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Title : Madam Speaker made Valedictory Reference on the conclusion of the 1st Session of the 15th Lok Sabha.

MADAM SPEAKER: Hon. Members, we have now come to the close of the First Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, which commenced on the 1st June, 2009, with a new Government in place.

As per well established convention, the first sitting of the new House commenced with the observance of silence for a short while, to mark the solemnity of the occasion. Thereafter, the Chair welcomed the newly elected Members. As many as 541 Members took the oath or made the affirmation during the Session.[\[R18\]](#)

[\[r19\]](#)On the 3rd June, 2009, the Motion for Election of the Speaker was taken up. I indeed feel greatly honoured to have been unanimously elected by the House to the august Office of Speaker. My colleague, Shri Karia Munda Ji was also unanimously elected as the Deputy-Speaker on the 8th June, 2009.

The House also adopted today the Motion of Thanks on the Address of hon. President to Members of both the Houses on 4th June, 2009. The Motion was adopted after a structured debate lasting over 16 hours in which 76 Members participated.

Members raised eight matters of urgent public importance under 'Zero Hour' and 37 matters under Rule 377.

I thank Speaker *Pro tem* Shri Manikrao Hodlya Gavit and the members of the Panel of Chairmen appointed by the hon. President for sharing the responsibility of Presiding over the House in the initial days for administering Oath or Affirmation to the newly elected Members of the 15th Lok Sabha.

I would like to thank the hon. Deputy-Speaker Shri Karia Munda Ji and my colleagues in the Panel of Chairmen for their cooperation in the completion of business of the House. I am extremely grateful to the hon. Prime Minister, Leader of the House, the Leader of Opposition, Leader of UPA, Minister of Parliamentary Affairs, Leaders of various Parties and Groups as well as the Chief Whips apart from the hon. Members for their cooperation. I would also like to thank, on behalf of all of you, our friends in the Press and the Media. I take this opportunity to compliment the Secretary-General for the competent and expert assistance being rendered to me. I thank the Officers and Staff of the Lok Sabha Secretariat for their dedicated and prompt service to the House. I also thank the allied agencies for their able assistance in the conduct of the proceedings of the House.

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12.47 hrs.

NATIONAL SONG

MADAM SPEAKER : Hon. Members may now stand up as '*VANDE MATRAM*' would be played.

The National Song was played.

MADAM SPEAKER : The House stands adjourned sine die.

12.49 hrs.

The Lok Sabha then adjourned sine die.

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