

LOK SABHA DEBATES

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Monday, November 18, 1985/Kartika 27, 1907
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The Lok Sabha met at Eleven of the
Clock.

[MR. SPEAKER *in the Chair*]

[English]

MR. SPEAKER : I welcome you all.
Please sit down.

WELCOME TO PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION FROM FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

MR. SPEAKER : Hon. Members, I have to make an announcement. On my own behalf and on behalf of the hon. Members of the House, I have great pleasure in extending our warm welcome to Mr. Dieter Julius Cronenberg, Vice-President of the Bundestag (the Popular House of the Federal Republic of Germany) and the Hon. Members of Parliamentary Delegation from the Federal Republic of Germany. They are on a visit to India as our honoured guests.

The other hon. Members of the delegation are :—

(1) Mr. George Schlaga, M.P.

(2) Mr. Michael Glos, M.P.

The delegation arrived here on Saturday, 16th November, 1985 morning.

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They are now seated in the Special Box. We wish them a happy and fruitful stay in our country. We also convey our warm greetings and very best wishes through them to His Excellency the Chancellor, the President, the Government and the friendly people of the Federal Republic of Germany.

MEMBERS SWORN

Shri Raghunandan Lal Bhatia (Amritsar)

Major General Rajinder Singh Sparrow (Jullundur)

Ch. Sunder Singh (Phillaur) (SC)

Shri Kamal Chaudhry (Hoshiarpur)

Shri Charanjit Singh (Ropar) (SC)

Shri Charanjit Singh Walia (Patiala)

Shri Mewa Singh (Ludhiana)

Shri Balwant Singh Ramuwalia
(Sangrur)

Shri Teja Singh Dardi (Bhatinda—SC)

Shri Shaminder Singh (Faridkot)

Shri Gurdial Singh Dhillon (Ferozepur)

OBITUARY REFERENCES

[English]

MR. SPEAKER : Hon. Members, as we meet today after an interval of nearly

two-and-a-half months, it is my sad duty to inform the House of the passing away of nine of our former colleagues, namely, Shrimati Jayashri Raiji, Sarvashri Amar Nath Vidyalankar, Ponnapati Antony Reddi, Parimal Ghosh, Chandrabhan Balaji Athare Patil, Baburao Jangluji Kale, Lalit Sen, Shibban Lal Saksena and Rajesh Kumar Singh.

Shrimati Jayashri Raiji was a Member of the First Lok Sabha during 1952—57 representing Bombay Suburban constituency of the erstwhile State of Bombay.

A veteran Freedom fighter, she took active part in the freedom struggle and suffered imprisonment.

A well-known social worker and academician, she worked in various capacities for the uplift of women throughout her life. Besides being the Vice-President of the All India Women's Conference during 1950—53, she was associated with several other social welfare organisations. She was one of the Vice-Presidents of the Distress Relief Fund Committee for relief to riot sufferers and rehabilitation of the displaced persons after the Partition. She also functioned as Honorary Magistrate and Justice of Peace in 1949.

Shrimati Jayashri Raiji passed away on 28th August, 1985, at Bombay at the age of 90 years.

Shri Amar Nath Vidyalankar was a member of the First, Third and Fifth Lok Sabha during 1952—57, 1962—67 and 1971—77 representing Jullunder and Hoshiarpur constituencies of the State of Punjab and the Union Territory of Chandigarh respectively. He had also been a Member of the Punjab State Legislative Assembly during 1950-51 and 1957—62. He was a Minister in the Punjab State Cabinet during 1956—62.

An able Parliamentarian, trade unionist and social worker, he did not miss any chance to focus the problems faced by the working classes and weaker sections of the society both inside and outside Parliament. Apart from his manifold activities in political and social

spheres, he served for many years as a Municipal Commissioner in Amritsar and was associated with several organisations both Government and private in various capacities. He was a life member of Servants of the People Society and President of Federation of PTI Employees' Union for several years.

A well-known journalist, he was the author of several publications both in English and Hindi. He also led several goodwill delegations abroad besides being the leader of Indian delegation to International Labour Organisation in 1957.

Shri Amar Nath Vidyalankar passed away on 21st September, 1985 at New Delhi at the age of 83 years.

Shri Ponnapati Antony Reddi was a member of the Fourth and Fifth Lok Sabha during 1967—77 representing Anantpur constituency of the State of Andhra Pradesh. Earlier he had been a Member of the Andhra Pradesh Legislative Assembly during 1955—57.

A teacher and agriculturist by profession, he took keen interest in the advancement of education. Besides running a model residential High School in Anantpur District, he was associated with several educational institutions in Andhra Pradesh. He was a Member of the Senate of Andhra Pradesh and Sri Venkateswara Universities. He also served on the Enquiry Committee on the functioning of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research.

Shri Reddi took keen interest in the uplift of weaker sections of society and in rural development.

Shri Reddi passed away on 29th September, 1985 at Anantpur at the age of 77 years.

Shri Parimal Ghosh was a Member of the Fourth Lok Sabha during 1967—70 representing Ghatal constituency of West Bengal. He served in the Union Council of Ministers as a Minister of State from March, 1967 to October, 1969 and a gain from June, 1970 to March, 1971.

A businessman by profession, he was associated with several social organisations and was appointed as the Justice of Peace in the State of West Bengal in 1960. Shri Ghose was a lover of sports and widely travelled person. He served as India's Ambassador to Turkey from 1981 to 84.

Shri Parimal Ghosh passed away on 14th October, 1985 at Calcutta at the age of 68 years.

Shri Chandrabhan Balaji Athare Patil was a Member of the Seventh Lok Sabha during 1980—84 representing Ahmednagar constituency of Maharashtra.

A veteran freedom fighter, he actively participated in the Quit India Movement and suffered imprisonment. An advocate by profession, he took keen interest in the spread of education and was the Secretary of Ahmadnagar Zila Maratha Vidya Prasarak Samaj. He was also the Vice-President of Maharashtra Indo-Soviet Friendship Organisation.

Shri Chandrabhan Balaji Athare Patil passed away on 16th October, 1985 at Pune at the age of 65 years.

Shri Baburao Janglaji Kale was a Member of the Fifth Lok Sabha during 1971—76 from Jalna constituency of Maharashtra. Consequent upon his election to the Maharashtra State Legislative Council, he resigned from the membership of Lok Sabha in May, 1976. Earlier he had been a member of the Maharashtra State Legislative Assembly for 9 years and also served in the State Cabinet.

An agriculturist and social worker, Shri Kale took keen interest in the spread of education and community development. He was the founder of two educational institutions besides being a member of the Maharashtra University Court and the State Irrigation Committee. He was also associated with several other organisations in various capacities.

Shri Kale passed away on 18th October, 1985 at Bombay at the age of 59 years.

Shri Lalit Sen was a Member of the Third and Fourth Lok Sabha during 1962—70 representing Mandi constituency of Himachal Pradesh.

An able parliamentarian, he served as Member of the Estimates Committee of Third Lok Sabha in 1963. He was Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister during 1964—66. He also served as member of the Hindi Advisory Committee of All India Radio in 1962. A widely travelled person, he was one of the Indian delegates to the United Nations in 1961.

A well-known social worker, he took keen interest in social activities since his early age and worked for the welfare and spread of education among weaker sections of society. He was associated with several State organisations in various capacities. He was the Founder-President of Himachal Pradesh Central State Land Mortgage Bank Limited.

Shri Lalit Sen passed away on 18th October, 1985 at the AIIMS, New Delhi at the age of 53 years.

Shri Shibban Lal Saksena was a Member of the Constituent Assembly, Provisional Parliament, First, Second, Fifth and Sixth Lok Sabha during 1946—50, 1950—52, 1954—57, 1957—62, 1971-77 and 1977—79 respectively from Maharajganj constituency of Uttar Pradesh. Earlier, he had been a member of the Uttar Pradesh Legislative Assembly during 1937—46 and 1964—67.

A veteran Freedom fighter, he actively participated in the freedom movement and suffered imprisonment several times. An able Parliamentarian, social worker and trade unionist, he did not miss any opportunity to ventilate the difficulties faced by working class, both inside and outside the Parliament. He was associated with a number of trade unions and social and educational organisations. He served on several Parliamentary Committees during his stint in Parliament.

A well known academician, he took keen interest in the spread of education besides being the founder of several educational institutions. He was also the

author of several publications mostly relating to labour organisations. A widely travelled person, he attended the world Peace Council meetings in Berlin in 1954 and in Stockholm in 1955 besides representing Indian Labour at several International Labour Conferences.

Shri Shibban Lal Saksena passed away on 20 October, 1985 at Lucknow at the age of 80 years.

Shri Rajesh Kumar Singh was a member of the Seventh Lok Sabha during 1980—84 representing Firozabad Constituency of Uttar Pradesh.

An agriculturist, social and political worker, Shri Singh was an able and active parliamentarian as well. He served on the Committee on Papers laid on the Table.

Shri Rajesh Kumar Singh passed away in a tragic road accident on 3 November, 1985 at Agra at the young age of 44 years.

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

The House may now stand in silence for a short while to express its sorrow

The members then stood in silence for a short while.

11.23 hrs.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW MINISTERS

[English]

MR. SPEAKER : Shri Bhagat to introduce the new Minister.

BASUDEB ACHARIA (Bankura) : The Prime Minister should introduce.

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMEN-
TARY AFFAIRS AND TOURISM
(SHRI H.K.L. BHAGAT) : I have great pleasure in introducing to you and through

you to the House my colleagues who have been appointed as Ministers. (Interruptions)

SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA : The Prime Minister should introduce.

SHRI K.P. UNNIKRIISHNAN (Badagram) : He is neither the Leader of the House nor the Prime Minister. The Prime Minister, by convention, should introduce the Ministers. They can introduce themselves now, if they want.

MR. SPEAKER : The Minister for Parliamentary Affairs can do it.

PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE (Rajapur) : It is very strange that when the House is in Session, the Prime Minister has chosen to go out of the country. On the top of it, they rub us the wrong way.

MR. SPEAKER : He is the Parliamentary Affairs Minister. He is entitled to introduce. He can do it.

SHRI K.P. UNNIKRIISHNAN : Who is he to introduce? Please don't accept this proposition.

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA (Basirhat) : There is no precedent at all. Never it has been done.

PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE : From 1952 to this time, nobody except the Prime Minister has introduced.

MR. SPEAKER : Last time, he did it.

PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE : It is very wrong. There are certain proprieties of the House which should be observed.

SHRI K.P. UNNIKRIISHNAN : They may introduce themselves. The Minister of Parliamentary Affairs is a Member of the Council of Ministers. He is nobody to introduce other Ministers.

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA : Either let them introduce themselves or let them be introduced after Prime Minister's return. Let them introduce themselves.