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PK-SCH/1A/12.35

**The House met at thirty-five minutes past twelve of the clock,
MR. CHAIRMAN in the Chair**

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(The National Anthem, '*Jana Gana Mana*', was played)

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MEMBERS SWORN

Shri Hardeep Singh Puri (Uttar Pradesh)

Shri Narain Dass Gupta (NCT of Delhi)

Shri Sushil Kumar Gupta (NCT of Delhi)

Shri Sanjay Singh (NCT of Delhi)

(Ends)

(Followed by PB/1B)

PB-RPM/1B/12.40

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS LAID ON TABLE

SECRETARY-GENERAL: Sir, I lay on the Table, a copy (in English and Hindi) of the President's Address to both the Houses of Parliament assembled together on the 29th January, 2018.

(Ends)

OBITUARY REFERENCES

MR. CHAIRMAN: Hon. Members, I refer with profound sorrow to the passing away of Shri Mohinder Singh Kalyan and Shri Khagen Das, former Members of this House.

Shri Mohinder Singh Kalyan passed away on the 18th of November, 2017, at the age of 85 years.

Born in January, 1932, at Village Burj Hakima in Ludhiana District of Punjab, Shri Mohinder Singh was a journalist by profession. He was the owner and Editor of the newspaper 'Punjabi Rattan' and also served as the Chairman of the Punjab Small and Medium Newspapers Association.

Shri Mohinder Singh was actively associated with several technical, educational, social, financial and medical institutions in various capacities. He also served as the President of the Khet Mazdoor Union, Punjab; Vice-President of the Rashtriya Dalit Mazdoor Sangh and as the Director of the Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation.

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Shri Mohinder Singh Kalyan represented the State of Punjab in this House from July, 1992 to July, 1998.

In the passing away of Shri Mohinder Singh Kalyan, the country has lost an able parliamentarian and a dedicated social worker.

Shri Khagen Das passed away on the 21st of January, 2018, at the age of 81 years.

Born in September, 1937, at Durgapur Village in Commilla District (now in Bangladesh), Shri Das was educated at the S.N. College, Kolkata and the Calcutta University.

A social worker, Shri Das strived for the upliftment of the tribals and the downtrodden and backward communities as well as for the welfare of farmers. He also organised literacy movements and relief measures during natural calamities.

Shri Das commenced his legislative career as a Member of the Tripura Legislative Assembly in 1978 and was its Member till 1988. He served as the Cabinet Minister for Revenue, Health, Statistics, Printing and Stationery Department in the Government of Tripura from 1983 to

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1988. He was also the Member of the Tripura State Planning Board and Chairman of the Tripura Industrial Development Corporation.

Shri Khagen Das represented the State of Tripura in this House from April, 1998 to February, 2002. He was the Chairman of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture from June, 2001 to February, 2002. He was also a Member of the Thirteenth, Fourteenth and Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

In the passing away of Shri Khagen Das, the country has lost a distinguished parliamentarian, an able administrator and a dedicated social worker.

We deeply mourn the passing away of Shri Mohinder Singh Kalyan and Shri Khagen Das.

I request the Members to rise in their places and observe silence as a mark of respect to the memory of the departed.

(Hon. Members then stood in silence for one minute)

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MR. CHAIRMAN: Secretary-General will convey to the members of the bereaved families our sense of profound sorrow and deep sympathy.

(Ends)

(Followed by 1c/SKC)

SKC-PSV/1C/12.45

**REFERENCES TO VICTIMS OF HELICOPTER CRASH AND FIRE AT
FIRECRACKER UNIT IN BAWANA INDUSTRIAL AREA**

MR. CHAIRMAN: Hon. Members, as you might be aware, five ONGC personnel and two pilots were reportedly killed when the *Pawan Hans* helicopter carrying them crashed off the Mumbai Coast on the 13th of January, 2018.

Hon. Members, in another tragic incident, 17 persons including ten women reportedly lost their lives and two others were injured in a massive fire which broke out in a firecracker unit in Bawana industrial area of Delhi, on the 19th January, 2018.

The loss of precious lives in these tragic incidents is, indeed, painful and unfortunate.

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The House joins me in expressing our heartfelt condolences and sympathy to the bereaved families.

I request Members to rise in their places and observe silence as a mark of respect to the memory of those who lost their lives in these tragedies.

(Hon. Members then stood in silence for one minute)

(Ends)

FELICITATIONS TO SPORTSPERSONS

श्री सभापति: माननीय सदस्यगण, मैं समस्त सभा तथा स्वयं अपनी ओर से तुर्की में फेडरेशन इन्टरनेशनल डे स्की द्वारा आयोजित एल्पाइन एज़्डेर 3200 कप, अंतर्राष्ट्रीय स्कीइंग प्रतियोगिता में 9 जनवरी, 2018 को कुमारी आंचल ठाकुर द्वारा भारत के लिए पहली बार अंतर्राष्ट्रीय कांस्य पदक जीतने पर उन्हें बधाई देता हूँ। कुमारी आंचल ठाकुर जी की जीत इसलिए भी अधिक महत्वपूर्ण है, क्योंकि यह नये खेलों में भारत के प्रवेश की परिचायक भी है।

माननीय सदस्यगण, मैं समस्त सभा तथा स्वयं अपनी ओर से 19 जनवरी, 2018 को शारजाह, यूएई में भारतीय दृष्टिबाधित क्रिकेट टीम द्वारा 5वाँ एक दिवसीय अंतर्राष्ट्रीय दृष्टिबाधित क्रिकेट विश्व कप खिताब जीतने पर उन्हें भी बधाई देता हूँ। उनकी जीत अशक्तताओं और सीमाओं को लांघकर संकल्प शक्ति और साहस का यशगान है।

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अपनी उपलब्धियों के द्वारा, इन खिलाड़ियों ने हमारे देश को गौरवान्वित किया है। मुझे विश्वास है कि वे हमारे लाखों उदीयमान खिलाड़ियों के लिए अपने-अपने खेल क्षेत्रों में उत्कृष्टता हासिल करने के लिए प्रेरणा स्रोत साबित होंगे। हम कुमारी आंचल ठाकुर और भारतीय दृष्टिबाधित क्रिकेट टीम के लिए भविष्य में उनके सभी प्रयासों में सफलता की कामना करते हैं और आशा करते हैं कि वे भविष्य में भी और भी अधिक उपलब्धियों को हासिल करके अपने देश का गौरव बढ़ाते रहेंगे।

(समाप्त)

**FELICITATIONS TO SCIENTISTS, ENGINEERS AND TECHNICIANS
OF I.S.R.O. AND D.R.D.O.**

MR. CHAIRMAN: Hon'ble Members, the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) successfully launched its 100th Satellite, a Cartosat-2 series weather observation satellite, along with 30 co-passenger satellites *including 28* belonging to 6 countries, *namely*, Canada, Finland, France, Korea, the United Kingdom and the United States, using its Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV-C40), from the Satish Dhawan Space Centre at Sriharikota in Andhra Pradesh on the 12th of January, 2018, and thereby setting a

milestone in Indian space history.

On the 18th of January, 2018, the Defence Research Development Organisation (DRDO) successfully tested the Agni-V inter-continental ballistic missile, reaffirming India's indigenous missile capabilities and further strengthening its credible deterrence.

The credit for these landmark achievements go to our scientific community working with I.S.R.O. and D.R.D.O..

On behalf of the House and on my own behalf, I congratulate the scientists, engineers and technicians of ISRO and DRDO, who were associated with these projects and do hope that they will continue to scale greater heights and make the country proud of their achievements. We wish them all success for their future endeavours.

(Ends)

(FOLLOWED BY HK/1D)

HK/1D/12.50

PAPER LAID ON TABLE

SHRI ARUN JAITLEY: Sir, I lay on the Table, a copy (in English and Hindi) of the Economic Survey, 2017-18 (Volume I and Volume II).

(Ends)

MR. CHAIRMAN: The House stands adjourned till 1330 hours on Thursday, the 1st February, 2018.

The House then adjourned at fifty-one minutes past twelve of the clock till thirty minutes past one of the clock on Thursday, the 1st February, 2018.