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Title : Regarding passing away of Shri Chandubhai Deshmukh, a sitting member and member 9th, 10th and 11th Lok Sabhas and Shri E.R.Krishnan, member 5th Lok Sabha.

MR. SPEAKER : Hon. Members, I have to inform the House, with a deep sense of sorrow, to the passing away of our esteemed friends, namely, Sarvashri Chandubhai Deshmukh and E.R. Krishnan.

Shri Chandubhai Deshmukh was a sitting Member of Lok Sabha representing Bharuch parliamentary constituency of Gujarat.

He was also a Member of Ninth, Tenth and Eleventh Lok Sabhas representing the same parliamentary constituency.

Earlier he was a member of Gujarat Legislative Assembly during 1997-79. He served his home State as Cabinet Minister and held various important portfolios.

An able parliamentarian, Shri Deshmukh served on various Parliamentary Committees during Ninth, Tenth and Eleventh Lok Sabhas.

An active political and social worker, Shri Deshmukh worked for creating awareness among Adivasis with regard to their social oppression and fought relentlessly for their

A man of letters, Shri Deshmukh authored 'Van Devta'¹ (tribal stories) in Gujarati.

Shri Chandubhai Deshmukh passed away on 28 June, [1998 at Baroda at the age of 58.

Shri E.R. Krishnan was a Member of Fifth Lok Sabha representing Salem parliamentary constituency of Tamil Nadu during 1971-77.

Earlier he was a member of Tamil Legislative Assembly during 1967-71.

An able parliamentarian, Shri Krishnan actively participated in the proceedings of the Lok Sabha.

A well known social and political worker, Shri Krishnan worked hard for upliftment of poor and down-trodden.

Shri E.R. Krishnan passed away on 13 May, 1997 at Salem, Tamil Nadu, at the age of 75.

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