

## LOK SABHA DEBATES

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### LOK SABHA

13.30 hrs.

#### President's Address

Monday, February 24, 1992/ Phalgun 5,  
1913 (Saka)

[English]

The Lok Sabha met at twenty minutes  
past thirteen of the Clock

[MR. SPEAKER in the Chair]

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to extend a  
very warm welcome to all of you.

SECRETARY-GENERAL: I beg to lay  
on the Table a copy of the President's  
Address to both Houses of Parliament as-  
sembled together on the 24th February,  
1992.

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#### MEMBERS SWORN

#### PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

Shrimati Sukhbans Kaur (Gurdaspur)

Hon'ble Members,

Shri Raghunandan Lal Bhatia (Amritsar)

I welcome you to this first session of  
Parliament in 1992 and wish you the very  
best for the successful completion of the  
budgetary and legislative business ahead. I  
extend a special welcome to the new mem-  
bers from Punjab.

Shri Surinder Singh Kairon (Tarn Taran)

Shrimati Santosh Chowdhary (Phillaur)

Shri Kamal Chaudhary (Hoshiarpur)

Shri Harchand Singh (Ropar)

Shri Sant Ram Singla (Patiala)

Shri Gurcharan Singh Galib (Ludhiana)

Shri Gurcharan Singh Dadahoor  
(Sangrur)

Shri Kewal Singh (Bhatinda)

Shri Jagmeet Singh Brar (Faridkot)

2. The Government had given an assur-  
ance that elections would be held in Punjab  
in February, 1992. Despite many serious  
problems, this assurance has been fulfilled.  
Members are aware that the State of Punjab  
has been facing terrorist violence for the  
past decade and many innocent lives have  
been lost. The brave people of Punjab de-  
serve to be congratulated for the courage  
they have displayed in re-affirming their faith  
in the democratic process and in the abiding  
values of secularism and nationhood. The  
Government is committed to finding a just  
and amicable solution to all the outstanding  
issues in Punjab. The Rajiv-Longowal Ac-  
cord was a step in this direction. The pres-