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**Brief Record of the Proceedings of the Meeting of the Rajya Sabha held on the 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2018**

11-00 a.m.

**1. Papers Laid on the Table**

The following papers were laid on the Table:—

1. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers:—
  - (i) (a) Twenty-sixth Annual Report and Accounts of the National Academy of Ayurveda, Rashtriya Ayurveda Vidyapeeth (RAV), New Delhi, for the year 2016-17, 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 2016-17, 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.
  - (iii) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the National Institute of Naturopathy, Pune, for the year 2016-17, 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 (iii) (a) above.
- (iv) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga (MDNIY), New Delhi, for the year 2016-17, 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 (iv) (a) above.

2. A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Economic Affairs), Notification No. SEBI/LAD-NRO/GN/2017-18/012, dated the 20<sup>th</sup> July, 2017, publishing the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Foreign Portfolio Investors (Fourth Amendment) Regulations, 2017, under Section 31 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 and Section 27 of the Depositories Act, 1996.

3. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Economic Affairs), under Section 31 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992:—

- (1) No. SEBI/LAD-NRO/GN/2017-18/022, dated the 20<sup>th</sup> December, 2017, publishing the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Real Estate Investment Trusts) (Amendment) Regulations, 2017.
- (2) No. SEBI/LAD-NRO/GN/2017-18/023, dated the 20<sup>th</sup> December, 2017, publishing the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue and Listing of Debt Securities) (Second Amendment) Regulations, 2017.
- (3) No. SEBI/LAD-NRO/GN/2017-18/024, dated the 20<sup>th</sup> December, 2017, publishing the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Infrastructure Investment Trusts) (Amendment) Regulations, 2017.
- (4) No. SEBI/LAD-NRO/GN/2018/01, dated the 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2018, publishing the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) (Amendment) Regulations, 2018.

4. A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Economic Affairs) Notification No. SEBI/LAD–NRO/GN/2017-18/025, dated the 27<sup>th</sup> December, 2017, publishing the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Settlement of Administrative and Civil Proceedings) (Second Amendment) Regulations, 2017, under Section 31 of Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992; sub-section (3) of Section 31 of the Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956; and Section 27 of the Depositories Act, 1996.

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

- (a) Nineteenth Annual Report and Accounts of the Sardar Swaran Singh National Institute of Bio-Energy (SSS-NIBE), Kapurthala, Punjab, for the year 2016-17, 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 (a) above.

6. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue), under Section 296 of the Income-tax Act, 1961, along with Explanatory Memoranda:—

- (1) G.S.R. 1527 (E), dated the 20<sup>th</sup> December, 2017, publishing the Income-tax (25<sup>th</sup> Amendment) Rules, 2017.
- (2) G.S.R. 44 (E), dated the 19<sup>th</sup> January, 2018, publishing the Tax Return Preparer (Amendment) Scheme, 2018.
- (3) G.S.R. 176 (E), dated the 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2018, publishing the Income-tax (First Amendment) Rules, 2018.

7. A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue), Notification No. G.S.R. 145 (E), dated the 6<sup>th</sup> February, 2018, publishing the Goods and Services Tax Settlement of Funds (Amendment) Rules, 2018, under Section 166 of the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017; Section 24 of the Integrated Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017; and Section 24 of the Union Territory Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017, along with Explanatory Memorandum.

8. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue), under Section 159 of the Customs Act, 1962, along with Explanatory Memoranda :—

- (1) S.O. 868 (E), dated the 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2018, amending Notification No. S.O. 748 (E), dated the 3<sup>rd</sup> August, 2001, to substitute certain entries in the original Notification.
- (2) No. 18/2018-Customs (N.T.), dated the 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2018, notifying exchange rate of conversion of foreign currencies into Indian currency or *vice-versa* as given in the Schedule therein for imported and exported goods *w.e.f.* 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 2018.
- (3) No. 19/2018-Customs (N.T.), dated the 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2018, notifying exchange rate of conversion of foreign currencies into Indian currency or *vice-versa* as given in the Schedule therein for imported and exported goods *w.e.f.* 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2018.
- (4) S.O. 1144 (E), dated the 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2018, amending Notification No. S.O. 748 (E), dated the 3<sup>rd</sup> August, 2001, to substitute certain entries in the original Notification.

9. A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue) Notification No. G.S.R. 220 (E), dated the 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2018, imposing definitive anti-dumping duty on imports of 'O-acid or Ofloxacin Acid' originating in or exported from People's Republic of China at the specified rates for three years in pursuance of the final findings of the Designated Authority, under sub-section (7) of Section 9A of the Customs Tariff Act, 1975, along with Explanatory Memorandum.

10.(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) Annual Report and Accounts of the Pawan Hans Limited, New Delhi, for the year 2016-17, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts and the comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India thereon.
- (b) Statement by Government accepting the above Report.

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

11.(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) Thirty-fifth Annual Report and Accounts of the Rajasthan Electronics and Instruments Limited (REIL), Jaipur, for the year 2016-17, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts and the comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India thereon.

(b) Statement by Government accepting the above Report.

(ii) (a) Sixty-fourth Annual Report and Accounts of the HMT Limited, Bengaluru, along with its subsidiaries, for the year 2016-17, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts and the comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India thereon.

(b) Statement by Government accepting the above Report.

(iii) (a) Sixty-fifth Annual Report and Accounts of the Hindustan Cables Limited (HCL), Kolkata, the year 2016-17, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts and the comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India thereon.

(b) Statement by Government accepting the above Report.

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

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

(a) Twenty-ninth Annual Report and Accounts of the Fluid Control Research Institute (FCRI), Palakkad, Kerala, for the year 2016-17, 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 (a) above.

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

(a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Population Research Centre, (PRC) Institute of Economic Growth (IEG), University of Delhi, Delhi, for the year 2016-17, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.

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

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

14. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, under Section 241 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016:—

- (1) No. IBBI/2017-18/GN/REG/21, dated the 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2017, publishing the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Grievance and Complaint Handling Procedure) Regulations, 2017.
- (2) No. IBBI/2017-18/GN/REG22, dated the 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2018, publishing the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) (Fourth Amendment) Regulations, 2017.
- (3) No. IBBI/2017-18/GN/REG23, dated the 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2018, publishing the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Fast Track Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) (Fourth Amendment) Regulations, 2017.
- (4) No. IBBI/2017-18/GN/REG024, dated the 6<sup>th</sup> February, 2018, publishing the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) (Amendment), Regulations, 2018.
- (5) No. IBBI/2017-18/GN/REG/025, dated the 7<sup>th</sup> February, 2018, publishing the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Fast Track Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) (Amendment) Regulations, 2018.
- (6) G.S.R. 153 (E), dated the 9<sup>th</sup> February, 2018, publishing the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Salary, Allowances and other Terms and Conditions of Service of Chairperson and Members) Amendment Rules, 2018.

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

- (i) (a) Annual Accounts of the National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG), New Delhi, for the year 2011-12, and the Audit Report thereon.
- (b) Review by Government of the Annual Accounts of the above Mission, for the year 2011-12.

- (c) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (i) (a) above.
- (ii) (a) Annual Accounts of the National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG), New Delhi, for the year 2012-13, and the Audit Report thereon.
- (b) Review by Government of the Annual Accounts of the above Mission, for the year 2012-13.
- (c) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (ii) (a) above.
- (iii) (a) Annual Accounts of the National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG), New Delhi, for the year 2013-14, and the Audit Report thereon.
- (b) Review by Government of the Annual Accounts of the above Mission, for the year 2013-14.
- (c) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (iii) (a) above.

11-02 a.m.

## 2. Statements by Ministers

1. Shri Raj Kumar Singh, Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Power and of the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy, laid on the Table, the following statements (in English and Hindi) regarding:—

- (i) Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Tenth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Rural Development on Demands for Grants (2014-15), pertaining to the Department of Rural Development; and
- (ii) Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Eighteenth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Rural Development on Demands for Grants (2015-16), pertaining to the Department of Rural Development.

2. Shri Mansukh L. Mandaviya, Minister of State in the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, Ministry of Shipping and Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers laid on the Table, the following statements (in English and Hindi) regarding:—

- (i) Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Two Hundred and Fifty-second Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on the Action Taken by the Government on the observations/recommendations contained in the Two Hundred and Forty-sixth Report of the Committee on Demands for Grants (2017-18), pertaining to the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways; and
- (ii) Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Two Hundred and Fifty-third Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on the Action Taken by the Government on the observations/recommendations contained in the Two Hundred and Forty-seventh Report of the Committee on Demands for Grants (2017-18), pertaining to the Ministry of Shipping.

⊕ 11-08 a.m.

*The House adjourned and re-assembled at 11-23 a.m.*

### 3. Starred Questions

Answers to Starred Question Nos. 301 to 315 put down in the List of Questions for oral answers for March 23, 2018, were laid on the Table.

Answers to Starred Question Nos. 316 to 330 put down in the List of Questions for oral answers for March 26, 2018, were laid on the Table.

### 4. Unstarred Questions

Answers to Unstarred Question Nos. 3201 to 3360 put down in the List of Questions for written answers for March 23, 2018, were also laid on the Table.

Answers to Unstarred Question Nos. 3361 to 3520 put down in the List of Questions for written answers for March 26, 2018, were also laid on the Table.

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⊕ From 11-03 a.m. to 11-08 a.m., some points were raised.



*(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, displayed placards, shouted slogans and persistently and willfully obstructed the proceedings of the House, the Chair adjourned the House for the day:—*

1. *Dr. K.V.P. Ramachandra Rao*
2. *Shri S.R. Balasubramoniyam*
3. *Shrimati Vijila Sathyananth*
4. *Dr. R. Lakshmanan*
5. *Dr. V. Maitreyan*
6. *Shri K.R. Arjunan*
7. *Shrimati Sasikala Pushpa*
8. *Shri C.M. Ramesh*
9. *Shri Garikapati Mohan Rao*
10. *Shrimati Thota Seetharama Lakshmi*
11. *Shri T.G. Venkatesh*

• 11-30 a.m.

The House adjourned till 11-00 a.m. on Wednesday, the 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2018.

DESH DEEPAK VERMA,  
*Secretary-General*

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• From 11-23 a.m. to 11-30 a.m., some points were raised.