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Title: The Speaker made references to the passing away of Shri Ranjit Singh Gaekwad, member of the 7th & 8th Lok Sabhas; Shri Ganga Ram, member, 8th Lok Sabha; Shri Lambodar Baliyar, member, 5th Lok Sabha; Shri Bhanwar Singh Dangawas, member, 14th Lok Sabha; Shri Pratap Singh, member, 9th and 10th Lok Sabhas; Smt. Mrinal Gore, member, 6th Lok Sabha and Shri Rajesh Khanna, member, 10th Lok Sabha. The Speaker also made references to the people who lost their lives in worst-ever flood in Assam, ethnic violence in Asam; Amarnath Yatra; bus plunged into a canal in Nepal; fire in a coach of Chennai-bound Tamil Nadu Express near Nellore in Andhra Pradesh; in a collision between two trucks at Bhiwani in Haryana and when a bus fell into a deep ravine at Chilhal village of Dehradun.

MADAM SPEAKER: Hon. Members, I have to inform the House about the sad demise of our seven former colleagues Shri Ranjit Sinh Gaekwad, Shri Ganga Ram, Shri Lambodar Baliyar, Shri Bhanwar Singh Dangawas, Shri Pratap Singh, Shrimati Mrinal Gore and Shri Rajesh Khanna.

Shri Ranjit Sinh Gaekwad was a member of the Seventh and Eighth Lok Sabhas from 1980 to 1989 representing the Baroda Parliamentary Constituency of Gujarat.

A distinguished parliamentarian, Shri Gaekwad served as a member of the Public Accounts Committee during 1985-86. He was Chairman, House Committee, Lok Sabha during 1987.

A multifaceted personality, Shri Gaekwad was actively involved in various Trusts and Organizations working for development of fine arts, culture and music. He won many awards and prizes for music and paintings. He was honoured with "Gaurav award" by Gujarat State Academy for his outstanding contribution in the field of music.

Shri Ranjit Sinh Gaekwad passed away on 10th May, 2012 at the age of 74, in Vadodara, Gujarat.

Shri Ganga Ram was a member of the Eighth Lok Sabha from 1984 to 1989 representing the Firozabad Parliamentary Constituency of Uttar Pradesh.

An able administrator, Shri Ganga Ram served as member of Uttar Pradesh Planning Commission.

Shri Ganga Ram passed away on 23 June, 2012 at the age of 89, in Dehradun.

Shri Lambodar Baliyar was a member of the Fifth Lok Sabha from 1971 to 1977 representing the Bastar Parliamentary Constituency of Madhya Pradesh.

Shri Baliyar was also a member of Madhya Pradesh Legislative Assembly during 1980 to 1985.

Shri Lambodar Baliyar passed away on 26 June, 2012 in Raipur, Madhya Pradesh at the age of 83.

Shri Bhanwar Singh Dangawas was a member of the Fourteenth Lok Sabha from 2004 to 2009 representing the Nagaur Parliamentary Constituency of Rajasthan.

Shri Dangawas was also a member of Rajasthan Legislative Assembly during 1993 to 1998 and 2003 to 2004. He was Minister of State for Home Affairs in the Government of Rajasthan in 1998.

An able parliamentarian, Shri Dangawas served as a member of Standing Committee on Water Resources during 2007 to 2009.

Shri Dangawas had been honoured by the President of India with Police Medals for gallantry and for distinguished and meritorious Police Service.

Shri Bhanwar Singh Dangawas passed away on 2 July, 2012 at the age of 83.

Shri Pratap Singh was a member of the Ninth and Tenth Lok Sabhas from 1989 to 1996 representing the Banka Parliamentary Constituency of Bihar.

An able parliamentarian, Shri Pratap Singh served as member, Committee on Papers Laid on the Table and Consultative Committee, Ministry of Food Processing during 1990-91.

An agriculturist by profession, Shri Singh worked for the welfare of tribals and protection of environment and forests.

Shri Pratap Singh passed away on 5 July, 2012 at the age of 77, in Kolkata.

Shrimati Mrinal Gore was a Member of the Sixth Lok Sabha from 1977 to 1979 representing the Bombay North Parliamentary Constituency of Maharashtra.

Shrimati Gore was also a Member of Maharashtra Legislative Assembly from 1972 to 1977 and from 1985 to 1990. She served with distinction as Leader of Opposition in the Maharashtra Legislative Assembly.

An able parliamentarian, she served as a Member of Committee on Estimates and Library Committee in Lok Sabha. Mrinaltai, as she was respectfully referred to, also earned the sobriquet 'Paniwali Bai' for her efforts in bringing drinking water supply to Goregaon, a Mumbai suburban area.

Shrimati Mrinal Gore passed away on 17 July, 2012 at Thane at the age of 84.

Shri Rajesh Khanna was a Member of the Tenth Lok Sabha from 1992 to 1996 representing the New Delhi Parliamentary Constituency of Delhi.

A consummate actor, hailed as the first superstar of Bollywood, Shri Khanna enthralled masses by his versatile and passionate acting.

Shri Rajesh Khanna passed away on 18 July, 2012 at the age of 69, in Mumbai.

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

Hon. Members, you may be aware that more than 125 people are reported to have been killed and several missing in the worst-ever floods in the recent years in Assam affecting about 24 lakh people and causing large scale destruction and devastation of property and crops.

Assam has faced sporadic ethnic violence during the months of July and August in which 73 persons are reported to have been killed and 61 others injured, besides rendering about two lakh people homeless who are sheltered in 270 relief camps in the State.

In separate incidents, more than 100 pilgrims are reported to have died during Amarnath Yatra this year.

In a tragic road accident more than 39 pilgrims mostly Indians including ten women and a girl child were reported to have been killed and several others injured on 15 July 2012, when a bus after skidding off a slippery road plunged into a flooded canal in Nepal.

Thirty-two persons are reported to have been killed and 25 others injured when a fire broke out in a coach of the Chennai-bound Tamil Nadu Express near Nellore in Andhra Pradesh on 30 July, 2012.

More than 29 pilgrims including ten women and three children are reported to have been killed and about 45 injured in a collision between two trucks at Bhiwani in Haryana on 30 July, 2012.

In another incident, 27 persons are reported to have been killed and 26 others injured in a tragic road accident when a bus fell into a deep ravine at Chilhal village of Dehradun in Uttarakhand on 1 August, 2012. Thirty-four persons are reported to have been killed and several others missing in flash floods in the States of Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir and Uttar Pradesh due to cloud burst on 4 August, 2012.

In a tragic shooting incident at Gurudwara in Wisconsin, USA on Sunday, 5 August, 2012, 6 persons including 4 Indian citizens and 2 American citizens of Indian origin were killed and 3 others injured.

The House expresses its profound sorrow on these tragedies and natural calamities which have brought pain and suffering to the families of the missing, injured and deceased.

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

11.14 hrs.

The Members then stood in silence for a short while.

MADAM SPEAKER: Question Hour – Q. 1. Shri Sanjay Dina Patil.

...(Interruptions)

MADAM SPEAKER: I have received many notices of Adjournment Motion about Assam violence. I have accepted the notice of Adjournment Motion and we will take it up at 1200 noon sharp.

...(Interruptions)

11.17 hrs

At this stage, Shri Sansuma Khunggur Bwiswmuthiary and some other

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

...(Interruptions)

MADAM SPEAKER: We will take it up at 1200 noon.

...(Interruptions)

11.18 hrs

*At this stage, Shri Badruddin Ajmal came
and stood on the floor near the Table.*

...(Interruptions)

MADAM SPEAKER: We are taking it up at 1200 noon.

...(Interruptions)

अध्यक्ष महोदया : आप बैठ जाइए। हमने इस विषय को स्वीकार कर लिया है।

â€¦(व्यवधान)

MADAM SPEAKER: I have accepted the notice of Adjournment Motion.

...(Interruptions)

अध्यक्ष महोदया : हम इस विषय को बारह बजे लेंगे। अभी आप बैठ जाइए।

â€¦(व्यवधान)

अध्यक्ष महोदया : हम इस विषय को बारह बजे ले रहे हैं।

â€¦(व्यवधान)

MADAM SPEAKER: The House stands adjourned to meet again at 1200 noon.

11.20 hrs

*The Lok Sabha then adjourned till Twelve
of the Clock.*

The Lok Sabha re-assembled at Twelve of the Clock.

(Madam Speaker in the Chair)