

LOK SABHA DEBATES

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*Tuesday, March 31, 1992/ Chaitra 11,
1914 (Saka)*

*The Lok Sabha met at
Eleven of the Clock*

[MR. SPEAKER in the Chair]

OBITUARY REFERENCE

[English]

MR. SPEAKER: Hon. Members, I have to inform the House of the sad demise of one of our former colleagues Col. Bashir Husain Zaidi.

Col. Zaidi was a Member of the First Lok Sabha during 1951-57. Earlier, he had been a Member of the Constituent Assembly and Provisional Parliament during 1947-52. He was also Member of Rajya Sabha during 1963-70 representing the State of Uttar Pradesh.

Col Zaidi was an able parliamentarian. He served the country in various capacities. After being a Minister in the erstwhile State of Rampur he rose to the high office of the Chief Minister of that State, which position he held for over a decade. He was closely associated with the Aligarh Muslim University and the Jamia Millia, Delhi. He served as Vice-Chancellor of the Aligarh Muslim Uni-

versity in 1956. He was a Director of the Reserve Bank of India during 1958-63.

In recognition to his services to the country in various fields, he was awarded Padma Vibhushan in 1976.

A widely travelled person he was a member of the Indian Delegation to the United Nations in 1951. He had represented the country at various international conferences.

In the passing away of Col. Zaidi, the country has lost an educationist, journalist, administrator and an eminent parliamentarian. Col. Zaidi passed away on 29th March 1992 at the age of 94 years.

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

The House may now stand in silence for a short while as a mark of respect to the deceased.

The Members then stood in silence for a short while

[English]

SHRI BASU DEB ACHARIA (Bankura): Sir, I have given a notice for the suspension of the Question Hour today. (Interruptions) Yesterday, the Foreign Minister Shri Mahavaisnh Solanki had made a statement. (Interruptions) He had stated that he had handed over a note. (Interruptions)