

11.42 hrs.

## PANEL OF CHAIRMEN

MR. SPEAKER : At present there is no Deputy-Speaker or the Panel of Chairmen. I am not announcing all the names for the Panel of Chairmen because I have not been able to make up my mind. I am now announcing the names of only two. I will announce the names of others later on. These two have acted as Chairman previously. Under rule 9 of the Rules of Procedure, I nominate Shri K. N. Tiwary and Shri R. D. Bhandare as members of the Panel of Chairmen. This is just to help me for the time being. I will do it about others later on.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE (Kanpur) : Both from the ruling party ?

MR. SPEAKER : Yes.

SHRI PILOO MODY (Godhra) : That is the only place where he is going to get any help from.

11.43 hrs.

RAILWAY BUDGET, 1971-72—GENERAL DISCUSSION. \*DEMANDS FOR GRANTS ON ACCOUNT (RAILWAYS), 1971-72 AND\* DEMANDS FOR SUPPLEMENTARY GRANTS (RAILWAYS), 1970-71.

MR. SPEAKER : The House will now take up general discussion on the Railway Budget 1971-72. Discussion and Voting on the Demands for Grants on account and Discussion and Voting on the Supplementary Demands for Grants. I have allotted time for the discussion of all these three items.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE (Kanpur) : Because the Business Advisory Committee has not been formed we do not know how much time is allotted. I would suggest that you nominate the Business Advisory Committee so that we could allot time for the discussion and know how much time is given

to our group so that on that basis we could fix our speakers.

MR. SPEAKER : I am going to do it very soon. I am yet discovering my members.

SHRI N. SREEKANTAN NAIR (Quilon) : Sir, on a point of order.

MR. SPEAKER : On what ?

SHRI N. SREEKANTAN NAIR : On the discussion of the Demands for Grants. If you decide to have this discussion over by today evening how could we move our cut motions ?

MR. SPEAKER : Since we have just started our session, we will have some departure from the practice for a day or two. This discussion may continue tomorrow also. For the time being, I am fixing only five hours.

I would also request hon. Members to announce their names and the States to which they belong just for this session alone so that the press and the official reporters may not find it difficult to identify them. So, it would be much better if they announce their names before speaking.

SHRI PILOO MODY (Godhra) : Even for interruptions ?

MR. SPEAKER : Yes. Shri Piloo Mody is well known for that. At 4.30 p.m. we will adjourn for half an hour and the General Budget will be presented at 5 p.m. If the discussion on the Railway budget is not concluded by today evening we will continue it tomorrow also.

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA (Alipore) : May I know how much time our Group has got ?

MR. SPEAKER : We are agreed to split the time partywise. Hon. Members can enquire from the Table as to what is their share of the time.

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\*Moved with the recommendation of the President.