statement regarding rail connectivity in Balurghat Parliamentary constituency.
6. **SHRI RAJENDRA AGRAWAL** laid a statement regarding need to utilize vacant houses of Income Tax Department lying in dilapidated condition in Shastrinagar, Meerut.
7. **DR. SUJAY VIKHE PATIL** laid a statement regarding service conditions of casual and daily workers under Archaeological Survey in India.
8. **SHRI CHUNNILAL SAHU** laid a statement regarding unhygienic conditions created by Hatcheries in Mahasamund district, Chhattisgarh.
9. **SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL** laid a statement regarding need to reopen Bheemapar level crossing in Siddharthnagar district, Uttar Pradesh and also construct an underbridge near the level crossing.
10. **SHRI SUBRAT PATHAK** laid a statement regarding setting up of a solar plant in Kannauj Parliamentary Constituency, Uttar Pradesh.
11. **SHRI SANJAY BHATIA** laid a statement regarding need to construct Panipat-Meerut railway line.
12. **SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA** laid a statement regarding need to protect the interests of tribal people evicted from their natural dwellings in Dausa Parliamentary Constituency, Rajasthan.

* Laid on the table as directed by the Chair.

13. **SHRIMATI QUEEN OJA** laid a statement regarding need to ensure safety of people of North East States in Delhi.
14. **SHRI NIHAL CHOUHAN** laid a statement regarding need to set up a washing line and solar energy panel at railway station in Hanumangarh, Rajasthan.
15. **SHRI BASANTA KUMAR PANDA** laid a statement regarding need to start construction of Medical college at Bhawanipatna in Kalahandi district, Odisha.
16. **ADV. DEAN KURIAKOSE** laid a statement regarding issue of Human Animal conflict in Idukki Parliamentary Constituency.

THE TAXATION LAWS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2021

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND MINISTER OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI NIRMALA SITHARAMAN) *moving the motion for consideration of the Bill, said:* The issue of levying income tax on income derived from the transfer of Indian assets through the transfer of shares of a foreign company was a subject matter of prolonged litigation. In 2012, the Supreme Court ruled that such income is not taxable under the existing provisions of the Income Tax Act. Consequently, the Finance Act of 2012 amended the Income Tax Act, 1961 with retrospective effect to clarify that such income is taxable. The Finance Act, 2012 also provided that the demand raised for this income shall be valid even if the said demand has been struck off by the courts. So, what has happened is that this retrospective tax was brought in as a clarificatory amendment. However, there has been quite a lot of disagreement for this measure and even as we were in the Opposition, we had very clearly raised this objection saying that this is bad in law and also bad for investor sentiments. Therefore, as was committed by the then Finance Minister that we do not believe in retrospective application of tax. Keeping up the commitment, we are bringing this Amendment Bill in this august House. I, therefore, would like to request all the hon. Members of the House to support and pass this Bill unanimously.

The Bill was passed.

THE CENTRAL UNIVERSITIES (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2021

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND MINISTER OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN) *moving the motion for consideration of the Bill, said:* The Government of India proposes to set up a Central University in the Union Territory of Ladakh entailing an expenditure of Rs. 750 crore. About 4 thousand students go out of Ladakh for pursuing their higher education. The proposed Central University will cater to the higher educational needs of about 2,500 students. On this very day, the Bill to abrogate the Article 370 from Jammu and Kashmir was also passed in Lok Sabha. Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council, Leh and Kargil had represented to set up this University. The local administration has provided 110 acres of land for this purpose. This Legislation will facilitate the setting up of a Central University by the name of Sindhu Central University in Kargil or Leh in Ladakh. I have moved this motion seeking the approval of this august House to fulfil the long cherished hopes and aspirations of the people of Ladakh.

The Bill was passed

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