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Title: Reference regarding Homage to Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya on his 150th Birth Anniversary.

MADAM SPEAKER: Hon. Members, 25th December, 2011 marked the hundred and fiftieth birth anniversary of Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya popularly known as *Mahamana*. An eminent educationist and a social reformer, Malaviyaji worked relentlessly for the resurgence of the country.

Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya founded the Benaras Hindu University at Varanasi in 1916. He was also one of the founders of Scouting in India.

A freedom fighter, Pandit Malaviya played a prominent role in the freedom movement of the country and actively participated in the Non-cooperation Movement launched by Mahatma Gandhi.

The House pays its homage to this great scholar and eminent educationist on his one hundred and fiftieth birth anniversary.