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**Brief Record of the Proceedings of the Meeting of the Rajya Sabha held on  
the 28<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) Annual Report and Accounts of the Allahabad Museum, Allahabad, for the year 2016-17, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.  
(b) Review by Government on the working of the above Museum.  
(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 School of Drama (NSD), 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 School.

2. A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Statement on Quarterly Review of the trends in receipts and expenditure in relation to the Budget, at the end of the third quarter of the Financial Year 2017-18, under sub-section (1) of Section 7 of the Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management Act, 2003.

3. A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Home Affairs, Notification No. G.S.R. 212 (E), dated the 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2018, publishing the Border Security Force, Medical Cadre, Group 'C' Posts (Combatised) Recruitment (Amendment) Rules, 2018, under sub-section (3) of Section 141 of the Border Security Force Act, 1968.

4.(1) A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers, under sub-section (1) of Section 70 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005:—

- (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the National Institute of Disaster Management (NIDM), 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 Institute.

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

5.(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 Air India Limited, New Delhi, along with its subsidiary companies, 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) Review by Government on the working of the above Company.
- (c) Statement by Government accepting the Annual Accounts of the above Company.

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

6. A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Department of Commerce) Notification No. G.S.R. 215 (E), dated the 9<sup>th</sup> March, 2018, publishing the Cardamom (Licensing & Marketing) Amendment Rules, 2018, under Section 40 of the Spices Board Act, 1986.

7. A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion), Notification No. G.S.R. 189 (E), dated the 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2018, publishing the Gas Cylinders (Amendment) Rules, 2018, under sub-section (8) of Section 18 of the Explosives Act, 1884.

8. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers, under sub-section (4) of Section 37 and sub-section (3) of Section 39 of the Special Economic Zones Act, 2005:—

- (i) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the NOIDA Special Economic Zone Authority (NSEZ), Uttar Pradesh, for the year 2016-17, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.
  - (b) Annual Report and Accounts of the Falta Special Economic Zone Authority (FSEZ), West Bengal, for the year 2016-17, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.
  - (c) Annual Report and Accounts of the SEEPZ Special Economic Zone Authority, Mumbai, for the year 2016-17, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.
  - (d) Annual Administrative Report and Accounts of the Visakhapatnam Special Economic Zone Authority, Visakhapatnam, for the year 2016-17, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.
- (ii) Statement by Government accepting the above Reports.

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

- (i) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the National Industrial Corridor Development and Implementation Trust (NICDIT), [*formerly Delhi Mumbai Industrial Corridor Project Implementation Trust Fund (DMICPITE)*] New Delhi, 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 (i) (a) above.
- (ii) (a) Fourteenth Annual Report and Accounts of the Export Promotion Council for EOUs and SEZs (EPCES), 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 Council.
  - (c) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (ii) (a) above.

11-01 a.m.

## **2. Reports of the Public Accounts Committee**

Shri Satyavrat Chaturvedi laid on the Table, a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Reports of the Public Accounts Committee (2017-18):—

- (i) Ninetieth Report on the subject “Performance of Special Economic Zones (SEZ)”;
- (ii) Ninety-first Report on Action Taken by the Government on the Observations/Recommendations contained in the Seventeenth Report (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) on "Ultra Mega Power Projects Under Special Purpose Vehicles”;
- (iii) Ninety-second Report on the subject "Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana”;
- (iv) Ninety-third Report on the subject “Management of Vacant Land in Indian Railways”;
- (v) Ninety-fourth Report on the subject “Working of Central Board of Film Certification (CBFC) and Academic Activities of Satyajit Ray Film and Television Institute, Kolkata for the period from 2010-11 to 2014-15”;
- (vi) Ninety-fifth Report on the subject “Health and Family Welfare”;
- (vii) Ninety-sixth Report on the subject "Management of Narcotics Substances”;
- (viii) Ninety-seventh Report on Action Taken by the Government on observations/recommendations contained in the Seventy-fifth Report (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) on "Performance of Import and Export Trade Facilitation Through Customs Ports" relating to Ministry of Finance (Dept. of Revenue-CBEC);
- (ix) Ninety-eighth Report on Action Taken by the Government on the Observations/Recommendations of the Committee contained in their Sixty-second Report (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) on “Ratna and R-series Hydrocarbon Fields”;
- (x) Ninety-ninth Report on Action Taken by the Government on the Observations/Recommendations contained in the Sixty-ninth

Report (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) on "Sub-urban Train Services in Indian Railways";

- (xi) Hundredth Report on Action Taken by the Government on the Observations/Recommendations contained in the Seventieth Report (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) on "Commercial Publicity in Indian Railways";
- (xii) Hundred-and-first Report on Action Taken by the Government on the Observations/Recommendations contained in the Sixty-fourth Report (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) on "Shared Mobile Infrastructure Scheme"; and
- (xiii) Hundred-and-second Report on Action Taken by the Government on the Observations/Recommendations contained in the Twenty-fifth Report (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) on "Disaster Preparedness in India".

11-02 a.m.

### **3. Resignation by Members**

The Chairman made the following announcement in the House:—

“I have to inform Members, that I had received letters, dated the 23<sup>rd</sup> of March, 2018 and the 27<sup>th</sup> of March, 2018, from Shri C.M. Ramesh, Shri Dharmendra Pradhan and Shri Prakash Javadekar, Members, representing the States of Telengana, Bihar and Madhya Pradesh, respectively resigning their seats in the Rajya Sabha. I had accepted their resignations with effect from the 27<sup>th</sup> of March, 2018.”

11-03 a.m.

### **4. Farewell to the retiring Members**

The Chairman bid farewell to 60 Members including 4 Nominated Members of the Rajya Sabha representing the States of Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Haryana, Jharkhand, Himachal Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Rajasthan, Telangana, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand and West Bengal, who will be retiring in the months of April, May, June and July, 2018 on completion of their term of office.

The Deputy Chairman and the Prime Minister associated with the sentiments expressed by the Chairman.

The following Members spoke on the occasion:—

1. Shri Ghulam Nabi Azad, *Leader of the Opposition*
2. Prof. Ram Gopal Yadav
3. Shri A. Navaneethakrishnan
4. Shri Derek O' Brien
5. Shri A.U. Singh Deo
6. Shri Harivansh
7. Shri T.K. Rangarajan
8. Shri Y.S. Chowdary
9. Shri Satish Chandra Misra
10. Shri Praful Patel
11. Shrimati Kanimozhi
12. Shri Sanjay Raut
13. Sardar Sukhdev Singh Dhindsa
14. Dr. K. Keshava Rao
15. Ms. Anu Aga
16. Shri Nazir Ahmed Laway
17. Shri K. Parasaran
18. Shri A.V. Swamy
19. Shri Naresh Agrawal
20. Shri Satyavrat Chaturvedi
21. Shri Shankarbhai N. Vegad
22. Shri Joy Abraham
23. Shri Tapan Kumar Sen
24. Shri Pramod Tiwari
25. Shri Meghraj Jain
26. Shri Rajeev Shukla
27. Shri Vivek Gupta
28. Shri Kiranmay Nanda
29. Shri Ananda Bhaskar Rapolu
30. Shri Basawaraj Patil
31. Shri La. Ganesan
32. Shri Narendra Budania
33. Shri Ajay Sancheti
34. Shri Rangasayee Ramakrishna
35. Shrimati Renuka Chowdhury
36. Shrimati Rajani Patil
37. Shri Alok Tiwari
38. Shri Kunal Kumar Ghosh
39. Dr. Bhushan Lal Jangde

40. Shri D.P. Tripathi
41. Shri K. Rahman Khan
42. Shri Shadi Lal Batra

Shri Arun Jaitley, Minister of Finance and Minister of Corporate Affairs and Leader of the House, also associated himself with the sentiments expressed by the Chairman and other Members.

### 5. Starred Questions

Answers to Starred Question Nos. 346 to 360 were laid on the Table.

Answers to Starred Question Nos. 331 to 345 put down in the List of Questions for oral answers for March 27, 2018, were laid on the Table.

### 6. Unstarred Questions

Answers to Unstarred Questions Nos. 3681 to 3701 and 3703 to 3840 were laid on the Table.

Answers to Unstarred Question Nos. 3521 to 3680 put down in the List of Questions for written answers for March 27, 2018, were also laid on the Table.

2-40 p.m.

*The House adjourned and re-assembled at 3-40 p.m.*

*(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. Shri Mohd. Ali Khan
2. Dr. K.V.P. Ramachandra Rao
3. Shri Husain Dalwai
4. Dr. T. Subbarami Reddy
5. Kumari Selja
6. Shrimati Rajani Patil
7. Shri Pramod Tiwari
8. Shrimati Ranee Narah
9. Shri Shamsher Singh Dullo
10. Shrimati Chhaya Verma

11. *Shrimati Viplove Thakur*
12. *Shri A. Naveneethakrishnan*
13. *Shri S.R. Balasubramoniyam*
14. *Shri K.R. Arjunan*
15. *Shri A.K. Selvaraj*
16. *Shrimati Thota Seetharama Lakshmi*

<sup>c</sup>3-50 p.m.

The House adjourned till 11-00 a.m. on Monday, the 2<sup>nd</sup> April, 2018.

DESH DEEPAK VERMA,  
*Secretary-General*

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<sup>c</sup> From 3-40 p.m. to 3-50 p.m., some points were raised.