

LOK SABHA

Wednesday, April 4, 1984/Chaitra 15, 1906
(Saka)

The Lok Sabha met at Eleven of the Clock.

[MR. SPEAKER *in the Chair*]

SOME HON. MEMBERS : *rose.*

(*Interruptions*)

SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN : Sir, I have given a notice under Rule 388.

SHRI SATYASADHAN CHAKRABORTY : We are all happy and we congratulate...

SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN : Have you received my notice under Rule 388 ?...

(*Interruptions*)

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMEN-
TARY AFFAIRS, SPORTS AND WORKS
AND HOUSING (SHRI BUTA SINGH) :
They cannot disturb the proceedings like
this. If they want to speak, they must take
your permission. This is Question Hour.

श्री मनीराम बागड़ी : अध्यक्ष महोदय, सारा
पंजाब जल रहा है। वहां पर कम्युनल राइट्स हो
रहे हैं। (व्यवधान)

SHRI K. MAYATHEVAR : Question
Hour has been suspended on so many occa-
sions...

(*Interruptions*)

SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN : I have
given notice under Rule 388 according to the
Rules.

MR. SPEAKER : Just one minute.

Hon. Prime Minister.

STATEMENT RE : SQN. LEADER
RAKESH SHARMA BEING THE
FIRST INDIAN TO GO INTO SPACE

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRIMATI
INDIRA GANDHI) : I think I express
the views of the entire House and all Parties
in expressing our pride and pleasure at Sqn
Leader Rakesh Sharma being the first Indian
to go up into Space.

Many of us saw the actual launching on
TV and on the 5th I hope to have the
opportunity of speaking with him direct and
I shall convey the whole country's greetings
to him and his fellow cosmonauts on the
Spacecraft, also our prayers and hopes for a
successful and useful journey and a safe
return back home. It is a great achievement.
Such adventures are fraught with risk. It is
difficult and is still rather new not only for
us but even for those who have had previous
experience.

I should also like to send my good wishes
to the other person, Ravish Malhotra who
has not gone but who also underwent this
arduous training along with Rakesh Sharma.
It must be a disappointment to him that he
has not been sent, but at least...

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA : His wife
must be feeling relieved.

SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI : Our
thoughts are with the families of these young
cosmonauts. Once again we send them all
our good wishes.