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Title: The Speaker made a reference to the passing away of Shri S.M. Lal Jan Basha, member, 10th Lok Sabha. She also made a reference to the loss of lives of several persons and injuries to a number of persons when Patna bound Rajya Rani Express ran over some pilgrims at Dhamara Railway Station in Khagaria district, Bihar on 19 August, 2013.

MADAM SPEAKER: Hon. Members, I have to inform the House of the sad demise of Shri S.M. Lal Jan Basha who was a member of Tenth Lok Sabha representing the Guntur Parliamentary Constituency of Andhra Pradesh. He also served as member of Rajya Sabha from 2002 to 2008.

Shri Basha served as the Chairman of Joint Parliamentary Committee on Wakf and was also a member of Committee on Transport and Tourism.

Shri S.M. Lal Jan Basha passed away in a road accident at Narketpally in Nalgonda district of Andhra Pradesh on 15 August, 2013 at the age of 57.

We deeply mourn the loss of Shri Basha and convey our condolences to the bereaved family.

Hon. Members, a number of persons were killed and several others grievously injured when Patna bound Rajya Rani Express ran over some pilgrims at Dhamara railway station in Khagaria district of Bihar on 19 August, 2013.

The House expresses its profound sorrow on this tragic incident and conveys its condolences to the families and wishes the injured a speedy recovery.

The House may now stand in silence for a short while as a mark of respect to the memory of the departed.

11.02 hrs.

The Members then stood in silence for a short while.

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11.03 hrs

At this stage, Shri A.K.S. Vijayan, Shri C. Sivasami, Shrimati Susmita Bauri and some other hon. Members came and stood on the floor near the Table.

...(Interruptions)