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Title: The Speaker made a reference on the passing away of Shri Kumar Majhi, a member of the 5th Lok Sabha; Shri Tindivanam G. Venkatraman, a member of the 11th Lok Sabha and Smt. Maya Ray, a member of the 5th Lok Sabha.

MADAM SPEAKER: Hon. Members, I have to inform the House about the sad demise of three of our former colleagues, Sarvashri Kumar Majhi, Tindivanam G. Venkatraman and Shrimati Maya Ray.

Shri Kumar Majhi was a member of Fifth Lok Sabha from 1971 to 1977 representing the Keonjhar Parliamentary Constituency of the then State of Odisha.

An active political and social worker, Shri Majhi worked relentlessly for the upliftment of the downtrodden.

Shri Kumar Majhi passed away on 27, January, 2013 at the age of 69 at Cuttack, Odisha.

Shri Tindivanam G. Venkatraman was a Member of the Eleventh Lok Sabha from 1996 to 1997 representing the then Tindivanam Parliamentary Constituency of Tamil Nadu.

Shri Venkatraman was also a Member of Rajya Sabha from 1989 to 1995.

A distinguished parliamentarian, Shri Venkatraman served as the Union Cabinet Minister for Surface Transport. He also served as member of several Consultative Committees.

Shri Tindivanam G. Venkatraman passed away on 21 February, 2013 at Chennai at the age of 82.

Shrimati Maya Ray was a member of the Fifth Lok Sabha from 1972 to 1977 representing the Raiganj Parliamentary Constituency of West Bengal.

An able parliamentarian, she was a member of the Joint Committees on the Delhi School Education Bill, the Constitution (Thirty-second) Amendment Bill and the Judges (Inquiry) Rules.

Shrimati Maya Ray passed away on 11 March, 2013 in Kolkata at the age of 86.

We deeply mourn the loss of our friends and I am sure the House would join me in conveying our condolences to the bereaved families.

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

11.01 hrs

The Members then stood in silence for a short while.