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Title: The Speaker made reference to the 65th Anniversary of the dropping of atom bombs on the Japanese cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki on 6th and 9th August, 1945, respectively.

MADAM SPEAKER: Hon. Members may recall that 65 years ago, atom bombs were dropped on the Japanese cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki on 6th and 9th August, 1945 respectively, as a result of which thousands of innocent people lost their lives and millions were injured and crippled for life. This man-made catastrophe has wreaked unimaginable havoc and misery on generations of humankind. Persons living in the region are still suffering from the after-effects of the nuclear radiation caused by these bombings.

On this occasion, let us reiterate our pledge to make earnest endeavours for elimination of all weapons of mass destruction and to abjure violence in all forms.

The House may now stand in silence in the memory of the victims of the atom bomb.

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11.01 hrs.

The Members then stood in silence for a short while.
