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LOK SABHA

Saturday, May 26, 1962/Jyaistha 5, 1884 (Saka)

The Lok Sabha met at Eleven of the Clock.

[Mr. Speaker in the Chair]

PAPER LAID ON THE TABLE

Annual Report of Administrative Vigilance Division

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shri Datar): I beg to lay on the Table a copy of Annual Report of the Administrative Vigilance Division for the period from 1st January to 31st December, 1961. [Placed in the Library. See No. LT-144/62].

Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath (Hoshangabad): May I request you, Sir, to see that copies are made available to Members? The Home Ministry Demands are coming up for discussion shortly and it will be useful for the Members if copies are made available.

Mr. Speaker: Any Member desirous of having any copy shall be supplied with one.

11.01 hrs.

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

The Minister of Parliamentary Affairs (Shri Satya Narayan Sinha): With your permission, Sir, I rise to announce that Government Business in this House during the week commencing 28th May will consist of:—

- 1. Consideration of any item of business carried over from today's Order Paper.
- 2. Discussion and voting on the Demands for Grants relating to the Ministries of Law, Defence, Works. Housing and Supply and Home Affairs.

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Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath (Hoshangabad): By your leave, Sir, I want to make a three-fold request. Firstly, the time allotted for the Ministry of Defence, in view of the recent developments—I am sure you will agree and also the House will agree—should be substantially increased to 12 hours or at least to 10 hours; it should be not less than 10 hours. I hope that will be accepted.

Secondly, the lobbies have been buzzing with rumours for the last so many days that the Lok Sabha might be adjourned or recessed ahead of schedule. Most of us want to make preparations and adjust our post-session programmes. I hope the Minister of Parliamentary Affairs will make a statement on that matter on Monday.

Lastly, since you are perhaps more intimately concerned with it than the Minister of Parliamentary Affairs. I venture to submit that the elections to the Parliamentary Committees of the House-the Estimates Committee and the Public Accounts Committeehave been somewhat delayed. I am sure you will agree and the House also agree that the constitution of these committees should be expedited, and completed before the session comes to a close. That also might be borne in mind.

Mr. Speaker: So far as the committees are concerned, I am already considering that matter and certainly before the session comes to a close, that will be done. There will be no difficulty about that.

So far as the session is concerned, if the Minister of Parliamentary Affairs is ready to make any statement, he could make that statement.

So far as extending the time for the Ministry of Defence is concerned,