LOK SABHA

Friday, August 6, 1982/Sravana 15, 1904 (Saka)

The Lok Sabha met at Eleven of the Clock

[Mr. Speaker in the Chair]

MR SPEAKER: For a change there is no bell.

Obituary Reference

MR. SPEAKER: I have to inform the House of the sad demise of Shri Godey Murahari, a Member of 6th Lok Sabha and a former Deputy Speaker.

Shri Godey Murahari was elected to the 6th Lok Sabha from the Vijayawara constituency of Andhra Pradesh. Earlier he was a Member of Rajya Sabha from 1962 to 1977 and Deputy Chairmen, Rajya Sabha from 1972 to 1977. He was elected Deputy Speaker, Lok Sabha in April, 1977.

He was a veteran freedom fighter and participated in the 'Quit India Movement' and suffered imprisonment. He was a Member of the Public Accounts Committee during 1966-68 and a Member of the Committee on Public Undertakings during 1968-70.

He was a Member of the National Shipping Board in 1970-71 and was associated with several national and international Organisations viz. Inter-Parliamentary Union, Commission on National Legislatures, World Constitution and Parliamentary

Association, Indian Parliamentary Group, etc.

A veteran and keen Parliamentarian, he made a mark as an able Presiding Officer.

He passed away at New Delhi on 5 August, 1982 at the age of 56 years.

We deeply mourn the loss of this friend and I am sure the House will join me in conveying our condolences to the bereaved family.

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

The Members then stood in silence for a short while.

ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Credit Deposit Ratio in Eastern Region

*388 SHRI CHIITA BASU : Will the MINISTER OF FINANCE be pleased to state;

- (a) whether it is a fact that the credit-deposit ratio of nationalised banks in eastern region is lower than that of western and northern region;
 - (b) if so, the reasons thereof; and
- (c) steps taken to raise the level of that ratio?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY): (a) to (c). A statement is laid on the table of the House.