

LOK SABHA DEBATES

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Wednesday, January 16, 1985/Pausa 26,
1906, (Saka)

The Lok Sabha met at Eleven of the
Clock

[THE SPEAKER *pro tem* (SHRI
JAGJIVAN RAM) *in the Chair*]

[English]

MR. SPEAKER : Secretary-General may call out names of members who have not yet taken the oath or made the affirmation.

MEMBERS SWORN

Shri Arif Mohd. Khan (Bahraich)
Shri K.P. Singh Deo (Dhenkanal)
Shri Ramdeo Rai (Samastipur)
Shri Daulatsinhji Jadeja (Jamnagar)
Shri Dalbir Singh (Sirsa)
Shri T.V. Chandrasekharappa (Shimoga)
Shri G. Devaraya Naik (Kanara)
Shri Martand Singh (Rewa)
Shri Dileep Singh Bhuria (Jhabua)
Shri D.B. Shingda (Dahanu)
Shri Giridhar Gamango (Koraput)
Shri Nar Bahadur Bhandari (Sikkim)
Shri Harish Rawat (Almora)
Shri Manik Sanyal (Jalpaiguri)

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Shri Manoranjan Halder (Mathurapur)

Shri B.V. Desai (Raichur)

MR. SPEAKER : Any Member who is present and has not taken his oath may now come and take the oath—There is nobody.

We go to the next item.

11.11 hrs.

ELECTION OF SPEAKER

[English]

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI RAJIV GANDHI) : I beg to move :

“That Shri Bal Ram, a Member of this House, be chosen as the Speaker of this House.”

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMEN-
TARY AFFAIRS (SHRI H.K.L. BHAGAT) : I second the motion.

MR. SPEAKER : Shri Shyam Lal Yadav may now move the Motion standing in his name.

[Translation]

SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV
(Varanasi) : Hon. Speaker, Sir I beg to move :

“That Shri Bal Ram, a Member of this House, be chosen as the Speaker of this House.”

[English]

SHRI VAKKOM PURUSHOTHAMAN
(Alleppey) : I second the Motion.

MR. SPEAKER : Motion moved by Shri Rajiv Gandhi :

“That Shri Bal Ram, a member of this House, be chosen as the Speaker of the House.”

Motion moved by Shri Shyam Lal Yadav :

“That Shri Bal Ram, a member of this House, be chosen as the Speaker of the House.”

SHRI SUDINI JAIPAL REDDY (Mahbubnagar) : Which is the motion which we are voting—the motion moved by the Prime Minister or the Motion moved by Shri Shyam Lal Yadav ?

MR. SPEAKER : Both the motions are before the House. I shall now put the first motion, that is, the motion moved by Shri Rajiv Gandhi and seconded by Shri H.K.L. Bhagat to the vote of the House.

The question is :

“That Shri Bal Ram, a member of this House be chosen as the Speaker of this House”.

The motion was adopted.

MR. SPEAKER : I declare Shri Bal Ram duly elected as the Speaker of the House. Now, I have great pleasure in inviting Shri Bal Ram to occupy the Chair.

(Shri Bal Ram was conducted to the Chair by the Prime Minister, Shri H.K.L. Bhagat, Shri C. Madhav Reddy, Shri Erasu Ayyapu Reddy, Prof. Madhu Dandavate, Dr. Saradish Roy and Shri P. Kolandaivelu)

[**MR. SPEAKER (SHRI BAL RAM)** in the Chair]

11.17 hrs.

FELICITATIONS TO THE SPEAKER

[*English*]

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI RAJIV GANDHI) : Mr. Speaker, Sir, recent

months have been very eventful, but out of horror and turmoil has risen a new stronger India. Sir, before you, you see a new House, many different faces and a much smaller Opposition. We would like to say that although our party has won by an overwhelming majority, we would not like to use that majority as a club to hit the Opposition with. But we will forcefully argue our points of view and bring them home.

Mr. Speaker, Sir, you have shown your mettle as the Speaker during the past five years in handling very difficult situations at times and we are very glad that you are with us for another five years. Your grass-root-sense of the pulse of the people from your background as a farmer will be useful to the House. Your association with the farming community which is our largest community will help guide this nation. I would welcome you once again and congratulate you.

SHRI C. MADHAV REDDY (Adilabad) : Mr. Speaker, Sir, I congratulate you on behalf of Telugu Desam Party and on my own behalf on your being elected unanimously as the Speaker of this august House.

As I stand here to felicitate you, I am reminded of the great days of Shri Mavalankar, when he was the first Speaker, a great Speaker, who laid the foundations of the practices of this House. I had the good fortune of being a Member of this House during those days and I had seen Shri Mavalankar conducting this House with dignity and laying the foundations of the practices and the procedures of this House. Thereafter, Speaker after Speaker who have been succeeding Shri Mavalankar walked in the footsteps of Shri Mavalankar and I am sure, you, as a very able Speaker, would keep up the traditions and conduct the House in the same old traditions.

DR. SARADISH ROY (Bolarpur) : Mr. Speaker, Sir, I, on behalf of my party, the Communist Party of India (Marxist) congratulate you on being elected for the second term as Speaker of this House. We in the opposition, though reduced in number, yet command about 50 per cent of the popular votes polled during the last election. We expect and hope that you as well as the