LOK SABHA DEBATES

Monday, December 20, 2004/ Agrahayana 29, 1926 (Saka)

The Lok Sabha met at Eleven of the Clock

(MR. SPEAKER in the chair)

Title: Welcome to the Parliamentary delegation under His Excellency Chaudhary Amir Hussain, Speaker of the National Assembly of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan and the members.

WELCOME TO PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION FROM

ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF PAKISTAN

MR. SPEAKER: Hon. Members, at the outset, I have to make an announcement.

On my own behalf and on behalf of the hon. Members of the House, I have great pleasure in welcoming His Excellency Chaudhary Amir Hussain, Speaker of the National Assembly of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan and the members of the Parliamentary Delegation who are on a visit to India as our honoured guests.

They arrived in India on Saturday, 18 December, 2004. They are now seated in the Special Box. We wish them a happy and fruitful stay in our country. Through them, we convey our greetings and best wishes to the President, the Parliament, the Government and the friendly people of Pakistan.

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): Sir, you should have spoken in Bangla.

MR. SPEAKER: They are from Pakistan, not from Bangladesh.