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Brief Record of the Proceedings of the Meeting of the Rajya Sabha held on the 30th July, 2018

11-00 a.m.

1. Obituary Reference

The Chairman made a reference to the passing away of Shri N. Thangaraj Pandian (ex-Member).

The House observed silence, all Members standing, as a mark of respect to the memory of the departed.

11-02 a.m.

2. 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:—

(a) Fortieth Annual Report and Accounts of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands Forest and Plantation Development Corporation Limited (ANIFPDCL), Port Blair, 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 Corporation.

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

2. A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Notification No. S.O. 3243 (E), dated the 4th July, 2018, amending Notification No. S.O. 2311 (E), dated the 4th July, 2016 to omit/substitute certain entries in the original Notification, under Section 26 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

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

- (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Indian Institute of Forest Management (IIFM), Bhopal, 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.

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

- (i) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS), 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 Sangathan.
- (c) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (i) (a) above.
- (ii) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Satyajit Ray Film and Television Institute (SRFTI), 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.

5. A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Annual Report on the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), New Delhi, for the year 2017-18.

6. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Mines, under sub-section (1) of Section 28 of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957:—

- (1) G.S.R. 255 (E), dated the 21st March, 2018, reserving the area of 697.979 hectares for undertaking prospecting or mining

operations in respect of bauxite deposits through M/s National Aluminium Company Limited in the Taluk of Pottangi of Koraput District in the State of Odisha till 26th April, 2022 in supersession of notification number G.S.R. 411 (E), dated the 27th April, 2017.

- (2) G.S.R. 289 (E), dated the 27th March, 2018, publishing the Mineral Conservation and Development (Amendment) Rules, 2018.
- (3) G.S.R. 389 (E), dated the 23rd April, 2018, notifying the Odisha Mineral Exploration Corporation Limited for the purposes of the second proviso to sub-section (1) of Section 4 of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957.

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

- (i) Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of India (Ministry of Mines) and the National Aluminium Company Limited (NALCO), for the year 2018-19.
- (ii) Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of India (Ministry of Mines) and the Mineral Exploration Corporation Limited (MECL), for the year 2018-19.
- (iii) Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of India (Ministry of Mines) and the Hindustan Copper Limited (HCL), for the year 2018-19.

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

- (a) Annual Report of the Polavaram Project Authority, Hyderabad, for the year 2016-17.
- (b) Review by Government on the working of the above Authority.
- (c) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the paper mentioned at (a) above.

9. A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Shipping, Notification No. G.S.R. 601 (E), dated the 29th June, 2018, publishing the Admiralty (Assessors) Rules, 2018, under sub-section (4) of Section 16 of the Admiralty (Jurisdiction and Settlement of Maritime Claims) Act, 2017.

10. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, under Section 10 of the National Highways Act, 1956:—

- (1) S.O. 3594 (E), dated the 15th November, 2017, declaring new National Highway No. 383 and inserting its description in the Schedule of the Act.
- (2) S.O. 3718 (E), dated the 23rd November, 2017, declaring new National Highway No. 709B and inserting its description in the Schedule of the Act.
- (3) S.O. 3807 (E), dated the 5th December, 2017, declaring certain new National Highways as specified therein and inserting their description in the Schedule of the Act.
- (4) S.O. 3808 (E), dated the 5th December, 2017, amending Notification No. S.O. 689 (E), dated the 4th April, 2011, to substitute certain entries in the original Notification.
- (5) S.O. 3866 (E), dated the 12th December, 2017, amending Notification No. S.O. 1096 (E), dated the 4th August, 2005, to substitute certain entries in the original Notification.
- (6) S.O. 3867 (E), dated the 12th December, 2017, regarding entrustment of Srirampur – Dhubri – Phulbari – Tura Section of National Highway No. 127B in the State of Assam/Meghalaya to the National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited for development and maintenance.
- (7) S.O. 3927 (E), dated the 19th December, 2017, amending Notification No. S.O. 1096 (E), dated the 4th August, 2005, to substitute certain entries in the original Notification.
- (8) S.O. 4043 (E), dated the 26th December, 2017, declaring new National Highway No. 751 and inserting its description in the Schedule of the Act.
- (9) S.O. 4007 (E), dated the 22nd December, 2017, declaring certain new National Highways as specified therein and inserting their description in the Schedule of the Act.

- (10) S.O. 4008 (E), dated the 22nd December, 2017, amending Notification No. S.O. 689 (E), dated the 4th April, 2011, to substitute certain entries in the original Notification.
- (11) S.O. 06 (E), dated the 2nd January, 2018, declaring new National Highway Nos. 744A and 948A and inserting their description in the Schedule of the Act.
- (12) S.O. 88 (E), dated the 5th January, 2018, declaring new National Highway No. 703B and inserting its description in the Schedule of the Act.
- (13) S.O. 541 (E), dated the 6th February, 2018, declaring certain new National Highways as specified therein and inserting their description in the Schedule of the Act.
- (14) S.O. 542 (E), dated the 6th February, 2018, amending Notification No. S.O. 689 (E), dated the 4th April, 2011, to substitute certain entries in the original Notification.
- (15) S.O. 812 (E), dated the 27th February, 2018, amending Notification No. S.O. 689 (E), dated the 4th April, 2011, to omit certain entries in the original Notification.
- (16) S.O. 813 (E), dated the 27th February, 2018, amending Notification No. S.O. 689 (E), dated the 4th April, 2011, to substitute certain entries in the original Notification.
- (17) S.O. 814 (E), dated the 27th February, 2018, amending Notification No. S.O. 689 (E), dated the 4th April, 2011, to substitute certain entries in the original Notification.
- (18) S.O. 896 (E), dated the 1st March, 2018, declaring certain new National Highways as specified therein and inserting their description in the Schedule of the Act.
- (19) S.O. 897 (E), dated the 1st March, 2018, amending Notification No. S.O. 689 (E), dated the 4th April, 2011, to substitute certain entries in the original Notification.

11. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, under Section 37 of the National Highways Authority of India Act, 1988:—

- (1) S.O. 3926 (E), dated the 19th December, 2017, regarding entrustment of stretch from K.M. 95.100 to K.M. 82.000 (Katka more – Sultanpur Section) of National Highway No. 96 (new NH No. 330) in the State of Uttar Pradesh to the National Highways Authority of India.
- (2) S.O. 547 (E), dated the 7th February, 2018, regarding entrustment of the entire stretch of National Highway No. 316A in the State of West Bengal to the National Highways Authority of India.
- (3) S.O. 646 (E), dated the 13th February, 2018, regarding entrustment of certain stretches of National Highway Nos. 147E and 135BD in the State of Madhya Pradesh to the National Highways Authority of India.
- (4) S.O. 647 (E), dated the 13th February, 2018, regarding entrustment of the entire stretches of National Highway Nos. 135BB and 135BG in the State of Madhya Pradesh to the National Highways Authority of India.

12.(1) A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers, under sub-section (3) of Section 32 and sub-section (4) of Section 33 of the Indian Maritime University Act, 2008:—

- (a) Annual Report of the Indian Maritime University (IMU), Chennai, for the year 2016-17.
- (b) Annual Accounts of the Indian Maritime University (IMU), Chennai, for the year 2016-17, and the Audit Report thereon.
- (c) Review by Government on the working of the above University.

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

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

- (i) Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of India (Department of Defence Production, Ministry of Defence) and the Bharat Dynamics Limited (BDL), for the year 2018-19.

- (ii) Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of India (Department of Defence Production, Ministry of Defence) and the Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers Limited (GRSE), for the year 2018-19.
- (iii) Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of India (Department of Defence Production, Ministry of Defence) and the BEML Limited, for the year 2018-19.
- (iv) Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of India (Department of Defence Production, Ministry of Defence) and the Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL), for the year 2018-19.

14. 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 2014-15, and the Audit Report thereon.
- (b) Review by Government on the working of the above Mission.
- (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 2015-16, and the Audit Report thereon.
- (b) Review by Government on the working of the above Mission.
- (c) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (ii) (a) above.
- (iii) First Annual Report of the National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG), New Delhi, for the year 2016-17 (01.04.2016 to 31.10.2017).

11-04 a.m.

3. Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings

Shri Naresh Gujral laid on the Table, a copy (in English and Hindi) of the Twenty-third Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings on the Action Taken by the Government on the Observations/Recommendations contained in the Eighteenth Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings (2017-18).

11-05 a.m.

4. Statements by Ministers

1. Col. Rajyavardhan Singh Rathore, Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports and the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, laid on the Table, a statement (in English and Hindi) regarding Status of implementation of recommendations/observations contained in the Forty-fifth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Information Technology on Demands for Grants (2018-19), pertaining to the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.

2. Shri Ram Kripal Yadav, Minister of State in the Ministry of Rural Development, laid on the Table, a statement (in English and Hindi) regarding Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Twenty-eighth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Rural Development on Demands for Grants (2016-17), pertaining to the Department of Rural Development.

3. Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal, Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs and the Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation, laid on the Table, a statement (in English and Hindi) regarding Status of implementation of recommendations/observations contained in the Twentieth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Water Resources on Demands for Grants (2018-19), pertaining to the Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation.

4. Dr. Subhash Ramrao Bhamre, Minister of State in the Ministry of Defence, laid on the Table, a statement (in English and Hindi) regarding Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Twenty-first Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Defence on Demands for Grants (2016-17) (Miscellaneous Demand No. 20), pertaining to the Ministry of Defence.

11-06 a.m.

5. Statement regarding Government Business

Shri Vijay Goel, Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs and Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, made a statement regarding Government Business for the week commencing Monday, the 30th of July, 2018.

◊ 11-11 a.m.

The House adjourned and re-assembled at 12-00 Noon.

◊ 12-01 p.m.

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

6. Starred Questions

Answers to Starred Questions Nos.121 to 135 were laid on the Table.

Answers to Starred Question Nos. 106 to 120 put down in the List of Questions for oral answers for July 27, 2018, were also laid on the Table.

7. Unstarred Questions

Answers to Unstarred Question Nos. 1281 to 1440 were laid on the Table.

Answers to Unstarred Question Nos. 1121 to 1280 put down in the List of Questions for written answers for July 27, 2018, were also laid on the Table.

◊ 2-01 p.m.

The House adjourned and re-assembled at 2-11 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, shouted slogans and persistently and willfully obstructed the proceedings of the House, the Chair repeatedly adjourned the House:—

1. Ms. Dola Sen
2. Shri Md. Nadimul Haque
3. Shri Ahamed Hassan
4. Shrimati Shanta Chhetri
5. Shri Manas Ranjan Bhunia
6. Prof. Jogen Chowdhury

◊ From 11-09 a.m. to 11-11 a.m., some points were raised.

◊ From 12-00 Noon to 12-01 p.m., some points were raised.

◊ From 2-00 p.m. to 2-01 p.m., some points were raised.

^{si}2-13 p.m.

The House adjourned till 11-00 a.m. on Tuesday, the 31st July, 2018.

DESH DEEPAK VERMA,
Secretary-General

^{si} From 2-11 p.m. to 2-13 p.m., some points were raised.