

LOK SABHA

BULLETIN – PART I (Brief Record of Proceedings)

Wednesday, March 16, 2022/Phalguna 25, 1943 (Saka)

No. 162

11.00 A.M.

1. Starred Questions

Starred Question Nos. 201–209 were orally answered. Replies to Starred Question Nos. 210–220 were laid on the Table.

2. Unstarred Questions

Replies to Unstarred Question Nos. 2301–2530 were laid on the Table.

12.01 P.M.

3. Papers laid on the Table

The Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Science and Technology; Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Earth Sciences; Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office; Minister of State in the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions; Minister of State in the Department of Atomic Energy; and Minister of State in the Department of Space (Dr. Jitendra Singh) 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:-

(i) A copy of the Review by the Government of the working of the

National Research Development Corporation, New Delhi, for the year 2020-2021.

- (ii) Annual Report of the National Research Development Corporation, New Delhi, for the year 2020-2021, alongwith Audited Accounts and comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.
- (2) Statement (Hindi and English versions) showing reasons for delay in laying the papers mentioned at (1) above.
- (3) (i) A copy of the Annual Report (Hindi and English versions) of the Centre for Excellence in Basic Sciences, Mumbai, for the year 2020-2021, alongwith Audited Accounts.
- (ii) A copy of the Review (Hindi and English versions) by the Government of the working of the Centre for Excellence in Basic Sciences, Mumbai, for the year 2020-2021.

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (Shri Ashwini Kumar Choubey) laid on the Table a copy of the Food Corporation of India (Staff) (First Amendment) Regulations, 2022 (Hindi and English versions) published in Notification No. EP.1(2)/2021 in Gazette of India dated 27th January, 2022 under sub-section (5) of Section 45 of the Food Corporations Act, 1964.

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Culture (Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal) laid on the Table a copy each of the following statements (Hindi and English versions) showing Action Taken by the Government on the assurances, promises and undertakings given by the Ministers during various sessions of Fifteenth, Sixteenth and Seventeenth Lok Sabhas:-

FIFTEENTH LOK SABHA

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| 1. Statement No. 31 | Eleventh Session, 2012 |
| 2. Statement No. 30 | Twelfth Session, 2012 |
| 3. Statement No. 28 | Fifteenth Session, 2014 |

SIXTEENTH LOK SABHA

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| 4. Statement No. 28 | Second Session, 2014 |
| 5. Statement No. 28 | Third Session, 2014 |
| 6. Statement No. 27 | Fourth Session, 2015 |
| 7. Statement No. 24 | Sixth Session, 2015 |
| 8. Statement No. 21 | Seventh Session, 2016 |
| 9. Statement No. 23 | Eighth Session, 2016 |
| 10. Statement No. 22 | Ninth Session, 2016 |
| 11. Statement No. 20 | Eleventh Session, 2017 |
| 12. Statement No. 19 | Twelfth Session, 2017 |
| 13. Statement No. 15 | Fourteenth Session, 2018 |
| 14. Statement No. 16 | Fifteenth Session, 2018 |
| 15. Statement No. 13 | Sixteenth Session, 2018 |

SEVENTEENTH LOK SABHA

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| 16. Statement No. 12 | First Session, 2019 |
| 17. Statement No. 9 | Second Session, 2019 |
| 18. Statement No. 8 | Third Session, 2020 |
| 19. Statement No. 8 | Fourth Session, 2020 |
| 20. Statement No. 7 | Fifth Session, 2021 |
| 21. Statement No. 6 | Sixth Session, 2021 |
| 22. Statement No. 1 | Seventh Session, 2021 |

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Rural Development (Sadhvi Niranjana Jyoti) laid on the Table:-

- (1) (i) A copy of the Annual Report (Hindi and English versions) of the Food Corporation of India, New Delhi, for the year 2020-2021, alongwith Audited Accounts.

(ii) A copy of the Review (Hindi and English versions) by the Government of the working of the Food Corporation of India, New Delhi, for the year 2020-2021.

(2) Statement (Hindi and English versions) showing reasons for delay in laying the papers mentioned at (1) above.

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Smt. Anupriya Singh Patel) 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:-

(i) Review by the Government of the working of the PEC Limited, New Delhi, for the year 2020-2021.

(ii) Annual Report of the PEC Limited, New Delhi, for the year 2020-2021, alongwith Audited Accounts and comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

(2) Statement (Hindi and English versions) showing reasons for delay in laying the papers mentioned at (1) above.

(3) (i) A copy of the Annual Accounts (Hindi and English versions) of the NEIA (National Export Insurance Account) Trust, New Delhi, for the year 2020-2021, together with Audit Report thereon.

(ii) A copy of the Review (Hindi and English versions) by the Government on the Audited Accounts of the NEIA (National Export Insurance Account) Trust, New Delhi, for the year 2020-2021.

(4) Statement (Hindi and English versions) showing reasons for delay in laying the papers mentioned at (3) above.

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Textiles; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways (Smt. Darshana Vikram Jardosh) laid on the Table a copy of the Memorandum of Understanding (Hindi and English versions)

between the Cotton Corporation of India Limited and the Ministry of Textiles for the year 2021-2022.

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Smt. Anupriya Singh Patel) on behalf of the Minister of State in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Som Parkash) laid on the Table:-

- (1) (i) A copy of the Annual Report (Hindi and English versions) of the National Council for Cement and Building Materials, Ballabgarh, for the year 2020-2021, alongwith Audited Accounts.
- (ii) A copy of the Review (Hindi and English versions) by the Government of the working of the National Council for Cement and Building Materials, Ballabgarh, for the year 2020-2021.
- (2) Statement (Hindi and English versions) showing reasons for delay in laying the papers mentioned at (1) above.

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Communications (Shri Devusinh Chauhan) laid on the Table:-

- (1) A copy each of the following papers (Hindi and English versions):-
 - (i) Memorandum of Understanding between the Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited and the Department of Telecommunications, Ministry of Communications, for the year 2021-2022.
 - (ii) Memorandum of Understanding between the Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited and the Department of Telecommunications, Ministry of Communications, for the year 2021-2022.
- (2) (i) A copy of the Annual Report (Hindi and English versions) of the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India, New Delhi, for the year 2020-2021, alongwith Audited Accounts.
- (ii) A copy of the Review (Hindi and English versions) by the

Government of the working of the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India, New Delhi, for the year 2020-2021.

- (3) Statement (Hindi and English versions) showing reasons for delay in laying the papers mentioned at (2) above.
- (4) A copy each of the following Notifications (Hindi and English versions) under sub-section (5) of Section 7 of the Indian Telegraph Act, 1885 and sub-section (4) of Section 10 of the Indian Wireless Telegraphy Act, 1933:-
 - (i) The Use of Low Power Equipment in the Frequency Bank 865-868 MHz for Short Range Devices (Exemption from Licence) Rules, 2021 published in Notification No. G.S.R.853(E) in Gazette of India dated 13th December, 2021.
 - (ii) The Use of Very Low Power Radio Frequency Devices or Equipments for Inductive Applications (Exemption from License) Rules, 2021 published in Notification No. G.S.R.870(E) in Gazette of India dated 21st December, 2021.

4. Reports of Public Accounts Committee

Shri Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury presented the following Reports (Hindi and English versions) of the Public Accounts Committee (2021-22):-

- (1) Forty-fourth Report on 'Functioning of Credit Guarantee Fund Trust for Micro and Small Enterprises'.
- (2) Forty-fifth Report on 'Non-deduction of Tax at Source'.
- (3) Forty-sixth Report on 'Generation and Distribution of Power in Lakshadweep Islands'.
- (4) Forty-seventh Report on Action taken by the Government on the Observations/ Recommendations of the Committee contained in

their Fourteenth Report (Seventeenth Lok Sabha) on 'The Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme'.

5. Reports of Committee on Papers laid on the Table

Shri Ritesh Pandey presented the Seventy-fourth to Seventy-seventh Reports (Original/Action Taken) (Hindi and English versions) of the Committee on Papers Laid on the Table (2021-2022).

6. Reports of Standing Committee on Defence

Shri D.V. Sadananda Gowda presented the following Reports (Hindi and English versions) of the Standing Committee on Defence:-

- (1) Twenty-sixth Report (17th Lok Sabha) of the Standing Committee on Defence on 'Demands for Grants of the Ministry of Defence for the year 2022-23 on General Defence Budget, Border Roads Organisation, Indian Coast Guard, Defence Estates Organisation, Defence Public Sector Undertakings, Canteen Stores Department, Welfare of Ex-Servicemen and Defence Pensions (Demand Nos. 19 and 22)'.
- (2) Twenty-seventh Report (17th Lok Sabha) of the Standing Committee on Defence on 'Demands for Grants of the Ministry of Defence for the year 2022-23 on Army, Navy, Air Force, Joint Staff, Military Engineer Services, Ex-Servicemen Contributory Health Scheme and Sainik Schools (Demand Nos. 20 and 21)'.
- (3) Twenty-eighth Report (17th Lok Sabha) of the Standing Committee on Defence on 'Demands for Grants of the Ministry of Defence for the year 2022-23 on Capital Outlay on Defence Services, Procurement Policy, Defence Planning and Married Accommodation Project (Demand No. 21)'.

- (4) Twenty-ninth Report (17th Lok Sabha) of the Standing Committee on Defence on 'Demands for Grants of the Ministry of Defence for the year 2022-23 on Directorate of Ordnance (Coordination and Services) – New DPSUs, Defence Research and Development Organisation, Directorate General of Quality Assurance and National Cadet Corps (Demand Nos. 20 and 21)'.

7. Reports of Standing Committee on Rural Development & Panchayati Raj

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

- (1) Twenty-first Report on Action taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the Sixteenth Report (Seventeenth Lok Sabha) on 'Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana - Gramin (PMAY-G)' pertaining to the Department of Rural Development (Ministry of Rural Development).
- (2) Twenty-second Report on Examination of Demands for Grants (2022-23) of the Department of Rural Development (Ministry of Rural Development).
- (3) Twenty-third Report on Examination of Demands for Grants (2022-23) of the Department of Land Resources (Ministry of Rural Development).
- (4) Twenty-fourth Report on Examination of Demands for Grants (2022-23) of the Ministry of Panchayati Raj.

8. Reports of Standing Committee on Education, Women, Children, Youth and Sports

Dr. Dhal Singh Bisen laid on the Table the following Reports (Hindi and English versions) of the Standing Committee on Education, Women, Children, Youth and Sports:-

- (1) 336th Report on Demands for Grants (2022-23) of the Department of School Education and Literacy, Ministry of Education.
- (2) 337th Report on Demands for Grants (2022-23) of the Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education.
- (3) 338th Report on Demands for Grants (2022-23) of the Ministry of Women and Child Development.
- (4) 339th Report on Demands for Grants (2022-23) of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.

12.06 P.M.

9. Statements by Ministers

- (1) The Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Science and Technology; Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Earth Sciences; Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office; Minister of State in the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions; Minister of State in the Department of Atomic Energy; and Minister of State in the Department of Space (Dr. Jitendra Singh) laid the following statements regarding:-
 - (i) the status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 353rd Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment, Forests and Climate Change on action taken by the Government on the

recommendations/observations contained in 343rd Report of the committee on Demands for Grants (2021-22) pertaining to the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, Ministry of Science and Technology.

- (ii) the status of implementation of the observations/ recommendations contained in the 354th Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment, Forests and Climate Change on action taken by the Government on the recommendations/observations contained in 344th Report of the committee on Demands for Grants (2021-22) pertaining to the Department of Science and Technology, Ministry of Science and Technology.

(2) The Minister of State in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Smt. Anupriya Singh Patel) on behalf of the Minister of State in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Som Parkash) laid the following statements regarding:-

- (i) the status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 157th Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Commerce on action taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in 153rd Report of the committee on Demands for Grants (2020-21) (Demand No. 11) pertaining to the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade, Ministry of Commerce and Industry.
- (ii) the status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 161st Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Commerce on "Review of the Intellectual

Property Rights Regime in India" pertaining to the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade, Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

12.09 P.M.

10. Statement by Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Culture (Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal) made a statement regarding Government Business during the week commencing Monday, the 21st March, 2022.

11. Motion

Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal moved the following motion :-

"That this House do agree with the Thirtieth Report of the Business Advisory Committee presented to the House on 15th March, 2022."

The motion was adopted.

***12.11 P.M.**

12. Announcement by the Speaker regarding cancellation of sitting

The Speaker made the announcement[%] regarding cancellation of sitting of the House fixed for Thursday, the 17th March, 2022.

[%]Original in Hindi. For details, see the debates for the day.

*From 12.11 P.M. to 2.05 P.M., Members raised matters of urgent public importance.

2.06 P.M.

13. 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 Kunwar Pushpendra Singh Chandel regarding need to include 'Alha Khand'- epic poetic works in UNESCO's Intangible Cultural Heritage.
- (2) Shri Parbatbhai Savabvhai Patel regarding acquisition of land for Tharad-Ahmedabad National Highway.
- (3) Shri Ganesh Singh regarding need to take steps to address malnutrition particularly in Satna parliamentary constituency, Madhya Pradesh.
- (4) Shri Rajesh Verma regarding utilisation of vacant defence land in Sitapur district, Uttar Pradesh.
- (5) Shri Rattan Lal Kataria regarding need to develop Panchkula city in Ambala parliamentary constituency as a Smart city.
- (6) Shri Ramesh Bidhuri regarding alleged shoddy construction of sewer lines in Palam and Sadhnagar area in Delhi.
- (7) Shri Subhash Chandra Baheria regarding implementation of traffic rules.
- (8) Dr. Ramapati Ram Tripathi regarding need to establish an Indian Institute of Management in Deoria Parliamentary constituency, Uttar Pradesh.
- (9) Shri Ashok Mahadeorao Nete regarding need to permit farmers in backward and tribal areas to register their complaints regarding loss of their crops through conventional methods.
- (10) Shri Nihal Chand Chauhan regarding need to establish a centre of ICAR or an Agriculture University in Sriganganagar parliamentary constituency, Rajasthan.
- (11) Shri Ashok Kumar Rawat regarding need to continue the operation of level crossing No. 47-C and 28-C in Misrikh parliamentary constituency, Uttar Pradesh.

- (12) Shri Khagen Murmmu regarding new train facilities at Malda Town Railway Station, West Bengal.
- (13) Shri Gopal Chinayya Shetty regarding need to develop, conserve and beautify ancient caves situated in North Mumbai parliamentary constituency, Maharashtra.
- (14) Shri Balubhau alias Suresh Narayan Dhannorkar regarding need to set up a Textiles Park in Chandrapur, Maharashtra.
- (15) Shri Kodikunnil Suresh regarding establishment of a National Corporation for the Welfare of converted Dalit Christians.
- (16) Shri (Adv.) Dean Kuriakose regarding implementation of a Tribal Circuit in Idukki under Swadesh Darshan Scheme.
- (17) Dr. T.R. Paarivendhar regarding celebration of Tolkappiyar Day in the country.
- (18) Smt. Aparupa Poddar regarding changes in minimum age for admission in class I in Kendriya Vidyalayas.
- (19) Smt. Sajda Ahmed regarding opening of a new Kendriya Vidyalaya in Uluberia Parliamentary Constituency.
- (20) Shri Sadashiv Kisan Lokhande regarding need to facilitate establishment of new Ethanol Plants in Maharashtra.
- (21) Shri Mahabali Singh regarding need to construct a bridge on Punpun river near Chiraili village in Nabinagar block in Karakat parliamentary constituency, Bihar.
- (22) Shri Shyam Yadav Singh regarding completion of works pertaining to Medical college at Jaunpur, Uttar Pradesh.
- (23) Shri P. Ravindhranath regarding filling up of vacancies in Kendriya Vidyalayas Schools in Tamil Nadu.

2.06 P.M.

14. The Union Budget –2022-2023 – Demands for Grants

Time Taken : 12 Hrs. 59 Mts.

Further discussion on the Demand for Grant No. 85 under the control of the Ministry of Railways continued.

Shri Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury took part in the debate.

The following members laid their written speeches on the Table:-

1. Dr. Bharatiben Dhirubhai Shiyal
2. Dr. Kalanidhi Veeraswamy
3. Smt. Gitaben Vajesingbhai Rathva
4. Shri Dulal Chandra Goswami
5. Adv. Adoor Prakash
6. Shri Ashok Mahadeorao Nete
7. Shri Devji M. Patel
8. Shri Ganesan Selvam
9. Shri Ratansinh Magansinh Rathod
10. Shri Hasmukhbhai Somabhai Patel
11. Shri Soyam Bapu Rao
12. Shri A. Ganeshamurthi
13. Shri Sanjay Seth
14. Shri A.K.P. Chinraj
15. Dr. Sujay Radhakrishna Vikhepatil
16. Dr. Dhal Singh Bisen
17. Shri Uday Pratap Singh
18. Shri D.K. Suresh
19. Smt. Riti Pathak
20. Shri Arun Kumar Sagar
21. Shri Ashok Kumar Rawat

22. Shri Sunil Kumar Singh
23. Shri Girish Chandra
24. Shri Mohanbhai Kalyanji Kundariya
25. Smt. Sandhya Ray
26. Shri Jayadev Galla
27. Dr. T.R. Paarivendhar
28. Shri Dipsinh Shankarsinh Rathod
29. Shri Raja Amareshwara Naik
30. Shri Jagdambika Pal
31. Shri Rakesh Singh
32. Smt. Poonamben Hematbhai Maadam
33. Shri Ravindra Kushwaha
34. Smt. Raksha Nikhil Khadse

Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw replied to the debate.

The Demand for Grant No. 85 (both Revenue Account and Capital Account) for which the Ministry of Railways is responsible for the amounts shown under column 3 of the printed list of Demands for Grants – Budget (General) for 2022-2023 was voted in full.

#15. Observation by the Speaker

The Speaker appealed to the Members to maintain decorum and dignity of the House.

#Made at 3.30 P.M. Original in Hindi. For details, please see the debates for the day.

3.45 P.M.

16. The Union Budget –2022-2023 – Demands for Grants

Time Allotted: 04 Hrs.
Time Taken : 2 Hrs. 15 Mts.
Balance: 1 Hr. 45 Mts.

Discussion on the Demand for Grant No. 86 under the control of the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways commenced.

The Speaker made the # announcement relating to moving of cut motions.

13 cut motions (Nos. 13 to 25) relating to the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways were moved.

The following members took part in the debate:-

1. Shri Anumula Revanth Reddy
2. Shri Jagdambika Pal
3. Dr. Gautham Sigamani Pon
4. Shri Kalyan Banerjee
5. Shri Shrirang Appa Barne
6. Shri Pinaki Misra
7. Shri Girish Chandra
8. Shri Ramulu Pothuganti
9. Shri Ganesh Singh
10. Shri Vincent H. Pala

The discussion was not concluded.

6.00 P.M.

(Lok Sabha adjourned till 11.00 A.M., Monday, the 21st March, 2022.)

UTPAL KUMAR SINGH
Secretary General

#Original in Hindi. For details, please see the debates for the day.