Title: Madam Speaker welcomed His Excellency U Khin Aung Myint, Speaker of Amyotha Hluttaw (Upper House) of the Parliament of Myanmar and the Members of the Parliamentary Delagation from Myanmar.

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

On behalf of the hon. Members of the House and on my own behalf, I have great pleasure in welcoming His Excellency U Khin Aung Myint, Speaker of Amyotha Hluttaw (Upper House) of the Parliament of Myanmar and the Members of the Parliamentary Delegation from Myanmar who are in India as our esteemed guests. They arrived on Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> December, 2013 and have paid a visit to Gaya. They are now seated in the Special Box.

Hon. Members, India-Myanmar's age-old ties are founded on friendship, cooperation and understanding. We share our history, culture and values. This visit, I am sure, will further strengthen the bonds between our two countries and bring our people closer. We wish the Parliamentary Delegation a pleasant and enriching stay in our country. Through them, we convey our greetings and best wishes to the Parliament, the Government and the friendly people of Myanmar.