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Title: The Speaker made reference on the International Indigenous People's Day.

MADAM SPEAKER: Hon. Members, today is the International Indigenous People's Day. On 23rd December, 1994, the United Nations General Assembly by a Resolution decided that an International Day of the World's Indigenous People shall be observed on 9th August every year during the International Decade of the World's indigenous people.

The indigenous people whom we refer to as Tribals in the country are an invaluable and integral part of our country's rich cultural heritage. Tribals and their culture which is a repository of wisdom and knowledge from the days of yore need to be protected and empowered.

Let us on this occasion resolve to rededicate our efforts for amelioration of the lots of our tribal brethren.