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**Brief Record of the Proceedings of the Meeting of the Rajya Sabha held  
on the 9<sup>th</sup> February, 2017**

<sup>λ</sup>11-01 a.m.

**1. Papers Laid on the Table**

The following papers were laid on the Table:—

1.(1) A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers, under sub-section (1) (b) of Section 394 of the Companies Act, 2013:—

(i) (a) Fifty-eighth Annual Report and Accounts of the Handicrafts and Handlooms Exports Corporation of India Limited (HHEC), New Delhi, for the year 2015-16, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts and the comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India thereon.

(b) Review by Government on the working of the above Corporation.

(ii) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Central Cottage Industries Corporation of India Limited (CCIC), New Delhi, for the year 2015-16, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts and the comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India thereon.

(b) Review by Government on the working of the above Corporation.

(2) Statements (in English and Hindi) giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (1) above.

<sup>λ</sup> From 11-00 a.m. to 11-01 a.m., some points were raised.

2. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers:—

- (i) (a) Twenty-fifth Annual Report and Accounts of the National Academy of Ayurveda, Rashtriya Ayurveda Vidyapeeth, New Delhi, for the year 2015-16, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.
- (b) Review by Government on the working of the above Academy.
- (c) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (i) (a) above.
- (ii) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the National Institute of Homoeopathy, Kolkata, for the year 2015-16, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.
- (b) Review by Government on the working of the above Institute.
- (c) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (ii) (a) above.

3. A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions (Department of Personnel and Training) Notification No. G.S.R. 59 (E), dated the 20<sup>th</sup> January, 2017, publishing the All India Services (Discipline and Appeal) Amendment Rules, 2017, under sub-section (2) of Section 3 of the All India Services Act, 1951.

4. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers:—

- (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Central Government Employees Consumer Co-operative Society Limited (Kendriya Bhandar), New Delhi, for the year 2015-16, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.
- (b) Review by Government on the working of the above Society.
- (c) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (a) above.

5. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers:—

- (a) Annual Report of the National Institute of Health and Family Welfare (NIHFW), New Delhi, for the year 2015-16.
- (b) Annual Accounts of the National Institute of Health and Family Welfare (NIHFW), New Delhi, for the year 2015-16, and the Audit Report thereon.

- (c) Review by Government on the working of the above Institute.
- (d) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (a) and (b) above.

6. A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Railways (Railway Board) Notification No. S.O. 4055 (E), dated the 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2016, publishing the Authorisation of Rail Travellers' Service Agents (Second Amendment) Rules, 2016, under Section 199 of the Railways Act, 1989.

7. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers:—

- (i) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Rail Land Development Authority (RLDA), New Delhi, for the year 2015-16, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.
- (b) Review by Government on the working of the above Authority.
- (c) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (i) (a) above.
- (ii) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Indian Railway Welfare Organisation (IRWO), New Delhi, for the year 2015-16, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.
- (b) Performance Review of the above Organisation, for the year 2015-16.
- (c) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (ii) (a) above.

8. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers:—

- (a) Annual Report of the National Council for Cooperative Training (NCCT), New Delhi, for the year 2015-16.
- (b) Annual Accounts of the National Council for Cooperative Training (NCCT), New Delhi, for the year 2015-16, and the Audit Report thereon.
- (c) Review by Government on the working of the above Council.
- (d) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (a) and (b) above.

9. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers:—
- (i) (a) Annual Report of the Central Tibetan Schools Administration (CTSA), Delhi, for the year 2015-16.
  - (b) Annual Accounts of the Central Tibetan Schools Administration (CTSA), Delhi, for the year 2015-16, and the Audit Report thereon.
  - (c) Review by Government on the working of the above Organisation.
  - (d) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (i) (a) and (b) above.
  - (ii) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, Union Territory Mission Authority, Dadra and Nagar Haveli, for the year 2014-15, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.
  - (b) Statement by Government accepting the above Report.
  - (c) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (ii) (a) above.
  - (iii) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, UT Mission Authority, Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Port Blair, for the year 2014-15, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.
  - (b) Statement by Government accepting the above Report.
  - (c) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (iii) (a) above.
  - (iv) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Bihar Education Project Council, Patna, implementing the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), for the year 2014-15, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.
  - (b) Statement by Government accepting the above Report.
  - (c) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (iv) (a) above.
  - (v) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Odisha Primary Education Programme Authority (OPEPA), Bhubaneswar, for the year 2014-15, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.

- (b) Statement by Government accepting the above Report.
  - (c) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (v) (a) above.
- (vi) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, State Mission Authority, Manipur, Imphal, for the year 2014-15, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.
- (b) Statement by Government accepting the above Report.
  - (c) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (vi) (a) above.

10. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers under Section 25 of the National Trust for Welfare of Persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities Act, 1999:—

- (a) Sixteenth Annual Report and Accounts of the National Trust for the Welfare of Persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities, New Delhi, for the year 2015-16, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.
- (b) Review by Government on the working of the above Trust.

11. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Human Resource Development (Department of Higher Education), under sub-section (2) of Section 43 of the Central University Act, 2009:—

- (1) No. 195, dated the 12<sup>th</sup> September, 2012, regarding amendments to Statutes 11 and 13 of Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya.
- (2) No. 326, dated the 17<sup>th</sup> August, 2016, regarding amendments to Statutes 15 and 2(4) of Central University of South Bihar.
- (3) No. 327, dated the 17<sup>th</sup> August, 2016, publishing the Central University of South Bihar First Ordinances.

12. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers:—

- (i) (a) Annual Accounts of the Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), New Delhi, for the year 2015-16, and the Audit Report thereon, under sub-section (4) of Section 29 of the Indira Gandhi National Open University Act, 1985.

- (b) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (i) (a) above.
- (ii) (a) Annual Report of the Indian Institute of Information Technology, Design & Manufacturing (IIITD&M), Jabalpur, for the year 2015-16.
  - (b) Annual Accounts of the Indian Institute of Information Technology, Design & Manufacturing (IIITD&M), Jabalpur, for the year 2015-16, and the Audit Report thereon.
  - (c) Review by Government on the working of the above Institute.
  - (d) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (ii) (a) above.
- (iii) (a) Annual Report of the Sardar Vallabhbhai National Institute of Technology, Surat, for the year 2014-15.
  - (b) Annual Accounts of the Sardar Vallabhbhai National Institute of Technology, Surat, for the year 2014-15, and the Audit Report thereon, under sub-section (4) of Section 22 of the National Institutes of Technology Act, 2007.
  - (c) Review by Government on the working of the above institute.
  - (d) Statements giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (iii) (a) and (b) above.
- (iv) (a) Annual Report of the National Council for Promotion of Sindhi Language (NCPSL), New Delhi, for the year 2015-16.
  - (b) Annual Accounts of the National Council for Promotion of Sindhi Language (NCPSL), New Delhi, for the year 2015-16, and the Audit Report thereon.
  - (c) Review by Government on the working of the above Council.
  - (d) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (iv) (a) and (b) above.
- (v) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha, New Delhi, for the year 2015-16, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.
  - (b) Review by Government on the working of the above Vidyapeetha.

- (c) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (v) (a) above.

13.(1) A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers, under sub-section (1) (b) of Section 394 of the Companies Act, 2013:—

- (a) Forty-sixth Annual Report and Accounts of the Cotton Corporation of India Limited (CCI), Navi Mumbai, for the year 2015-16, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts and the comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India thereon.
- (b) Review by Government on the working of the above Corporation.

(2) Statement (in English and Hindi) giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (1) above.

14. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers:—

- (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the South India Textile Research Association (SITRA), Coimbatore, for the year 2015-16, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.
- (b) Performance Review of the above Association, for the year 2015-16.
- (c) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (a) above.

11-03 a.m.

## **2. Report of the Department Related Parliamentary Standing Committee on External Affairs**

Dr. Karan Singh, laid on the Table, a copy (in English and Hindi) of the Fourteenth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on External Affairs (2016-17) on action taken by the Government on the Observations/Recommendations contained in the Eleventh Report on Demands for Grants of the Ministry of External Affairs for the year 2016-17.

11-04 a.m.

### 3. Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings

Shri Narendra Budania, laid on the Table, a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the Seventeenth Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings on action taken by the Government on the Observations/Recommendations contained in the Twelfth Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings on 'National Aluminium Company Limited (NALCO)'.

11-05 a.m.

### 4. Statements by Ministers

1. Rao Inderjit Singh, Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Planning, Minister of State in the Ministry of Urban Development and in the Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation, laid on the Table, a statement (in English and Hindi) regarding Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Eleventh Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Urban Development on Demands for Grants (2016-17) pertaining to the Ministry of Urban Development.

2. Shri Rajen Gohain, Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways, laid on the Table, a statement (in English and Hindi) regarding Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Tenth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on 'Pending Projects'.

® 11-25 a.m.

*The House adjourned and reassembled at 12-00 Noon.*

12-00 Noon

### 5. Starred Questions

Starred Question No. 76 was orally answered. Answers to remaining Starred Questions (77 to 90) were laid on the Table.

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® From 11-06 a.m. to 11-25 a.m., some points were raised.



## 6. Unstarred Questions

Answers to Unstarred Question Nos. 797 to 956 were laid on the Table.

12-03 p.m.

*The House adjourned and re-assembled at 2-00 p.m.*

<sup>v</sup>2-03 p.m.

## 7. The Union Budget, 2017-18

General discussion on the Union Budget, 2017-18 commenced.

The following Members took part in the discussion:—

2-03 p.m.	1.	Shri P. Chidambaram
3-04 p.m.	2.	Shri Prabhat Jha
3-43 p.m.	3.	Shri Vishambhar Prasad Nishad
4-07 p.m.	4.	Shri Sukhendu Sekhar Roy
<sup>a</sup> 4-49 p.m.	5.	Shri Tapan Kumar Sen <i>(Speech unfinished)</i>

The discussion was not concluded.

5-00 p.m.

## 8. Special Mentions

The following Special Mentions were laid on the Table of the House:—

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| 1. | Shri Tiruchi Siva   | Demand to take steps to grant the status of world heritage site to Kallanai Dam on river Cauvery in Tamil Nadu. |
| 2. | Shri Derek O' Brien | Demand to take steps to ensure privacy and security while providing services on the basis of Aadhaar Database.  |

<sup>v</sup> From 2-00 p.m. to 2-03 p.m., some points were raised.

<sup>a</sup> From 4-48 p.m. to 4-49 p.m., some points were raised.

3. Shri Md. Nadimul Haque Demand to take effective measures to check the incidents of online trolling in social media.
4. Prof. M.V. Rajeev Gowda Demand to take effective measures to make the country polio free in view of the return of Vaccine –Derived Type 2 Polio Virus in Gujarat.
5. Shri T. Rathinavel Demand to withhold the decision of shifting the Regional News Bulletins of All India Radio, particularly Tamil, from New Delhi to respective State Capitals.

*(Due to gross disorderly conduct in violation of the rules and etiquette of Rajya Sabha by the following Members, who entered the 'Well' of the House, shouted slogans and persistently and willfully obstructed the proceedings of the House, the Chair adjourned the House twice:-*

1. Shri A. Navaneethakrishnan
2. Shri K.R. Arjunan
3. Shri A.K. Selvaraj
4. Shri R. Vaithilingam
5. Shri T. Rathinavel
6. Dr. R. Lakshmanan
7. Shri A. Vijayakumar
8. Shrimati Vijila Sathyananth
9. Shri B.K. Hariprasad
10. Shrimati Wansuk Syiem
11. Shri Ripun Bora
12. Shri Narendra Budania
13. Dr. T. Subbarami Reddy
14. Dr. Pradeep Kumar Balmuchu
15. Shri Palvai Govardhan Reddy
16. Shri Shantaram Naik
17. Shrimati Raneer Narah
18. Shrimati Chhaya Verma
19. Shri Shadi Lal Batra
20. Shri P. Bhattacharya
21. Prof. M.V. Rajeev Gowda
22. Dr. K.V.P. Ramachandra Rao

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23. *Shri Santiuse Kujur*
24. *Shri Madhusudan Mistry*
25. *Shri K.C. Ramamurthy*

5-02 p.m.

The House adjourned till 11-00 a.m. on Thursday, the 9<sup>th</sup> March, 2017.

SHUMSHER K. SHERIFF,  
*Secretary-General*