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**Brief Record of the Proceedings of the Meeting of the Rajya Sabha held on
the 20th December, 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, under sub-section (1) (b) of Section 394 of the Companies Act, 2013:—

- (a) Fifty-first Annual Report and Accounts of the Uranium Corporation of India Limited (UCIL), Singhbhum, Jharkhand, for the year 2017-18, 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. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers:—

- (i) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Institute for Plasma Research (IPR), Gandhinagar, for the year 2017-18, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.
- (b) Review by Government on the working of the above Institute.
- (ii) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Homi Bhabha National Institute, Mumbai, for the year 2017-18, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.

- (b) Review by Government on the working of the above Institute.
- (iii) (a) Annual Report of the National Centre for Good Governance (NCGG), New Delhi, for the year 2017-18.
- (b) Annual Accounts of the National Centre for Good Governance (NCGG), New Delhi, for the year 2017-18, and the Audit Report thereon.
- (c) Summary of the Annual Report of the above Centre, for the year 2017-18.
- (iv) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Indian Institute of Space Science and Technology, (IIST), Thiruvananthapuram, for the year 2017-18, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.
- (b) Statement by Government accepting the above Report.
- (v) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Semi-Conductor Laboratory (SCL), SAS Nagar, Chandigarh, for the year 2017-18, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.
- (b) Statement by Government accepting the above Report.

3. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, under Section 102 of the Metro Railways (Operation and Maintenance) Act, 2002:-

- (1) G.S.R. 837 (E), dated the 6th September, 2018, publishing the Metro Railway (Carriage and Ticket) Amendment Rules, 2018.
- (2) G.S.R. 838 (E), dated the 6th September, 2018, publishing the Bangalore Metro Railway (Carriage and Ticket) Amendment Rules, 2018.
- (3) G.S.R. 839 (E), dated the 6th September, 2018, publishing the Chennai Metro Railway (Carriage and Ticket) Amendment Rules, 2018.

4. A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Notification No. S.O. 5384 (E), dated the 24th October, 2018, publishing the Land Pooling Regulations, 2018, under Section 58 of the Delhi Development Act, 1957.

5. A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of India (Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment) and the National Safai Karamcharis Finance and Development Corporation (NSKFDC), for the year 2018-19.

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

- (i) (a) Annual Report of the Indian Council of World Affairs (ICWA), New Delhi, for the year 2017-18.
- (b) Annual Accounts of the Indian Council of World Affairs (ICWA), New Delhi, for the year 2017-18, and the Audit Report thereon.
- (c) Statement by Government accepting the above Report.
- (d) Statement by Government on the Annual Accounts and the Audit Report of the above Council.
- (ii) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS), New Delhi, for the year 2017-18, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.
- (b) Review by Government on the working of the above Organization.

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

- (i) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Ramakrishna Mission Blind Boys' Academy, Narendrapur, Kolkata, West Bengal, for the year 2011-12, 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 Siri Institute for Mentally Handicapped, Samalkot, Andhra Pradesh, for the year 2010-11, 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 Society of Khrist Jyoti, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh, for the year 2014-15, 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 (iii) (a) above.
- (iv) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Society of Khrist Jyoti, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh, 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 (iv) (a) above.
- (v) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Kachajuli Physically Handicapped (Deaf and Dumb) School & Training Centre, Lakhimpur, Assam, for the year 2011-12, 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 (v) (a) above.
- (vi) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Shri Hanuman Prasad Poddar Andh Vidhyalaya, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh, for the year 2011-12, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.
 - (b) Review by Government on the working of the above Vidyalaya.
 - (c) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (vi) (a) above.
- (vii) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Sisu Sakha Sangha, Khordha, Odisha, for the year 2010-11, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.
 - (b) Review by Government on the working of the above Sangha.
 - (c) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (vii) (a) above.
- (viii) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Ramakrishna Mission Blind Boys' Academy, Narendrapur, Kolkata, for the year 2010-11, 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 (viii) (a) above.
- (ix) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Narayan Seva Sansthan, Udaipur, Rajasthan, for the year 2017-18, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.
- (b) Review by Government on the working of the above Sansthan.

8. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Human Resource Development (Department of Higher Education), under Section 28 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956:-

- (1) F. No. 1-19/2017(CPP-II), dated the 20th August, 2018, publishing the University Grants Commission (Recognition and Monitoring of Assessment & Accreditation Agencies) Regulations, 2018.
- (2) F. No. 2-4/2018 (DEB-I), dated the 6th September, 2018, publishing the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Third Amendment Regulations, 2018.

9. A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Human Resource Development (Department of Higher Education) Notification F. No. 006/Admn./1(1)/2014/7765, dated the 26th July, 2018, publishing the Mahatma Gandhi Antarrashtriya Hindi Vishwavidyalaya (Amendment) Statutes, 2018, under sub-section (2) of Section 44 of the Mahatma Gandhi Antarrashtriya Hindi Vishwavidyalaya Act, 1996.

10. A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Human Resource Development (Department of Higher Education) Notification F. No. 34-36/RIFD/FDP through MOCCs/2017-18 dated the 16th August, 2018, publishing the "All India Council for Technical Education Regulations, 2018 (Career Advancement Scheme) (Degree/Diploma)", under Section 24 of the All India Council for Technical Education Act, 1987.

11. (1) A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers, under sub-section (4) of Section 28 and sub-section (5) of Section 23 of the Indian Institute of Management Act, 2017:—

- (i) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Ranchi, Jharkhand, 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.
- (ii) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Kashipur, Uttarakhand, 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.
- (iii) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Sirmaur, Himachal Pradesh, 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.
- (iv) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Indore, Madhya Pradesh, 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.
- (v) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Nagpur, Maharashtra, 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.
- (vi) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Nagpur, Maharashtra, 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.
- (2) Statements (in English and Hindi) giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (1) above.

11-02 a.m.

2. Message from Lok Sabha — Reported and Government Bill Laid on the Table

I. Secretary-General reported to the House, a message from Lok Sabha informing Rajya Sabha that the Lok Sabha at its sitting held on the 19th December, 2018, passed the Surrogacy (Regulation) Bill, 2018.

II. A copy of the Surrogacy (Regulation) Bill, 2018, as passed by Lok Sabha, was laid on the Table.

11-03 a.m.

3. Reports of the Committee on Public Undertakings

Shri Naresh Gujral laid on the Table, a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Reports of the Committee on Public Undertakings:—

- (i) Twenty-fourth Report on 'Review of Loss Making CPSUs'; and
- (ii) Twenty-fifth Report on action taken by the Government on the Observations/Recommendations contained in the Nineteenth Report (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) of the Committee on Public Undertakings (2017-18) on "National Highways Authority of India Limited (NHAI)."

4. Statements of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Coal and Steel

Shri Samir Oraon laid on the Table, a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Statements showing Action Taken by the Government in respect of observations/recommendations contained in Chapters I and V of Reports of the Committee on Coal and Steel:—

- (i) Forty-third Report (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) of the Committee on Coal and Steel on action taken by the Government on the Recommendations contained in Thirty-seventh Report (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) on "Physical and Financial Performance of Steel Authority of India Ltd. and MECON Ltd." relating to the Ministry of Steel;
- (ii) Forty-fourth Report (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) of the Committee on Coal and Steel on action taken by the Government on the Recommendations contained in Thirty-eighth Report (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) on "Demands for Grants (2018-19)" relating to the Ministry of Steel; and
- (iii) Forty-fifth Report (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) of the Committee on Coal and Steel on action taken by the Government on the Recommendations contained in Thirty-ninth Report (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) on "Demands for Grants (2018-19)" relating to the Ministry of Mines.

5. Statement of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes

Shri Shamsher Singh Dullo laid on the Table, a copy (in English and Hindi) of the final action taken statement of the Government on the recommendations contained in Chapter I of the Nineteenth Report (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes regarding action taken by the Government on the Seventh Report (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) on “Reservation for and Employment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Central Board of Excise and Customs (CBEC)”.

6. Statements of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment

Shrimati Sarojini Hembram laid on the Table, a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following statements of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment:—

- (i) Statement showing final action taken by the Government on the Observations/Recommendations contained in the Thirty-fifth Report (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) of the Committee (2016-17) on action taken by the Government on the Observations/Recommendations contained in Twenty-seventh Report of the Committee on 'Demands for Grants (2016-17)' of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (Department of Social Justice and Empowerment);
- (ii) Statement showing final action taken by the Government on the Observations/Recommendations contained in the Forty-fourth Report (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) of the Committee (2016-17) on action taken by the Government on the Observations/Recommendations contained in Thirty-sixth Report of the Committee on 'Demands for Grants (2017-18)' of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (Department of Social Justice and Empowerment);
- (iii) Statement showing final action taken by the Government on the Observations/Recommendations contained in the Forty-fifth Report (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) of the Committee

- (2016-17) on action taken by the Government on the Observations/Recommendations contained in Thirty-seventh Report of the Committee on 'Demands for Grants (2017-18)' of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities);
- (iv) Statement showing final action taken by the Government on the Observations/Recommendations contained in the Fifty-fifth Report (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) of the Committee (2017-18) on action taken by the Government on the Observations/Recommendations contained in the Forty-eighth Report of the Committee on "Implementation of Scheme of Assistance to Disabled Persons for Purchase/Fitting of Aids/Appliances (ADIP)" of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities);
- (v) Statement showing final action taken by the Government on the Observations/Recommendations contained in the Fifty-eighth Report (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) of the Committee (2017-18) on action taken by the Government on the Observations/Recommendations contained in the Fifty-first Report of the Committee on 'Demands for Grants (2018-19)' of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities);
- (vi) Statement showing final action taken by the Government on the Observations/Recommendations contained in the Forty-sixth Report (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) of the Committee (2016-17) on action taken by the Government on the Observations/Recommendations contained in Thirty-eighth Report of the Committee on 'Demands for Grants (2017-18)' of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs;
- (vii) Statement showing final action taken by the Government on the Observations/Recommendations contained in the Fifty-sixth Report (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) of the Committee (2017-18) on action taken by the Government on the Observations/Recommendations contained in the Forty-ninth Report of the Committee on 'Educational Schemes for Tribals' of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs;

- (viii) Statement showing final action taken by the Government on the Observations/Recommendations contained in the Forty-seventh action taken Report (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) of the Committee (2016-17) on the Observations/ Recommendations contained in the Thirty-ninth Report on 'Demands for Grants (2017-18)' of the Ministry of Minority Affairs; and
- (ix) Statement showing final action taken by the Government on the Observations/Recommendations contained in the Sixtieth action taken Report (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) of the Committee (2017-18) on the Observations/Recommendations contained in the Fifty-third Report on 'Demands for Grants (2018-19)' of the Ministry of Minority Affairs.

11-05 a.m.

7. Leave of Absence

Shri Ahamed Hassan (West Bengal) was granted leave of absence from the sittings of the House, from the 11th of December, 2018 to the 8th of January, 2019, during the current (247th) Session.

11-06 a.m.

8. Statements by Minister

Dr. Jitendra Singh, Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region and Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, Department of Atomic Energy and Department of Space, laid on the Table, the following statements (in English and Hindi) regarding:—

- (i) Status of implementation of recommendations/observations contained in the Two Hundred and Seventh Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Home Affairs on the Action taken by the Government on the recommendations/observations contained in the Two Hundred and Second Report of the Committee on Demands for Grants (2017-18) pertaining to the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region.
- (ii) Status of implementation of recommendations/observations contained in the Three Hundred and Seventh Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on

Science and Technology, Environment and Forests on the Action taken by the Government on the recommendations/observations contained in the Two Hundred Ninety-ninth Report of the Committee on Demands for Grants (2017-18) pertaining to the Department of Atomic Energy.

- (iii) Status of implementation of recommendations/observations contained in the Three Hundred and Fourteenth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests on the Action taken by the Government on Demands for Grants (2018-19) pertaining to the Department of Atomic Energy.

11-07 a.m.

9. **Observation by the Chair**

The Chairman made the following observation:—

"Hon'ble Members on 18th December, 2018, when the House reassembled after lunch, Shri Anand Sharma while raising a point of order under Rule 238 submitted that on checking the records, he found that, that morning while Leader of the Opposition was speaking about the privilege notices, the Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs referred to Shri Rahul Gandhi who is the Congress President but a Member of the Lok Sabha and asked him to apologise.

Yesterday *i.e.*, 19th December, 2018, when the House met, Shri Vijay Goel, Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs while pointing out to allegation made by Shri Anand Sharma submitted that he had nowhere referred to Shri Rahul Gandhi in his submissions made in the House on 18th December, 2018 and Shri Anand Sharma had misled the House. He demanded that Shri Anand Sharma should withdraw his words and those words should be removed from the official records of the Rajya Sabha. I had then said that I will go through records.

I have carefully gone through the debates of the Rajya Sabha of 18th December, 2018 and found that nowhere Shri Vijay Goel, Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs in his submission referred to Shri Rahul Gandhi. Therefore, the averments made by Shri Vijay Goel are correct."

10. Starred Questions

Answers to Starred Question Nos. 91 to 105 put down in the List of Questions for oral answers for December 19, 2018, were laid on the Table.

11. Unstarred Questions

Answers to Unstarred Question Nos. 961 to 1120 put down in the List of Questions for written answers for December 19, 2018, were also laid on the Table.

(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 A. Navaneethakrishnan
2. Shri S. R. Balasubramoniyam
3. Shrimati Vijila Sathyananth
4. Shri S. Muthukaruppan
5. Shri T. Rathinavel
6. Dr. V. Maitreyan
7. Shri K.R. Arjunan
8. Shri N. Gokulakrishnan
9. Shri A. Vijayakumar
10. Mir. Mohammad Fayaz
11. Shri Nazir Ahmed Laway
12. Shri V. Vijayasai Reddy
13. Shri Prabhakar Reddy Vemireddy
14. Shri A.K. Selvaraj
15. Shri Tiruchi Siva
16. Shri R. Vaithilingam
17. Dr. R. Lakshmanan

[^]11-11 a.m.

The House adjourned till 11-00 a.m. on Friday, the 21st December, 2018.

DESH DEEPAK VERMA,
Secretary-General

[^] From 11-09 a.m. to 11-11 a.m., some points were raised.