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LOK SABHA

Monday, 18th March, 1957.

The Lok Sabha met at Seventeen Minutes Past Twelve of the Clock.

[Mr. Speaker (SHRI M. A. AYYANGAR) in the Chair]

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

(No Questions: Part I not published)

12.17 hrs.

DEATHS OF MEMBERS

Mr. Speaker: I regret to inform the House of the sad demise of four friends, viz., Shri Syamnandan Sahaya, Dr. Manik Chand Jatav-vir, Shri B. G. Kher and Dr. R. U. Singh.

Shri Syamnandan Sahaya passed away on the 14th March, 1957, at Muzaffarpur at the age of 56. He was a sitting Member of the House from Muzaffarpur Central constituency of Bihar. He was also a Member of the Constituent Assembly of India and the Provisional Parliament.

Dr. Manik Chand Jatav-vir passed away on the 29th December, 1956, at Agra. He was a sitting Member of the House from Bharatpur-Sawai Madhopur—Reserved Scheduled Castes constituency of Rajasthan.

Shri B. G. Kher passed away on the 8th March, 1957 at Poona at the age of 68. He was a Member of the Constituent Assembly of India and served the country devotedly and efficiently as India's High Commissioner in London and the Chairman of the Official Language Commission. In his death, India has lost a great 605 L.S.D.

son, an eminent scholar, statesman and social reformer.

Dr. R. U. Singh passed away on the 12th January, 1957, in Lucknow at the age of 52. He was a Member of the Constituent Assembly of India (Legislative) and the Provisional Parliament of India.

We mourn the loss of these friends, and I am sure the House will join me in conveying our condolences to their families. The House may kindly stand in silence for a minute to express its sorrow.

The Members then stood in silence for a minute.

PRESIDENT'S ASSENT TO BILLS

Secretary: Sir, I lay on the Table the following 10 Bills passed by the Houses of Parliament during the last session and assented to by the President since a report was last made to the House on the 22nd December, 1956:

- The Central Excises and Salt (Second Amendment) Bill, 1956.
- The Union Duties of Excise (Distribution) Amendment Bill, 1956.
- The Appropriation (Railways)
 No. 6 Bill, 1956,
- The Appropriation (Railways)
 No. 7 Bill, 1956,
- The Appropriation (No. 5) Bill, 1956,
- The Faridabad Development Corporation Bill, 1956,
- The Slum Areas (Improvement and Clearance) Bill, 1956,

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- 8. The Delhi Tenants (Temporary Protection), Bill, 1956,
- The Delhi (Control of Building Operations) Continuance Bill, 1956.
- The Delivery of Books (Public Libraries) Amendment Bill, 1956.

I also lay on the Table copies, duly authenticated by the Secretary of Rajya Sabha, of the following 17 Bills passed by the Houses of Parliament during the last session and assented to by the President since a report was last made to the House on the 22nd December, 1956:

- The Manipur (Village Authorities in Hill Areas) Bill, 1956,
- The State Bank of Hyderabad Bill, 1956,
- The Displaced Persons (Compensation and Rehabilitation) Amendment Bill, 1956.
- The Road Transport Corporations (Amendment) Bill, 1956,
- The Representation of the People (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill, 1956,
- The Standards of Weights and Measures Bill, 1956,
- The Administration of Evacuee Property (Amendment) Bill, 1956,
- The Territorial Army (Amendment) Bill, 1956,
- The Young Persons (Harmful Publications) Bill, 1956.
- The Employees' Provident Funds (Amendment) Bill, 1956,
- 11. The Banking Companies (Amendment) Bill, 1956,
- The Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Bill, 1956,
- 13. The Electricity (Supply)
 Amendment Bill, 1956,
- The Indian Medical Council Bill, 1956,
- The Territorial Councils Bill, 1956.

- The Suppression of Immoral Traffic in Women and Girls Bil. 1956, and
- The Women's and Children's Institutions (Licensing) Bill, 1956.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

Secretary: Sir, I beg to lay on the Table a copy of the President's Address to both Houses of Parliament assembled together on the 18th March 1857

President's Address

राष्ट्रपति : संसद के सदस्यगण, प्राज मैं पूरे एक वर्ष के बाद भ्राप के सामने भिभाषण कर रहा है। यह वर्ष हमारे देश के लिये और विश्व के महत्वपूर्ण घटनाओं से पूर्ण रहा है। हम ऐसे समय एकत्र हये हैं जब कि देश भर में भाम चनाव चल रहे हैं भौर इनके परिणाम-स्वरूप नई संसद् की स्थापना होने जा रही है। इस संसद के सम्मुख कुछ कहने का मेरे लिये यह मन्तिम भवसर है। अपने निर्वाचन-क्षेत्रों के प्रतिनिधि के रूप में भाप में से कुछ नई संसद में भी श्रायोंने श्रीर संभवतः कुछ सदस्यगण नई संसद में नहीं भायों गे। भाप का कार्यक्षेत्र कहीं भी हो, मुझे इस में संदेह नहीं कि जो कुछ भी आप करेंगे वह इस देश के निर्माण संबंधी महान कार्य के हित में होगा । मैं भाप के कार्य में सफलता और माप की सम्पन्नता की कामना करता है।

पिछली बार जब मैंने घाप के सामने घिममावण दिया था, तब से संसार ने, विश्लेष कर मध्यपूर्व ने, तनाव की स्थिति का सामना किया है घौर एक ऐसा संघर्ष मी देखा है जिस का भन्तिम रूप मिस्र पर भाकमण हुमा । संयुक्तराष्ट्र के हस्तक्षेप भौर संसार के बनमत के फलस्वरूप भाकमणकारी सेनामों को मिस्र से हुटा लिया गया, किन्तु इस संघर्ष से मिस्र को मारी सिति ही नहीं उठानी पढ़ी बल्कि ऐसे समय जब भन्तराष्ट्रीय स्थित में सुधार होता विकार दे रहा या बनाव में वृद्धि हुई । इस