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Title: The Speaker made reference to the passing of Shri Shrikishan Mody (5th Lok Sabha) on 22.11.1010 and also made reference to the Bhopal Gas Tragedy occurred 26 years ago in 1984.

MADAM SPEAKER: Hon. Members, I have to inform the House of the sad demise of one of our former colleagues, Shri Shrikishan Modi.

Shri Shrikishan Modi was a Member of the Fifth Lok Sabha from 1971 to 1977, representing the Sikar Parliamentary Constituency of Rajasthan.

Shri Modi was a Member of the Business Advisory Committee during the Fifth Lok Sabha.

A committed social and political worker Shri Modi served as the Secretary of Gramdan Samiti, Nimka, Sikar and as a member of the Khadigram Udyog Board, Timka, Sikar.

Shri Modi worked for the welfare of the poor, downtrodden and the deprived sections of the society. In his demise the country has lost a true friend of the masses.

Shri Shrikishan Modi passed away on 22nd November, 2010 at Jaipur at the age of 68.

We deeply mourn the loss of our friend and I am sure the House would join me in conveying our condolences to the bereaved family.

Hon. Members, on this day 26 years ago, the Bhopal Gas Tragedy, the worst industrial catastrophe in the country occurred in 1984 at the Union Carbide India Limited pesticide plant in Bhopal. The leakage of Methyl Isocyanate gas and other toxins from plant wreaked havoc resulting in thousands of deaths and affecting half a million people. The catastrophic consequences were so deadly that even the children subsequently born were afflicted with various ailments. The House fervently hopes that such man-made disasters do not occur in future.

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

MADAM SPEAKER: Question Hour.

...(Interruptions)

11.03 hrs.

At this stage, Shri Ganesh Singh, Shri C. Sivasami and some

other hon. Members came and stood on the floor near the Table

...(Interruptions)

MADAM SPEAKER: Please go back to your seats.

...(Interruptions)

MADAM SPEAKER: Nothing will go on record.

(Interruptions) †<u>*</u>

MADAM SPEAKER: Please go back to your seats.

...(Interruptions)

MADAM SPEAKER: The House stands adjourned to meet again at 12 noon.

The Lok Sabha then adjourned till Twelve of the Clock.