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Title: Demand to confer 'Bharat Ratna' to our legendary leader shri Nandamuri Taraka Rama Rao.

SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU (SRIKAKULAM): Thank you, Madam Speaker, for giving me the opportunity. Today is a very auspicious day for all of us. It is the Telugu New Year. I request you to allow me to speak in Telugu.

HON. SPEAKER: Okay.

*SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU : Thank you, hon. Speaker Madam, for giving me this opportunity to speak in Telugu. On this eve of Telugu New Year Hemalambi, I extend my warm greetings to you, to the hon. Members and to all Telugu speaking people. Madam Speaker, we are celebrating two festivals today. One is Telugu New year 'Ugadi' and the other is foundation day of 'Telugu Desam Party'. Well known actor and legendary leader shri Nandamuri Taraka Rama Rao founded this party for the welfare of poor and weaker sections. Within nine months of forming a political party, he became the Chief Minister. Welfare schemes introduced by shri NT Rama Rao were emulated by State Governments and Central Government. On this auspicious day I demand Central Government to confer 'Bharat Ratna' to our legendary leader shri Nandamuri Taraka Rama Rao.

माननीय अध्यक्ष : कुछ प्रमुख बातें उठ गई हैं। There will be no 'Zero Hour' today.