

LOK SABHA DEBATES

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Monday, December 2, 1974|*Agrahayana*
11, 1896 (*Saka*).

*The Lok Sabha met at Eleven of
the Clock.*

[MR. SPEAKER *in the Chair*]

OBITUARY REFERENCE

MR. SPEAKER: Hon. Members, I have to inform the House of the sad and sudden demise of Shrimati Sucheta Kripalani who passed away yesterday at New Delhi at the age of 66.

Shrimati Sucheta Kripalani was a Member of the Constituent Assembly, Provisional Parliament during the years 1946—52, of the First Lok Sabha during 1952—56, of the Second Lok Sabha during 1957—61 and of the Fourth Lok Sabha during the years 1967—70.

A distinguished, great patriot and well-known parliamentarian and wife of our most revered leader Acharya Kripalani, she took an active part in the freedom movement at the young age and suffered imprisonment and many hardships. After independence she served the nation in various capacities. She was a Member of the U.P. Legislative Assembly during the years 1948—50 and the Minister of Labour, Community Development and Industry in the U.P. Government during 1960—63 and later became Chief Minister of U.P. during 1963—67. As Chief Minister of U.P. she left a great impact for her successors to improve the lot of the poor and down-trodden people. She was also General Secretary of the All India Congress Committee. She took keen interest in Foreign affairs and was a Member of Indian Delegation to the U.N. General Assembly in 1949 and

Indian Delegation to the U.N. Seminar on Civic Responsibility and increased participation of Asian Women in Public Life, Bangkok in 1956. She led the Indian Parliamentary Delegation to Turkey in November, 1954 and Indian Delegation to the I.L.O. Conference in 1961. She was associated with a number of relief, educational and other institutions working for the welfare of the down-trodden. As a Member of this House she was a very fluent speaker and made constructive and useful contributions to the debates championing the causes for which she had devoted her life. The role played by her in the rehabilitation of the uprooted families at the time of partition is still remembered by many with gratitude.

In her sad demise, our sympathies go to her distinguished husband, Acharya J. B. Kripalani.

We deeply mourn the loss of this friend and I am sure the House will join me in conveying our condolences to Kripalaniji.

The House may stand in silence for a short while to express its sorrow.

*The Members then stood in silence
for a short while.*

ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Rejection of U.G.C. Pay Scales by University Teachers

*271. PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE: Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state: