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LOK SABHA

Tuesday, February 18, 1969 Magha 29, 1890 (Saka)

The Lok Sabha met at Eleven of the Clock.

[MR. SPEAKER in the Chair]

OBITUARY REFERENCE

MR. SPEAKER : I have to inform the House of the sad demise of Shri Beli Ram Das who passed away at Gauhati on the 14th January, 1969 at the age of sixty.

Shri Beli Ram Das was a Member of the First Lok Sabha during the years 1952-57. We deeply mourn the loss of this friend and 1 am sure the House will join me in conveying our condolences to the bereaved family.

SHRI HEM BARUA (Mangaldai): I have had the proud privilege of knowing Mr. Beli Ram Das very intimately for over a decade. He was a member of the Scheduled Castes and gave the best expression to our national aspirations. He was a valiant fighter for the freedom of India. He gave our nationalist aspirations the best expression. On behalf of our Party, we deeply mourn the loss of Beli Ram Das who as a Member of this House made distinctive contributions to the deliberations of this House.

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI: Shri Beli Ram Das was one of the diminishing number of our old freedom fighters who joined the freedom struggle in 1921. He worked in many fields but was specially interested in the welfare of Harijans as well as the Scheduled Tribes. We deeply mourn his loss and request you to convey our condolences to the bereaved family.

MR. SPEAKER : 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

Central Advisory Council for Industries

*I. SHRI P. M. SAYEED : SHRI MANIBHAI J. PATEL : SHRI RAGHUVIR SINGH SHASTRI : SHRI CHENGALRAYA NAIDU :

Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether a meeting of the Central Advisory Council for Industries was held in the beginning of January, 1969; and

(b) if so, the topics discussed and the main decisions arrived at as a result thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOP-MENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COM-PANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RAGHUNATHA REDDY): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The meeting of the Central Advisory Council of Industries reviewed the general economic situation and Industrial development in the country and also considered matters having a bearing on industrial licensing policy. Suggestionsl observations made by members related to

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