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of the Clock.*

[MR. SPEAKER in the Chair]

### MEMBER SWORN

Shri C. Subramaniam (Krishnagiri)

### OBITUARY REFERENCES

MR. SPEAKER : Hon. Members, I have to inform the House of the sad demise of six of our friends, namely Shri K. Madhava Menon, Shri Hafiz Mohammad Ghazanfarulla, Dr Syed Mahmud, Shri P.T. Punnoose, Shri K. Kelappan and Shri Mahendra Majhi.

Shri K. Madhava Menon was a Member of the Constituent Assembly during the years 1946-48. He took active part in the freedom struggle and suffered imprisonment. He served as Minister for Agriculture, Law and Education in the Madras Government during the years 1947-52. He passed away at Koratty on the 1st September, 1971 at the age of 75.

Shri Hafiz Mohammad Ghazanfarulla was a Member of the Central Legislative Assembly during the years 1945-47. He passed away at Allahabad on the 12th September, 1971 at the age of 86.

Dr. Syed Mahmud was a Member of the First and Second Lok Sabha during the years 1952-62. He had been Union Minister of

State for External Affairs during the years 1954-57. He had also served the State of Bihar as its Minister for Education and Development during 1937-39 and of Development and Transport during 1946-52. He was a veteran freedom fighter, an eminent academician, statesman and an author of great repute. He passed away at New Delhi on the 28th September, 1971 at the age of 82.

Shri P. T. Punnoose was a Member of the First and Second Lok Sabha during the years 1952-62. He passed away at Thiruvalla on the 1st October, 1971 at the age of 60.

Shri K. Kelappan was a Member of the First Lok Sabha during the years 1952-57. He was a stalwart freedom fighter and was one of the pillars of the freedom movement in the country. Greatly respected and loved by the people of Kerala, he always championed the cause of Harijans and other backward communities. He passed away at Calicut on the 7th October, 1971 at the age of 82. In his death the country has lost an old guard and a dedicated worker.

Shri Mahendra Majhi was a Member of the Fourth Lok Sabha during the years 1967-70 representing Mayurbhanj constituency of Orissa. He used to take great interest in the uplift and welfare of labour and backward classes. He passed away at Jamshedpur on the 9th October, 1971 at the age of 51.

We deeply mourn the loss of these distinguished friends and I am sure the House will join me in conveying our condolences and sympathies to the bereaved families.

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF  
ATOMIC ENERGY, MINISTER OF ELEC-  
TRONICS, MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS  
AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION  
AND BROADCASTING : (SHRIMATI