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RAJYA SABHA**



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BY THE RAJYA SABHA**

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**BRIEF RESUME' OF THE BUSINESS TRANSACTED
BY THE RAJYA SABHA DURING ITS TWO HUNDRED AND
TWENTY FIFTH SESSION
(12-3-2012 to 30-3-2012 and 24-4-2012 to 22-5-2012)**

SUMMONS

Summons for the Two Hundred and Twenty Fifth Session of the Rajya Sabha was issued to the Members on the 16th February, 2012.

DURATION OF THE SESSION

The Two Hundred and Twenty Fifth Session of the Rajya Sabha commenced on the 12th March, 2012. The sitting of the House fixed for 23rd March, 2012 was cancelled, on a suggestion made by the Minister of Parliamentary Affairs in the House on 21st March, 2012 and agreed to by the House. The House was adjourned for three weeks on the 30th March, 2012 to enable the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committees to examine and report on the Demands for Grants of various Ministries/Departments and re-assembled on the 24th April, 2012. The House also had a Special Sitting on Sunday, the 13th May, 2012 to commemorate the 60th Anniversary of the First Sitting of Parliament. The House was adjourned *sine die* on the 22nd May, 2012. The House sat for 35 days and the actual hours of sittings were 164 hours and 12 minutes (excluding recess intervals). The House was prorogued by the President on the 28th May, 2012.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

On the 12th March, 2012, National Anthem was played.

(Time taken: 01 Minute)

**PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS TO BOTH HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT LAID
ON THE TABLE**

The President, Shrimati Pratibha Devi Singh Patil, addressed Members of both Houses of Parliament assembled together in the Central Hall on the 12th March, 2012. Secretary-General laid on the Table, a copy (in English and Hindi) of the President's Address on the 12th March, 2012.

(Time taken: 01 Minute)

OATH OR AFFIRMATION

The following Members made and subscribed oath/affirmation and took their seats in the House as detailed below:—

Sl. No.	Date	Name of the Member	Time Taken	
SIKKIM				
1.	12-03-2012	Shri Hishey Lachungpa	0-03	
GUJARAT				
2.	24-04-2012	Shri Arun Jaitley, <i>Leader of the Opposition</i>	}	
ANDHRA PRADESH				
3.	-do-	Shrimati Renuka Chowdhury		
4.	-do-	Shri Chiranjeevi Konidala		
5.	-do-	Shri C.M. Ramesh		
6.	-do-	Shri Ananda Bhaskar Rapolu		
BIHAR				
7.	24-04-2012	Shri Ali Anwar Ansari		
8.	-do-	Dr. Mahendra Prasad		
9.	-do-	Shri Dharmendra Pradhan		

10. 24-04-2012 Shri Ravi Shankar Prasad
11. -do- Prof. Anil Kumar Sahani
12. -do- Shri Bashistha Narain Singh
CHHATTISGARH
13. -do- Dr. Bhushan Lal Jangde
GUJARAT
14. -do- Shri Mansukh L. Mandaviya
15. -do- Shri Praveen Rashtrapal
16. -do- Shri Shankarbhai N. Vegad
HARYANA
17. -do- Shri Shadi Lal Batra
HIMACHAL PRADESH
18. -do- Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda
KARNATAKA
19. -do- Shri Rajeev Chandrasekhar
20. -do- Shri K. Rahman Khan

21. 24-04-2012 Shri Basawaraj Patil
22. -do- Shri Rangasayee Ramakrishna

MADHYA PRADESH

23. -do- Shri Satyavrat Chaturvedi
24. -do- Shri Thaawar Chand Gehlot
25. -do- Dr. Najma A. Heptulla
26. -do- Shri Faggan Singh Kulaste
27. -do- Shri Kaptan Singh Solanki

MAHARASHTRA

28. -do- Shrimati Vandana Chavan
29. -do- Shri Anil Desai
30. -do- Shri Vilasrao Dagadojirao Deshmukh
31. -do- Shri Ajay Sancheti
32. -do- Shri Rajeev Shukla
33. -do- Shri D.P. Tripathi

ODISHA

34. 24-04-2012 Shri Rabinarayan Mohapatra
35. -do- Shri A.V. Swamy
36. -do- Shri Dilip Kumar Tirkey

RAJASTHAN

37. -do- Shri Narendra Budania
38. -do- Shri Bhupender Yadav

UTTARAKHAND

39. -do- Shri Mahendra Singh Mahra

UTTAR PRADESH

40. -do- Shri Naresh Agrawal
41. -do- Shri Munquad Ali
42. -do- Shri Arvind Kumar Singh
43. -do- Shrimati Jaya Bachchan
44. -do- Shri Vinay Katiyar

45.	24-04-2012	Shri Rasheed Masood	}	0-50		
46.	-do-	Km. Mayawati				
47.	-do-	Shri Kiranmay Nanda				
48.	-do-	Chaudhary Munabbar Saleem				
49.	-do-	Shri B.B. Tiwari				
50.	-do-	Shri Darshan Singh Yadav				
WEST BENGAL						
51.	-do-	Shri Tapan Kumar Sen	}			
ANDHRA PRADESH						
52.	25-04-2012	Shri Devender Goud T.	}	0-05		
53.	-do-	Shri Palvai Govardhan Reddy				
WEST BENGAL						
54.	-do-	Shri Kunal Kumar Ghosh				
55.	-do-	Shri Vivek Gupta				
56.	-do-	Shri Md. Nadimul Haque				
57.	25-04-2012	Shri Mukul Roy	}			

JHARKHAND

58.	08-05-2012	Dr. Pradeep Kumar Balmuchu	0-01
59.	09-05-2012	Shri Sanjiv Kumar	0-01

NOMINATED

60.	13-05-2012	Ms. Anu Aga	0-02
61.	15-05-2012	Ms. Rekha	0-01

Total: 1-01

OBITUARY REFERENCES

Obituary References were made in the House during the Session as detailed below: —

Sl. No	Date of Obituary Reference	Person in respect of whom Reference was made	Date of passing away	<u>Time taken</u> Hrs. Mts.	Remarks
1.	12-03-2012	Shri Rameshwar Singh, ex-Member	15-01-2012	0-09	The Chairman made reference and the House observed silence, all Members standing as a mark of respect to the memory of the departed.
2.	-do-	Shri Kartar Singh Duggal, ex-Member	26-01-2012		
3.	-do-	Shri Ashwani Kumar, ex-Member	04-02-2012		
4.	-do-	Shri Bibudhendra Mishra, ex-Member	15-02-2012		
5.	24-04-2012	Shri N.K.P. Salve, ex-Member	01-04-2012	0-05	-do-
6.	25-04-2012	Shri B.B. Tiwari, sitting Member	25-04-2012	0-03	The Chairman made reference and the House observed silence, all Members standing as a mark of respect to the memory of the departed. As a mark of respect to the memory of Shri B.B. Tiwari, a sitting Member, the House adjourned for the day.

7.	04-05-2012	Dr. Mahabir Prasad, ex-Member	16-02-2012	0-04	The Chairman made reference and the House observed silence, all Members standing as a mark of respect to the memory of the departed.
8.	08-05-2012	Shri Patitpaban Pradhan, ex-Member	06-05-2012	0-03	-do-
			Total:	0-24	

REFERENCES BY THE CHAIR

Sl. No	Date of Reference	Incident	Date of the Incident	Time taken Hrs. Mts.	Remarks
1.	12-03-2012	Reference to the Victims of Earthquake in Philippines	06-02-2012	0-02	The House observed silence, all Members standing, as a mark of respect to the memory of those who lost their lives in the tragedies.
2.	-do-	Reference to the Victims of two Avalanches in Jammu & Kashmir	22-02-2012 23-02-2012		
3.	22-03-2012	Reference on the occasion of International World Water Day	22-03-2012	0-01	—
4.	28-03-2012	Reference to Victims of Maoist attack in Gadchiroli district of Maharashtra	27-03-2012	0-02	The House observed silence, all Members standing, as a mark of respect to the memory of those who lost their lives in the tragic incident.
5.	24-04-2012	Reference to the successful test firing of the surface-to-surface Inter-Continental Ballistic Missile AGNI-V	19-04-2012	0-02	—

6.	24-04-2012	Reference to the National Panchayati Raj Diwas	-	0-01	—
7.	02-05-2012	Reference to Victims of Ferry Accident in Assam	30-04-2012	0-02	The House observed silence, all Members standing, as a mark of respect to the memory of those who lost their lives in the tragedy.
8.	08-05-2012	Reference on the occasion of the 150 th Birth Anniversary of Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore	-	1-04	After Reference by the Chair, Shri Pranab Mukherjee, Minister of Finance and 14 Members including the Leader of the Opposition, Leaders of various parties/groups and some other Members spoke on the occasion.

9.	16-05-2012	Reference to Victims of Plane Crash at an airport in Nepal	14-05-2012	0-01	The House observed silence, all Members standing, as a mark of respect to the memory of those who lost their lives in the tragedy.
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Total: 1-15

INTRODUCTION OF MINISTER BY THE PRIME MINISTER

On 20th March, 2012, Dr. Manmohan Singh, Prime Minister, introduced one Cabinet Minister to the House.

(Time taken: 01 Minute)

QUESTIONS

660 Starred Questions were put down in the List of Questions for oral answers, out of which 103 Questions were orally answered and answers to the remaining ones were laid on the Table of the House.

(Total Time taken: 17 Hrs. & 17 Mts.)

5115 Unstarred Questions were put down in the List of Questions and written answers in respect thereof were laid on the Table of the House.

SHORT NOTICE QUESTIONS

Date	Short Notice Question No.	Subject	Ministry/ Department	Remarks	<u>Time Taken</u> Hrs. Mts.
22-03-12	1	Electricity generated by NPCIL	Atomic Energy	Orally answered	0-16
29-03-12	2	Details of uranium projects	Atomic Energy	Laid	-
30-03-12	3	Rail projects in Andhra Pradesh	Railways	Orally answered	0-05
04-05-12	4	Drought in Andhra Pradesh	Agriculture	Orally answered	0-15
09-05-12	5	Negotiations with Maoists involved in abductions	Home Affairs	Orally answered	0-15

Date	Short Notice Question No.	Subject	Ministry/ Department	Remarks	Time Taken Hrs. Mts.
11-05-12	6	Food parks	Food Processing Industries	Laid	-
14-05-12	7	Diversion of funds collected for rain water harvesting	Water Resources	Orally answered	0-07
16-05-12	8	Myanmarese refugees in India	Home Affairs	Orally answered	0-12
17-05-12	9	Need for airport in Raxaul in Bihar	Civil Aviation	Orally answered	0-09
18-05-12	10	Supply of chemical fertilizers to Gujarat	Chemicals and Fertilizers	Orally answered	0-20
21-05-12	11	Teachers for specially enabled children	Human Resource Development	Orally answered	0-10
22-05-12	12	Kerosene quota for Kerala	Petroleum and Natural Gas	Orally answered	0-14
				Total Time	2-03

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS CORRECTING ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Statements correcting answers to questions as detailed below were laid during the Session: —

Sl. No.	Date	Subject	Ministry/ Department	Name of the Minister	<u>Time taken</u> Hrs.Mts.
1.	19-03-2012	Correcting the answer to Unstarred Question No.846 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 8 th August, 2011, regarding “SC/ST representation in the Ministry”.	Minority Affairs	Shri Salman Khursheed	0-01
2.	20-03-2012	Correcting the answer to Unstarred Question No.3016 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 20 th December, 2011, regarding “Sale of Iodised Salt in the Market”.	Health and Family Welfare	Shri Sudip Bandyopadhyay	0-01
3.	26-03-2012	Correcting the answer to Unstarred Question No. 516 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 19 th March, 2012, regarding “Airing of Illegal Channels”.	Information and Broadcasting	Shri Choudhury Mohan Jatua	0-01
4.	26-04-2012	Correcting the answer to Unstarred Question No.419 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 15 th March, 2012, regarding “Integrated Shipyards-cum-Ports”.	Shipping	Shri G.K. Vasani	0-01

5.	07-05-2012	Correcting the answer to Unstarred Question No.563 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 19 th March, 2012, regarding "Progress of RGGVY in Odisha".	Power	Shri K.C. Venugopal	0-01	
6.	08-05-2012	Correcting the reply to Stared Question No. 16 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 13 th March, 2012, regarding "Irregularities in MGNREGS".	Rural Development	Shri Pradeep Jain	0-01	
7.	09-05-2012	Correcting the answer to Unstarred Question No.2825 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 2 nd May, 2012, regarding "Purchase of MIG aircrafts".	Defence	Shri A.K. Antony	0-01	15

Total : **0-07**

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

2051 Papers were laid on the Table during the Session. Some of the important papers that were laid are detailed below: —

Sl. No.	Date	Subject
1.	13-03-2012	State of Indian Agriculture, 2011-12.
2.	15-03-2012	Economic Survey, 2011-12.
3.	-do-	Explanatory Memorandum as to Action Taken Note on the recommendations of the Thirteenth Finance Commission on Debt Relief to States in respect of National Small Savings Fund (NSSF) Loans.
4.	16-03-2012	*The Macro-Economic Framework Statement; the Medium-term Fiscal Policy Statement and the Fiscal Policy Strategy Statement.
5.	20-03-2012	Report on Trend and Progress of Housing in India, June, 2011.
6.	22-03-2012	Fifty-first Annual Report of the Public Enterprises Survey (Volumes I and II), for the year 2010-11.
7.	-do-	Tenth Annual Report and Accounts of the National Scheduled Tribes Finance and Development Corporation (NSTFDC), New Delhi, for the year 2010-11, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts and the comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India thereon.
8.	26-03-2012	Annual Report of the National Commission for Minorities, New Delhi, for the year 2009-10.

* Laid along with the Budget (General), 2012-13. For further details, please see Sl. No. 2 under the heading "BUDGETS – LAID ON THE TABLE".

Sl. No.	Date	Subject
9.	30-03-2012	Annual Report and Annual Accounts of the University Grants Commission (UGC), New Delhi, for the year 2010-11.
10.	-do-	Annual Report on the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (NREGA), 2005, for the year 2010-11.
11.	30-03-2012	C.A.G. Report for the year ended March, 2011: No.28 of 2011-12: Union Government – Department of Revenue (Indirect Taxes – Central Excise – Compliance Audit).
12.	-do-	C.A.G. Report for the year ended March, 2011: No.29 of 2011-12: Union Government – Department of Revenue (Indirect Taxes – Service Tax – Compliance Audit).
13.	24-04-2012	C.A.G. Report (No.1 of 2011-12): Accounts of Union Government: Union Government Finance Accounts and Appropriation Accounts (Civil, Postal Services, Defence Services) for the year ended 2010-11.
14.	-do-	C.A.G. Report (No.27 of 2011-12): Union Government – Department of Revenue (Direct Taxes).
15.	27-04-2012	Annual Report and Annual Accounts of the National Commission for Minority Educational Institutions (NCMEI), New Delhi, for the year 2010-11.
16.	-do-	Memorandum of Action Taken on the Recommendations of the above Commission in its Annual Report, for the year 2010-11.
17.	30-04-2012	First Interim Report of the Justice M.B. Shah Commission of Inquiry for Illegal Mining of Iron Ore and Manganese and Memorandum of Action taken on the said Report.
18.	04-05-2012	C.A.G. Report No.31 of 2011-12: Union Government – Department of Revenue-Customs.

Sl. No.	Date	Subject
19.	08-05-2012	C.A.G. Report No. 33 of 2011-12: Union Government (Civil) – Autonomous Bodies
20.	10-05-2012	Annual Report on the Protection of Civil Rights Act, 1955, for the year 2009.
21.	10-05-2012	Annual Report on the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989, for the year 2009.
22.	-do-	C.A.G. Report No.2 of 2011-12: General Purpose Financial Reports of Central Public Sector Enterprises (Compliance Audit) and No.30 of 2011-12 performance Audit on Revival of Sick Central Public Sector Enterprises for the year ended 31 st March, 2011
23.	14-05-2012	Two Hundred and Thirty-seventh Report of the Law Commission of India on Compounding of (IPC) Offences.
24.	-do-	Two Hundred and Thirty-eighth Report of the Law Commission of India on Amendment of Section 89 of the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908 and Allied Provisions.
25.	15-05-2012	Annual Report and Accounts of the Jansankhya Sthirata Kosh (National Population Stabilisation Fund), New Delhi, for the year 2010-11, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.
26.	-do-	C.A.G. Report for the year ended March, 2012: No.4 of 2012-13: Union Government – Department of Space – on hybrid satellite digital multimedia broadcasting service agreement with Devas
27.	-do-	C.A.G. Report for the year ended March, 2011: No.32 of 2011-12 and No. 3 of 2012-13 - Railways Finances: Union Government (Railways) and Appropriation Accounts of Railways – Parts – I and II including Annexure – G, for the year 2010-11.

Sl. No.	Date	Subject
28.	17-05-2012	Annual Report and Accounts of the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR), New Delhi, for the year 2010-11, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.
29.	18-05-2012	Report on the Progress made in the intake of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes against vacancies reserved for them in Recruitment and Promotion Categories on the Railways, for the year ending 31 st March, 2011.
30.	21-05-2012	Statement on Quarterly Review of the trends in receipts and expenditure in relation to the Budget, at the end of the third quarter of financial year 2011-12.
31.	-do-	White Paper on Black Money.
32.	22-05-2012	Annual Report of National Statistical Commission (NSC), New Delhi, for the year 2010-11 and Action Taken Report on the recommendations contained in the said Report.

(Total Time taken: 36 Mts.)

**REPORTS/STATEMENTS OF THE COMMITTEES
PRESENTED/LAID ON THE TABLE**

The following Reports/Statements of various Committees were presented/laid on the Table: —

Date	Report/Statement
<i>Committee on Human Resource Development</i>	
13-03-2012	241 st Report and Evidence
26-04-2012	242 nd Report and Evidence
03-05-2012	243 rd to 245 th Reports
09-05-2012	246 th Report
<i>Committee on Finance</i>	
13-03-2012	49 th Report
21-03-2012	50 th Report
24-04-2012	51 st to 55 th Reports
09-05-2012	56 th Report
<i>Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture</i>	
15-03-2012	173 rd Report
27-04-2012	174 th Report
07-05-2012	175 th to 178 th Reports
21-05-2012	179 th and 180 th Reports
<i>Committee on Chemicals and Fertilizers</i>	
15-03-2012	21 st to 24 th Reports and Action Taken Statements
02-05-2012	25 th to 27 th Reports
<i>Committee on Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes</i>	
15-03-2012	19 th Report
27-04-2012	20 th Report

Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice

20-03-2012 49th Report
 29-03-2012 50th Report
 21-05-2012 51st and 52nd Reports

Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests

21-03-2012 221st Report
 18-05-2012 222nd to 228th Reports

Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment

21-03-2012 19th to 22nd Reports
 29-03-2012 23rd Report
 02-05-2012 24th to 26th Reports
 09-05-2012 27th Report
 15-05-2012 Action Taken Statement

Committee on Rural Development

22-03-2012 23rd to 26th Reports
 02-05-2012 27th and 28th Reports
 03-05-2012 29th and 30th Reports
 17-05-2012 31st Report
 22-05-2012 Action Taken Statements

Committee on Defence

26-03-2012 14th Report
 30-04-2012 15th Report

Committee on Industry

27-03-2012 227th to 229th Reports
 28-03-2012 230th to 232nd Reports
 26-04-2012 233rd Report
 04-05-2012 234th and 235th Reports

Committee on Agriculture

27-03-2012 29th and 30th Reports
 29-03-2012 28th and 31st Reports
 26-04-2012 32nd and 33rd Reports
 30-04-2012 34th and 35th Reports
 10-05-2012 Action Taken Statements
 22-05-2012 36th Report

Committee on Information Technology

27-03-2012 29th and 30th Reports
 02-05-2012 31st to 34th Reports

Committee on Labour

27-03-2012 24th to 27th Reports

Committee on Water Resources

27-03-2012 11th and 12th Reports
 03-05-2012 13th and 14th Reports

Committee on Public Accounts

27-03-2012 Action Taken Statements
 30-03-2012 52nd to 55th Reports
 27-04-2012 56th to 59th Reports

Committee on Home Affairs

28-03-2012 157th to 160th Reports
 30-04-2012 161st Report
 07-05-2012 162nd Report

Committee on Food, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution

28-03-2012 16th Report
 03-05-2012 17th and 18th Reports
 16-05-2012 19th Report
 18-05-2012 20th and 21st Reports
 22-05-2012 Action Taken Statements

Committee on Urban Development

28-03-2012 16th and 17th Reports
 26-04-2012 18th and 19th Reports
 14-05-2012 20th Report

Committee on External Affairs

29-03-2012 11th Report
 24-04-2012 12th Report
 08-05-2012 13th and 14th Reports

Committee on Health and Family Welfare

26-04-2012 54th to 57th Reports
 08-05-2012 58th and 59th Reports

Committee on Coal and Steel

26-04-2012 20th to 24th Reports
 08-05-2012 25th and 26th Reports and Action Taken Statements

Committee on Railways

26-04-2012 13th and 14th Reports
 21-05-2012 15th and 16th Reports and Action Taken Statement

Committee on Petroleum and Natural Gas

27-04-2012 11th Report
 22-05-2012 12th Report

Committee on Public Undertakings

27-04-2012 14th and 15th Reports

Committee on Commerce

30-04-2012 100th and 101st Reports

*Committee on Energy*03-05-2012 26th to 28th Reports*Committee on Labour*03-05-2012 28th to 30th Reports*Committee on Subordinate Legislation*17-05-2012 197th Report*Committee on Empowerment of Women*18-05-2012 14th and 15th Reports and Action Taken Statement*Railway Convention Committee*18-05-2012 3rd Report*(Total time taken: 57 Mts.)***REPORT ON INDIAN PARLIAMENTARY PARTICIPATION AT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE**

On the 16th May, 2012, Secretary-General laid on the Table, a copy (in English and Hindi) of the Report on the participation of the Indian Parliamentary Delegation at the 57th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference held in London (UK), from 21st to 28th July, 2011.

*(Time taken: 01 Minute)***PETITION PRAYING FOR EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONCEPT OF NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION (NCR) TO CONTROL BOTH LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE IN NCR SO AS TO AVOID ANY HAPHAZARD DEVELOPMENT OF THE REGION**

On the 29th March, 2012, Secretary-General reported to the House, the receipt of a petition signed by Dr. Ajay Kumar Mishra, a resident of Delhi, praying for effective implementation of the concept of National Capital Region (NCR) to control both land use and development of infrastructure in NCR so as to avoid any haphazard development of the Region.

(Time taken: 01 Minute)

PETITION PRAYING FOR PREVENTION OF ADULTERATION OF FOOD ITEMS AND TO ENSURE CONSUMPTION OF SAFE FOOD IN THE COUNTRY

On the 4th May, 2012, Secretary-General reported to the House, the receipt of a petition signed by Shri Pushkar Raj, a resident of Faridabad, Haryana, countersigned by Shri Veer Pal Singh Yadav, Ex-MP, Rajya Sabha, praying for prevention of adulteration of food items and to ensure consumption of safe food in the country.

(Time taken: 01 Minute)

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE CHAIR

(i) On the 10th May, 2012, the Vice-Chairman (Prof. P. J. Kurien) made the following announcement:—

“I have to inform Members, that there will be a Special Sitting of Rajya Sabha on Sunday, the 13th May, 2012 to commemorate the 60th Anniversary of the first sitting of Parliament of India. The House will meet at 11.00 A.M. and there will be no Question Hour on that day.

The Special Sitting of the House will devote itself to the theme — **"Sixty years journey of the Indian Parliament"**.

(ii) On the 11th May, 2012, the Chairman made the following announcement:—

“I have to inform Members that in the special sitting of Rajya Sabha, which is to be held on Sunday, the 13th of May, 2012 to commemorate the Sixtieth anniversary of the first sitting of Parliament, the House will meet at 11.00 a.m. to discuss the theme **“Sixty years’ journey of the Indian Parliament”**.

The total time available for discussion is five hours. This time will be allotted to each political party broadly on *pro rata* basis, except Indian National Congress and Bharatiya Janata Party, which have been allotted lesser time. At the same time, in case of other political parties, each speaker will get at least five minutes’ time to speak. The dispensation of five minutes applies to Nominated and independent Members too. Apart from the Leader of the House and the Leader of

Opposition, one Member from each political party, i.e., either the leader or a person nominated by her/him, will speak. Former Deputy Chairpersons of Rajya Sabha will also speak. A special speaker on this occasion will be Shri Rishang Keishing, who was a Member of the First Lok Sabha.”

(iii) On the 13th May, 2012, the Vice-Chairman (Dr. E. M. Sudarsana Natchiappan) made the following announcement:—

“Hon’ble Members, I wish to inform you that on the occasion of the Sixtieth Anniversary of the first sitting of Parliament, you are requested to send your articles to the Secretary-General on the theme “Sixty Years’ Journey of the Indian Parliament”. The article should not exceed the length of 1200 words and it may be written either in English or in Hindi. The articles may please be sent by the 22nd of May, 2012.

Members are also requested to record their messages in about sixty words on the theme “Sixty Years’ Journey of the Indian Parliament” in the Registers kept in the inner Lobby for the purpose.

These articles and messages would be edited and published separately in a book form which would be published as a special volume being brought out on the occasion of the Sixtieth Anniversary of the first sitting of Parliament.”

(Total time taken: 3 Mts.)

INFORMATION TO THE HOUSE

(1) *On the 8th May, 2012, Shri Rajeev Shukla, Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs, informed the House on the issue of the alleged role of Minister of Home Affairs, in the Aircel-Maxis deal, as reported by some newspapers and media.

(2) On the 16th and 22nd May, 2012, Shri Vayalar Ravi, Minister of Overseas Indian Affairs, informed the House about the conditions of Indian workers in Angola.

(Total time taken: 9 Mts.)

* For further details, see item at Sl.No. I (8) under the heading ‘STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS’

FAREWELL TO RETIRING MEMBERS

On 21st March, 2012, the Chairman bade farewell to the Members of the Rajya Sabha, whose term of office would expire in the month of April, 2012.

Shri Arun Jaitley, Leader of the Opposition; Shri K. Rahman Khan, Deputy Chairman; Leaders of Parties/Groups and some retiring Members spoke on the occasion.

Dr. Manmohan Singh, Prime Minister and Leader of the House also associated with the sentiments expressed by the Chairman and others.

(Time taken: 2 Hrs. & 59 Mts.)

GOOD WISHES TO THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN

On the 30th March, 2012, the Deputy Chairman (Shri K. Rahman Khan) informed the House that on expiration of his term of office w.e.f. 2nd April, 2012, he would be relinquishing the Office of the Deputy Chairman and thanked the Members for their co-operation during his tenure as Deputy Chairman. Thereafter, some Members offered good wishes.

(Time taken: 26 Mts.)

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

On the 24th April, 2012, the Chairman welcomed the newly elected and re-elected Members.

(Time taken: 01 Minute)

ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING THE LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION

On the 24th April, 2012, the Chairman made the following announcement:—

“I have to inform Members, that consequent upon his re-election to the Rajya Sabha with effect from the 3rd April, 2012, I have accorded recognition to Shri Arun Jaitley, Member and Leader of the Bharatiya Janata Party in the Rajya Sabha, as the Leader of the Opposition in Rajya Sabha with effect from the 3rd April, 2012.”

(Time taken: 01 Minute)

PANEL OF VICE-CHAIRMEN

On the 24th April, 2012, the Chairman announced that the Panel of Vice-Chairmen has been re-constituted w.e.f. 19th April, 2012 with the following Members:—

1. Prof. P.J. Kurien;
2. Dr. E.M. Sudarsana Natchiappan;
3. Shri Shanta Kumar;
4. Shri Prasanta Chatterjee;
5. Shri Tariq Anwar; and
6. Dr. Mahendra Prasad.

RESIGNATION BY MEMBERS

(1) On 12th March, 2012, the Chairman made the following announcement in the House:—

“I have to inform Members that I had received a letter from Shri Rasheed Masood, Member, representing the State of Uttar Pradesh, resigning his seat in the Rajya Sabha. I have accepted his resignation with effect from 9th of March, 2012.”

(2) On 13th March, 2012, the Deputy Chairman made the following announcement in the House:—

“I have to inform Members that the Chairman had received a letter from Shri Naresh Chandra Agrawal, Member, representing the State of Uttar Pradesh, resigning his seat in the Rajya Sabha. The Chairman has accepted his resignation with effect from 12th of March, 2012.”

(3) On 22nd March, 2012, the Deputy Chairman made the following announcement in the House:—

“I have to inform Members that the Chairman had received a letter from Shri Kalraj Mishra, Member, representing the State of Uttar Pradesh, resigning his seat in the Rajya Sabha. The Chairman has accepted his resignation with effect from 21st of March, 2012.”

(Total time taken: 3 Mts.)

CANCELLATION OF SITTING OF RAJYA SABHA

On 21st March, 2012, on a suggestion made by Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal, Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Minister of Water Resources and agreed to by the House, the sitting of the Rajya Sabha scheduled for Friday, the 23rd March, 2012, was cancelled.

(Time taken: 01 Minute)

SPECIAL SITTING OF RAJYA SABHA

On 13th May, 2012, the House held a Special Sitting to commemorate the occasion of the Sixtieth (60th) Anniversary of the First Sitting of the Parliament of India. A discussion on the theme "Sixty Years' Journey of the Indian Parliament" lasting more than 5 hours was held, which was initiated by the Prime Minister and Leader of the House. The Leader of the Opposition, Leaders of various parties/groups, Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs and several other Members including Shri Rishang Keishing, who was a Member of the First Lok Sabha, participated in the discussion. A Resolution moved by the Chairman, Rajya Sabha was also adopted unanimously on the said occasion. Members were also requested to submit their articles (either in English or in Hindi) on the theme "Sixty Years' Journey of the Indian Parliament" not exceeding the length of 1200 words and also to record their messages in about sixty words on the said theme in the Registers kept in the Inner Lobby, which would be edited and published separately as a Special Volume being brought out on the said occasion, through an announcement made in the House on that day.

For Reference and Record

1. A similar Special Sitting of the Lok Sabha was held on Sunday, the 13th May, 2012 in which a discussion lasting more than five hours on the said theme, which was initiated by Shri Pranab Mukherjee, Minister of Finance and Leader of the House, Lok Sabha was held, at the end of which an identical Resolution was adopted.
2. A Function was also held on Sunday, the 13th May, 2012 in the Central Hall, Parliament House at 5.30 p.m. in which the President of India addressed the Members of both the Houses and was also attended by the Vice-President of India and Chairman, Rajya Sabha, Prime Minister and Speaker, Lok Sabha. Shri Rishang Keishing, Shri Rsheshamlal Jangde and Shri Kandala Subrahmanyam, who were Members of the First Lok Sabha were felicitated on the occasion. Special Coins in the denomination of Rs. 5/- and Rs. 10/- and special publications brought out by both the Secretariats were released on the occasion.
3. A Joint Group Photograph of the Members of Rajya Sabha and Lok Sabha with the President of India, Vice-President of India and Chairman, Rajya Sabha, Prime Minister, Speaker, Lok Sabha and Council of Ministers was also taken on 16th May, 2012 to commemorate the said occasion.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

(i) On 13th March, 2012, Shri Vijay Jawaharlal Darda (Maharashtra) was granted leave of absence from the sittings of the House, from 12th to 30th March, 2012, during the 225th Session of the Rajya Sabha.

(ii) On 22nd March, 2012, Dr. Bharatkumar Raut (Maharashtra) was granted leave of absence from the sittings of the House, from 12th to 30th March, 2012, during the 225th Session of the Rajya Sabha.

(iii) On 30th March, 2012, Shri P. R. Rajan (Kerala) was granted leave of absence from the sittings of the House, from 12th to 30th March, 2012, during the 225th Session of the Rajya Sabha.

(iv) On 4th May, 2012:—

(a) Dr. Abhishek Manu Singhvi (Rajasthan) was granted leave of absence from the sittings of the House, from 24th April to 22nd May, 2012, during the 225th Session of the Rajya Sabha.

(b) Dr. T. Subbarami Reddy (Andhra Pradesh) was granted leave of absence from the sittings of the House, from 25th April to 22nd May, 2012, during the 225th Session of the Rajya Sabha.

(Time taken: 2 Mts.)

MOTIONS FOR ELECTIONS/APPOINTMENTS OF MEMBERS TO VARIOUS COMMITTEES/BODIES

Sl. No.	Date	Name of the Committee/Body	<u>Time taken</u> <u>Hrs.Mts.</u>
1.	13-03-2012	Rajghat Samadhi Committee	0-01
2.	-do-	Coconut Development Board, Kochi	0-01
3.	14-03-2012	Advisory Council of Delhi Development Authority	0-01
4.	28-03-2012	Committee on Public Accounts	0-01

5.	28-03-2012	Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes	—
6.	-do-	Committee on Public Undertakings	0-01
7.	30-03-2012	Court of the Aligarh Muslim University	0-01
8.	-do-	Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research (PGIMER), Chandigarh	0-01
9.	26-04-2012	Central Silk Board	0-01
10.	-do-	Tea Board	—
11.	-do-	Committee on Official Language	0-01
12.	30-04-2012	Joint Committee on Offices of Profit	0-01
13.	02-05-2012	Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA)	0-01
14.	11-05-2012	Indian Council of Agricultural Research Society	0-01
			Total : 0-12

MOTION FOR APPOINTMENT OF THREE MEMBERS OF RAJYA SABHA TO SERVE ON THE JOINT COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE MATTERS RELATING TO ALLOCATION AND PRICING OF TELECOM LICENCES AND SPECTRUM

On the 21st May, 2012, Shri Rajeev Shukla, Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs, moved the following Motion:—

“That this House concurs in the recommendation of Lok Sabha that Rajya Sabha do appoint three Members of Rajya Sabha to the Joint Committee to Examine Matters Relating to Allocation and Pricing of Telecom Licences and Spectrum in the vacancies caused by the retirement of Shri Ravi Shankar Prasad, Shri S.S. Ahluwalia and Shri Praveen Rashtrapal from the Rajya Sabha and communicate to

Lok Sabha the names of the Members so appointed by the Rajya Sabha to the Joint Committee and resolves that Shri Ravi Shankar Prasad, Shri Dharmendra Pradhan and Shri Praveen Rashtrapal be re-appointed/appointed to the said Joint Committee to fill the vacancies.”

The Motion was adopted.

(Time taken: 2 Mts.)

MATTERS RAISED WITH PERMISSION

I. On 14th March, 2012:—

(1) Shri Arun Jaitley, Leader of the Opposition, raised a matter regarding issues related to the Lokpal and Lokayuktas Bill, 2011.

The following Members also spoke:—

1. Shri Prasanta Chatterjee
2. Shri Shivanand Tiwari
3. Shri D. Raja
4. Prof. S. P. Singh Baghel
5. Shri Baishnab Parida
6. Shri Birendra Prasad Baishya
7. Shri Sukhendu Sekhar Roy

Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal, Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Water Resources, responded.

(2) Dr. C. P. Thakur raised a matter regarding need for establishing an Ordnance Factory in Bihar.

(3) Shri Birendra Prasad Baishya raised a matter regarding issue of China's proposal for diverting the river Brahmaputra.

(4) Shri Tarun Vijay raised a matter regarding increasing incidents of kidnapping, forced marriage and conversion of Hindu girls in Pakistan.

(5) Dr. Bhalchandra Mungekar raised a matter regarding suicide by a tribal student in AIIMS.

II. On 19th March, 2012:—

(1) Shri Tariq Anwar raised a matter regarding declining sex ratio.

Shrimati Maya Singh also spoke.

(2) Shri Avinash Rai Khanna raised a matter regarding taking away of two children out of the custody of their NRI parents in Norway.

(3) Shri Piyush Goyal raised a matter regarding decision to audit less numbers of Public Sector Bank branches from current year.

(4) Shri Ram Vilas Paswan raised a matter regarding less registration of Muslim and Dalit children in nursery classes.

(5) Shri Tarun Vijay raised a matter regarding 100th century by Sachin Tendulkar.

(6) Shri Parshottam Khodabhai Rupala raised a matter regarding International political situation arising out of alleged nuclear programme of Iran.

(7) Shri Tapan Kumar Sen raised a matter regarding reduction in the interest rate on Employees Provident Fund.

III. On 26th March, 2012:—

(1) Shri S. S. Ahluwalia raised a matter regarding Jawans deserting Central Para-Military Force.

(2) Shrimati Maya Singh raised a matter regarding intrusion by two Chinese helicopters into Indian territory.

(3) Shri Prakash Javadekar raised a matter regarding suicide by a tribal student in Andhra Pradesh for the creation of Telengana.

(4) Dr. K. Keshava Rao raised a matter regarding suicides and self immolations in Andhra Pradesh for the creation of Telengana.

IV. On 27th March, 2012:—

(1) Shri Kumar Deepak Das raised a matter regarding infiltration from Bangladesh border.

(2) Shri Avinash Rai Khanna raised a matter regarding nation-wide strike by gold and diamond traders against the taxes imposed in the Budget.

Shri Ramdas Agarwal also spoke.

(3) Shri K. N. Balagopal raised a matter regarding the effect of BT Cotton on farmers and society.

(4) Dr. Chandan Mitra raised a matter regarding status of BRT Corridor in Delhi (B. R. Ambedkar Marg).

(5) Shri Pyarimohan Mohapatra raised a matter regarding kidnapping of a BJD MLA by Maoists in Odisha.

V. On 29th March, 2012:—

(1) Shri Sukhendu Sekhar Roy raised a matter regarding excessive flow of Ganga water to a neighbouring country.

(2) Shri Rama Chandra Khuntia raised a matter regarding proposed strike by the Employees' Union in Air India.

(3) Prof. Saif-ud-Din Soz raised a matter regarding development of rail network in Kashmir.

(4) Shri Parshottam Khodabhai Rupala raised a matter regarding problems caused to cotton farmers due to the requirement of registration.

Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu also spoke.

Shri Rajeev Shukla, Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs, responded.

(5) Shri Tariq Anwar raised a matter regarding suggestions of IITs on the new format for entrance test.

(6) Shri Balbir Punj raised a matter regarding alleged excesses by the Delhi Police on various sections of people.

VI. On 30th March, 2012:—

(1) Shri D. Bandyopadhyay raised a matter regarding nation wide strike by goldsmiths.

Shri Rajeev Shukla, Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs, responded.

(2) Shri Naresh Gujral raised a matter regarding need to abolish capital punishment.

Shri S. S. Ahluwalia also spoke.

(3) Shri Prakash Javadekar raised a matter regarding alleged corruption in purchase of Tatra trucks for the Indian Army.

(4) Shrimati Jharna Das Baidya raised a matter regarding recent killing of a tribal woman in Madhya Pradesh.

VII. On the 24th April, 2012:—

(1) Shri Ram Kripal Yadav raised a matter regarding agitation by milk producing farmers.

(2) Dr. T. N. Seema raised a matter regarding advertisement of a cosmetic product allegedly demeaning and derogatory to women.

(3) Shri Prabhat Jha raised a matter regarding Pak-occupied Kashmir being taught as Azad Kashmir in the text books of some Army Public Schools of Jammu and Kashmir.

(4) Shri Balbir Punj raised a matter regarding reported statement by Additional Solicitor-General in the Supreme Court in relation to killing of two fishermen by Italian ship.

Shri Rajeev Shukla, Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs, responded.

(5) Shri D. Raja raised a matter regarding abduction of a Collector by Maoists in Chattisgarh.

Dr. V. Maitreya also spoke.

VIII. On the 26th April, 2012, Shri Arun Jaitley, Leader of the Opposition, raised a matter regarding recent disclosures in the Bofors gun case.

Shri Sitaram Yechury, Shri Mohan Singh and Shri Mani Shankar Aiyar also spoke.

IX. On the 27th April, 2012:—

(1) Shri Mohan Singh raised a matter regarding ill-treatment meted out to the body of Late Shri B. B. Tiwari by the Delhi Police and the Hospital authorities.

Shri Rajeev Shukla, Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs, responded.

(2) Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu raised a matter regarding difficulties being faced by Cotton farmers across the country due to lifting of ban on Cotton Exports.

(3) Shri Prasanta Chatterjee raised a matter regarding violation of human rights in West Bengal.

(4) Shri P. Rajeev raised a matter regarding need to review the decision of the Government to de-control diesel prices in the country.

(5) Shri K. N. Balagopal raised a matter regarding hike in user charges at New Delhi airport.

X. On the 30th April, 2012:—

(1) Km. Mayawati raised a matter regarding Supreme Court's Order dated 27.04.2012 regarding reservation in promotion for employees belonging to SC/ST community in Uttar Pradesh.

(2) Shri Thaawar Chand Gehlot raised a matter regarding wheat lying in the open in Madhya Pradesh due to lack of adequate storage facility in the State.

(3) Shri Kunal Kumar Ghosh raised a matter regarding violation of human rights and unearthing of mass graves in West Bengal.

(4) Shri Shivanand Tiwari raised a matter regarding returning of the Padma Award by Shri Giriraj Kishore in protest against the auction of Mahatma Gandhi's belongings.

(5) Shri Tarun Vijay raised a matter regarding security for Nanda Raj Jat Yatra in Uttarakhand.

(6) Shri K. N. Balagopal raised a matter regarding website problem in UGC in respect of UGC, NET examination.

(7) Shri Avinash Rai Khanna raised a matter regarding threats to *Sarpanches* and *Panches* by militants in J&K.

XI. On the 2nd May, 2012:—

(1) Shri Prakash Javadekar raised a matter regarding suicide by farmers in the Vidarbha region of Maharashtra.

(2) Shri Birendra Prasad Baishya raised a matter regarding a boat accident in the river Brahmaputra near Medartary in Dhubri district of Assam.

(3) Shri Sanjay Raut raised a matter regarding the serious drought situation in Maharashtra.

(4) Shri P. Rajeev raised a matter regarding suicide by a nursing student in Kerala due to denial of education loan.

(5) Shri Rama Chandra Khuntia raised a matter regarding serious scarcity of drinking water in some States.

(6) Shri Tariq Anwar raised a matter regarding resentment among IGNOU students due to closure of some courses.

(7) Shri Shantaram Naik raised a matter regarding National Health Crisis due to poisoning of ground water.

(8) Shri Parshottam Khodabhai Rupala raised a matter regarding alleged misuse of Government funds by CCI.

XII. On the 3rd May, 2012:—

(1) Shri Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi raised a matter regarding agony of lakhs of home buyers in Noida Extension of Uttar Pradesh due to delay in approval of Master Plan by NCR Planning Board.

(2) Shri Tapan Kumar Sen raised a matter regarding miserable plight of farmers.

XIII. On the 7th May, 2012:—

(1) Shri Naresh Agrawal raised a matter regarding release of central funds for development schemes in Uttar Pradesh.

Shri Rajeev Shukla, Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs, responded.

(2) Shri Shyamal Chakraborty raised a matter regarding need for declaring public holiday on the 8th May, 2012, on the occasion of 150th Birth Centenary of Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore.

(3) Shri Sanjay Raut raised a matter regarding need to award Bharat Ratna posthumously to Dadasaheb Phalke and issue of postal stamp to commemorate 100 years of Indian cinema.

(4) Shri Rama Chandra Khuntia raised a matter regarding need for universal old age pension.

(5) Shri Tariq Anwar raised a matter regarding unusual high number of amphibians being washed ashore on the coastline of Mumbai.

(6) Shri Rajiv Pratap Rudy raised a matter regarding decline in employment generation in the country.

XIV. On the 9th May, 2012:—

(1) Shri Tarun Vijay raised a matter regarding opposition to the construction of a dam on the North-Eastern border of Tawang by local monks and villagers.

(2) Prof. Ram Gopal Yadav raised a matter regarding implication of the reported statement of Hillary Clinton advising India to reduce import of oil from Iran.

(3) Shri Ram Kripal Yadav raised a matter regarding pathetic condition of the Mahatma Gandhi Setu on the River Ganga in Patna.

(4) Shri Rama Chandra Khuntia raised a matter regarding cancellation of Air India international flights.

(5) Shri Tapan Kumar Sen raised a matter regarding retrenchment/eviction from work of the contract workers in the Central Public Sector steel plant.

(6) Shri D. Raja raised a matter regarding *dharna* by unorganized workers at Jantar Mantar.

(7) Dr. Bharatkumar Raut raised a matter regarding Central Funds to Maharashtra to tackle acute drought.

XV. On the 10th May, 2012:—

(1) Shri Shantaram Naik raised a matter regarding objectionable comments posted on a newspaper's website about the incident of helicopter crash carrying the Chief Minister of Jharkhand.

(2) Shri Prasanta Chatterjee raised a matter regarding boycotting the London Olympics, 2012.

(3) Shri Shivanand Tiwari raised a matter regarding arrest of persons in Bihar by the Central Intelligence Agency and the police personnel of other States.

Shri Harish Rawat, Minister of State in the Ministry of Agriculture; in the Ministry of Food Processing Industries; and in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs, responded.

(4) Dr. T. N. Seema raised a matter regarding denial of admission to Soni Sori, Adivasi teacher from Chhattisgarh in AIIMS.

Shri V. Kishore Chandra Deo, Minister of Tribal Affairs and Minister of Panchayati Raj, responded.

(5) Shri Avinash Rai Khanna raised a matter regarding reduction in the period of Shri Amarnath Yatra.

Shri Harish Rawat, Minister of State in the Ministry of Agriculture; in the Ministry of Food Processing Industries; and in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs, responded.

(6) Shri Devender Goud T. raised a matter regarding reduction in Kerosene quota to Andhra Pradesh.

(7) Shri Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi raised a matter regarding overcharging by the private airlines in view of strike by Air India pilots.

Shri Harish Rawat, Minister of State in the Ministry of Agriculture; in the Ministry of Food Processing Industries; and in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs, responded.

XVI. On the 11th May, 2012, Km. Mayawati raised a matter regarding a controversy caused by a cartoon depicting Nehru and Dr. Ambedkar in NCERT text books.

Some Members also spoke.

Shri Kapil Sibal, Minister of Human Resource Development and Minister of Communications and Information Technology, responded.

XVII. On the 15th May, 2012:—

(1) Shri Shantaram Naik raised a matter regarding reported plight of the widow of a renowned AIR commentator late Shri Melville De Mellow.

(2) Shri Parshottam Khodabhai Rupala raised a matter regarding tragic condition of Indian labourers in Angola.

Shri Rajeev Shukla, Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs and Shri Vayalar Ravi, Minister of Overseas Indian Affairs, responded.

(3) Shri Kumar Deepak Das raised a matter regarding frequent tremors in North-Eastern Region of the country.

(4) Shri Ravi Shankar Prasad raised a matter regarding Kali Ma Beer being produced by a brewing company in USA.

Shri Rajeev Shukla, Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs, responded.

(5) Shri Prabhat Jha raised a matter regarding disregard and carelessness shown towards the CGHS cardholders by Private Hospitals in Delhi.

(6) Shrimati Jharna Das Baidya raised a matter regarding sexual abuse of girls at Kids' shelter.

(7) Shrimati Vasanthi Stanley raised a matter regarding sufferings of the travellers due to cancellation of Air India Flights.

(8) Dr. Bharatkumar Raut raised a matter regarding reported clash between officers and jawans of an artillery unit in Ladakh.

(9) Shri Prasanta Chatterjee raised a matter regarding issue of import of oil from Iran.

(10) Shri Balbir Punj raised a matter regarding media reports on leakage of Army Chief's letter.

XVIII. On the 16th May, 2012:—

(1) Shri Arun Jaitley raised a matter regarding reduction in the duration of the Amarnath Yatra by the J&K Government resulting in outrage amongst pilgrims across India.

(2) Shri Ali Anwar Ansari raised a matter regarding caste discrimination in AIIMS.

(3) Shri Tarun Vijay raised a matter regarding the issue of Ambassadors of European Union visiting Nagaland without permission from the Home Ministry.

(4) Shri Ram Vilas Paswan raised a matter regarding incident of throwing out of two students from a running train in Gujarat.

(5) Shrimati Kanimozhi raised a matter regarding delay in Maduravoyal-Chennai Port Elevated Expressway Project.

XIX. On the 21st May, 2012:—

(1) Shri Ali Anwar Ansari raised a matter regarding cancellation of the exhibition to be held in Patna by the Lalit Kala Academy, New Delhi.

(2) Shri D. Raja raised a matter regarding completion of three years of final phase of war in Sri Lanka and plight of Tamilians.

Dr. V. Maitreyan and Shri Tiruchi Siva also spoke.

(3) Shri Tapan Kumar Sen raised a matter regarding continuous decline in the production of natural gas from KG Basin.

(4) Shri Sabir Ali raised a matter regarding issue of fixing of IPL matches.

(5) Shri Rama Chandra Khuntia raised a matter regarding non-honoring of MPs' Identity Card at the Private Toll Gate at Faridabad and Gurgaon and by the Airport Authority, New Delhi.

(6) Shri Mani Shankar Aiyar raised a matter regarding Anti-Terrorism Day.

(7) Shri Tiruchi Siva raised a matter regarding ongoing strike of workers of NLC in Tamil Nadu.

(8) Shri N. K. Singh raised a matter regarding establishment of a Central University in Bihar.

Shri Kapil Sibal, Minister of Human Resource Development and Minister of Communications and Information Technology, responded.

(9) Shri Avinash Rai Khanna raised a matter regarding exclusion of the part of Jammu and Kashmir from the Indian map in the e-geography syllabus.

(10) Shri Ram Vilas Paswan raised a matter regarding the Report of the National Human Rights Commission on boycott of *Dalits* in 77 villages of Gujarat.

XX. On the 22nd May, 2012:—

(1) Shri Mohammed Adeeb raised a matter regarding problems in Jawaharlal Nehru Medical College at A.M.U. Aligarh.

(2) Shri Vijay Jawaharlal Darda raised a matter regarding killing of tigers in Vidarbha Region and Madhya Pradesh.

(3) Shri Ranbir Singh Parjapati raised a matter regarding rape of a *dalit* student in Bhagat Phool Singh Women's University in Haryana.

(4) Shri P. Rajeev raised a matter regarding reported remarks of Arbitration Tribunal, London questioning the sovereignty of the Indian Judicial system.

(5) Shri Basawaraj Patil raised a matter regarding rail accident of Hampi Express at Penneconda.

Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu and Shri Devender Goud T., also spoke.

(6) Shri Prasanta Chatterjee raised a matter regarding regular maintenance of airports.

(7) Shri K. N. Balagopal raised a matter regarding murder of Shri S. P. Venkatesh, a whistle blower.

(8) Shri M. P. Achuthan raised a matter regarding cancellation of Air India Express flights originating from Kerala.

Shri Rajeev Shukla, Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs, responded.

(9) Shri Prabhat Jha raised a matter regarding scarcity of water resources and depletion of the water level in the country.

(10) Shri Tariq Anwar raised a matter regarding irregularities in appointment of lecturers in the Maulana Azad Urdu University.

(Total time taken: 7 Hrs. & 26 Mts.)

SPECIAL MENTIONS

The following matters of Public Importance were raised/laid on the Table with the permission of the Chair during the Session: —

Sl. No.	Date	Name of the Member	Subject	<u>Time taken</u> Hrs.Mts.
1.	14-03-2012	Shri Dilipbhai Pandya	Need for effective implementation of the National Urban Health Mission Scheme in Gujarat.	0-03
2.	-do-	Dr. Gyan Prakash Pilania	Need for taking effective steps to remove hunger from the country.	0-02
3.	-do-	Shri Tarun Vijay	Need for declaring the Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan as an International University.	0-02
4.	-do-	Shri Sanjay Raut	Need for taking measures for revival of the Mithi river in Mumbai.	0-02
5.	-do-	Shri A. Elavarasan	Need for providing adequate power transmission lines to the State of Tamil Nadu.	0-02
6.	-do-	Shri Ambeth Rajan	Need for uniformity in using the National Emblem.	0-02
7.	-do-	Shri Prabhat Jha	Need for an effective mechanism to curb the business of spurious drugs in the country.	0-01

Sl. No.	Date	Name of the Member	Subject	<u>Time taken</u> Hrs.Mts.
8.	14-03-2012	Shri Parshottam Khodabhai Rupala	Need for making an effective policy for adoption of non-conventional resources of energy in the country.	0-01
9.	-do-	Shrimati Maya Singh	Need for expediting the implementation of the programme for connecting rivers.	0-02
10.	-do-	Shri Shreegopal Vyas	Need to ban the export of bovine meat from the country.	0-01
11.	-do-	Dr. C. P. Thakur	Concern over the problem of malnutrition in children of the country.	0-02
12.	-do-	Shri B. S. Gnanadesikan	Need for making a database of NGOs to monitor the inflow of foreign funds to protect the national interest.	0-02
13.	-do-	Shri Kaptan Singh Solanki	Need for expediting the setting up of sports infrastructure in Madhya Pradesh.	0-01
14.	-do-	Shri Kumar Deepak Das	Need for updating the National Register for Citizens before issuing Photo Identity Cards to voters in Assam.	0-02
15.	-do-	Shri N. K. Singh	Concern over the slow growth of the economy of the country.	0-03

Sl. No.	Date	Name of the Member	Subject	Time taken Hrs.Mts.
16.	26-03-2012	Dr. Gyan Prakash Pilania	Need to take preventive measures to check food adulteration in the country.	0-03
17.	-do-	Shri Dilipbhai Pandya	Need to take measures to bring back the black money hoarded in foreign countries.	0-02
18.	27-03-2012	Shri Shreegopal Vyas	Demand to make amendment in the Official Language Act to make the use of Hindi and other Indian languages mandatory in the Parliament.	0-02
* 19.	-do-	Shri Ambeth Rajan	Demand for clearing the backlog vacancies for SCs, STs and OBCs in the Central Secretariat Service.	0-02
20.	-do-	Shri Y.S. Chowdary	Demand to provide financial assistance for completion of the Krishna Water Project to solve the problem of water in Hyderabad.	
21.	-do-	Shri Rajkumar Dhoot	Demand to expedite the clearance of the proposal for changing the name of the High Court of Bombay as the High Court of Mumbai.	

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* Special Mentions from Sl. Nos. 19 to 43, 45, 51, 63 to 76, 78 to 84, 91 to 129, 134 to 140, 152 to 164, 166, 168, 172 to 183 and 186 to 204 were treated as laid on the Table of the House after taking sense of the House.

Sl. No.	Date	Name of the Member	Subject	<u>Time taken</u> Hrs.Mts.
22.	27-03-2012	Shrimati Maya Singh	Demand to make availability of all types of vaccines free of cost for newly born babies in the Government health centres.	0-02
23.	-do-	Shri K.N. Balagopal	Demand to take initiative to promote Ayurvedic medicines in sports.	
24.	-do-	Shri P. Rajeeve	Demand to give the status of classical language to Malayalam.	
25.	-do-	Shrimati T. Ratna Bai	Concern over the adverse impact of inflation in prices of food on the tribal people in Scheduled areas of the country.	
26.	-do-	Shri Prabhat Jha	Demand to take measures to solve the problem of malnutrition in children of the country.	
27.	-do-	Shri Avinash Rai Khanna	Demand to set up a regulatory mechanism for property dealers in the country.	
28.	-do-	Shri Moinul Hassan	Demand to review the policy on water to make the right to water a fundamental right.	
29.	-do-	Dr. T.N. Seema	Demand to make effective procedure for speedy trial and administration of justice in the cases of rape.	

Sl. No.	Date	Name of the Member	Subject	<u>Time taken</u> Hrs.Mts.
30.	27-03-2012	Shri Birendra Prasad Baishya	Demand to declare 'Tea' the National Drink of the country.	0-02
31.	-do-	Shri Parshottam Khodabhai Rupala	Demand to make provisions of death penalty to the guilty for rape of minor girls by amending the rules.	
32.	-do-	Shrimati Vasanthi Stanley	Concern over the alarming increase of under nourished population in the country.	
33.	-do-	Shri H.K. Dua	Concern over the international activities to exploit natural resources in the Arctic Ocean.	
34.	-do-	Shri Shantaram Naik	Demand to amend the Right to Education Act, 2009 to address the objections being raised by the minority educational institutions.	
35.	-do-	Dr. Prabha Thakur	Demand to give option for children to get education in English medium in Government Schools.	
36.	-do-	Shri Sanjay Raut	Demand to create a separate Cell for clearing certain pending Bills passed by the Maharashtra State Legislature.	
37.	-do-	Shri Tiruchi Siva	Demand to take steps to improve the quality of ground water in the country.	

Sl. No.	Date	Name of the Member	Subject	Time taken Hrs.Mts.
38.	27-03-2012	Shri Avtar Singh Karimpuri	Demand to take steps to remove the problems being faced by <i>Dalits</i> in getting caste certificates in Chandigarh.	0-01 49
39.	-do-	Shri Balwinder Singh Bhunder	Demand to make a policy to ensure the benefits due to the dependents of the defence services personnel.	
40.	-do-	Shri Prasanta Chatterjee	Concern over the reported presence of American Special Forces in the country.	
41.	-do-	Shri S. Thangavelu	Demand to expedite the process of inter-linking of rivers in the country.	
42.	-do-	Shri Kumar Deepak Das	Demand to take suitable measures to control the prices of building material, particularly Cement in the North-Eastern region of the country.	
43.	-do-	Shri Tarun Vijay	Demand to institute an enquiry into the irregularities in appointments of Officers for Official Languages in the Public Sector Banks.	
44.	-do-	Shri Saman Pathak	Demand to give the status of linguistic minority to the people speaking Nepali in the country.	0-02

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45.	29-03-2012	Shri Tariq Anwar	Need to increase the number of Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas in Muslim majority regions of the country.	0-01
46.	-do-	Shrimati Kanimozhi	Need to take effective steps to check the incidents of sexual abuse of children in the country.	0-01
47.	-do-	Shrimati Jharna Das Baidya	Need to take action for repatriation of refugees in Tripura to Mizoram.	0-01
48.	-do-	Shri N. Balaganga	Need to transfer the land owned by defence forces in Chennai to the State of Tamil Nadu.	0-02
49.	-do-	Prof. P. J. Kurien	Need to resolve the problems being faced by nurses and other para-medical staff in private hospitals.	0-03
50.	-do-	Shri Husain Dalwai	Need to impose ban on the sale of tobacco products at public places.	0-02
51.	-do-	Shri Parimal Nathwani	Need to allocate adequate number of civil servants in Jharkhand for effective implementation of welfare schemes.	0-01
52.	-do-	Shrimati Hema Malini	Need to formulate a policy for making parks mandatory in every residential colony in the cities.	0-02

Sl. No.	Date	Name of the Member	Subject	<u>Time taken</u> Hrs.Mts.
53.	29-03-2012	Shri A. Elavarasan	Need to take immediate action to control the multi-drug-resistant TB in the country.	0-01
54.	30-03-2012	Shrimati Bimla Kashyap Sood	Need to vacate Andel Ground in Shimla by the Army.	0-01
55.	-do-	Shri Rama Chandra Khuntia	Need to declare Odia as classical language.	0-02
56.	-do-	Shri K. N. Balagopal	Need to ensure the safety of fishermen on the Kerala coast.	0-01
57.	-do-	Shrimati Gundu Sudharani	Need to accord in-principle approval to the Sri Ram Sagar Project.	0-02
58.	-do-	Shri Balbir Punj	Concern over alleged construction of illegal guest houses around Tirupati Temple in Andhra Pradesh.	0-03
59.	-do-	Shri Narendra Kumar Kashyap	Need to provide basic passenger amenities at Railway Stations in Ghaziabad.	0-02
60.	24-04-2012	Dr. Gyan Prakash Pilania	Concern over increasing rate of infant and maternal mortality in the country.	0-02
61.	-do-	Shri Vijay Jawarharlal Darda	Need to take measures to remove the widening gap between estimated GDP and real GDP.	0-03

Sl. No.	Date	Name of the Member	Subject	<u>Time taken</u> Hrs.Mts.
62.	24-04-2012	Shri Prabhat Jha	Need to take measures to provide medicines to the common man at low prices through <i>Jan Aushadhi Kendras</i> and P.D.S.	0-02
63.	26-04-2012	Shrimati Maya Singh	Demand to take measures for adequate production of ammunition and defence equipment in the country.	0-01
64.	-do-	Shri Prasanta Chatterjee	Demand to commemorate the foundation day of the Gadar Party.	
65.	-do-	Shri Ram Kripal Yadav	Demand to expedite the process of opening a Central University in Bihar.	
66.	-do-	Shri N. Balaganga	Demand to resolve the problem of poor availability of LPG cylinders to people in Tamil Nadu.	
67.	-do-	Shri Tarun Vijay	Demand to take decisive steps to eradicate Maoist violence in the country.	
68.	-do-	Shri Rama Chandra Khuntia	Demand to reduce the rate of interest on education loan in the country.	

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69.	26-04-2012	Shri P. Rajeeve	Concern over the Government's decision to introduce Public Private Partnership (PPP) model to start the Passport Seva Kendras.	0-01
70.	-do-	Shri Shantaram Naik	Demand to issue necessary guidelines to save the employees submitting recommendatory letters from MPs from harassment.	
71.	-do-	Shri Basawaraj Patil	Demand to provide special provisions under article 371 for Hyderabad-Karnataka Region in Karnataka.	
72.	-do-	Shri K. N. Balagopal	Demand to ensure adequate central allocation of kerosene to Kerala.	
73.	27-04-2012	Shri Ram Vilas Paswan	Demand to withdraw the excise duty levied on the gold and diamond jewellery.	0-01
74.	-do-	Shri S. Thangavelu	Demand to take steps for development of agriculture sector in the country.	
75.	-do-	Shrimati Gundu Sudharani	Demand to de-notify Kawal Tiger Sanctuary in Adilabad, Andhra Pradesh.	

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76.	27-04-2012	Dr. Janardhan Waghmare	Demand to take steps to guarantee employment to the labour class in the country.	0-01
77.	-do-	Dr. Najma A. Heptulla	Demand to enhance the facilities for journalists covering the proceedings of the Parliament in the Parliament House.	0-02
78.	-do-	Shri Parshottam Khodabhai Rupala	Demand to set up a mechanism to regulate the fees charged by hospitals and dispensaries in private sector.	0-01
79.	-do-	Shri Avinash Rai Khanna	Concern over problems being faced by Hindu refugees from Pakistan in Jammu & Kashmir.	
80.	-do-	Shri Avtar Singh Karimpuri	Demand to set up an independent agency to look into the cases of missing people, specially women and children, in a time-bound manner.	
81.	-do-	Shri Shanta Kumar	Concern over the lack of adequate food-grain storage system in the country.	
82.	-do-	Shri Shyamal Chakraborty	Demand to grant citizenship to the refugees from Bangladesh in the country.	
83.	-do-	Shri Bhagat Singh Koshyari	Demand to give financial assistance for Shri Nanda Devi Rajjat Mela in Uttarakhand.	

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84.	27-04-2012	Shri Narendra Kumar Kashyap	Demand for inclusion of sixteen sub-castes in the Scheduled Castes category in Uttar Pradesh.	0-01
85.	30-04-2012	Dr. Gyan Prakash Pilania	Concern over the horrendous scenario of milk adulteration in the country.	0-03
86.	-do-	Shri Kaptan Singh Solanki	Concern over the inadequate number of teachers in the country.	0-02
87.	-do-	Shri Tapan Kumar Sen	Need to take immediate action for realization of PF dues to the workers of closed Tea Gardens in West Bengal.	0-02
88.	-do-	Dr. Ram Prakash	Need to regulate the setting up of study centers by Private Universities under UGC norms in the country.	0-01
89.	-do-	Shri Ambeth Rajan	Need to set up a meaningful mechanism to monitor implementation of the scheme for free coaching of SC/ST and OBC candidates.	0-03
90.	-do-	Shri N. K. Singh	Concern over the policy paralysis resulting in declining of investments in the country.	0-02

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91.	02-05-2012	Shri Husain Dalwai	Demand to give financial assistance to the State of Maharashtra to fight drought in the State.	} 0-04
92.	-do-	Shri Shanta Kumar	Demand to take steps to hand over the assets of the State of Himachal Pradesh divided under the State of Punjab Reorganization Act, 1966.	
93.	-do-	Shri Ram Kripal Yadav	Demand to issue a postal stamp to commemorate the birth anniversary of Dr. Sachchidanand Sinha.	
94.	-do-	Shri Tarun Vijay	Demand to take immediate action to fill up the backlog vacancies for persons with disabilities, specially the blind.	
95.	-do-	Shri Sanjay Raut	Demand to maintain financial assistance to the spinning sector under TUF Scheme during the 12 th Plan.	
96.	-do-	Shrimati Bimla Kashyap Sood	Demand to set up anti-hail guns and Radar system to protect the apple crop in Himachal Pradesh.	
97.	-do-	Shri Avinash Rai Khanna	Demand to resolve the problems arising out of impounded vehicles in police stations in the country.	

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98.	02-05-2012	Shrimati Maya Singh	Demand to take stern action against the hospitals built on Government land and not treating poor people free of cost.	0-01
99.	07-05-2012	Dr. Gyan Prakash Pilania	Demand to make an effective strategy to fight the deadly non-communicable diseases in the country.	0-04
100.	-do-	Shri Ali Anwar Ansari	Demand to make clear agenda for Rio+20 Summit to be held in Brazil.	
101.	-do-	Shri Ishwar Singh	Demand to take effective measures to make the River Ghaggar pollution free in Haryana and Punjab.	
102.	-do-	Shri Y.S. Chowdary	Demand for early completion of new broad gauge railway line from Rayadurg to Thumkur.	
103.	-do-	Shrimati Smriti Zubin Irani	Demand to give compensation to Gujarat to make up the losses incurred due to phasing out of Central Sales Tax.	
104.	-do-	Shri Mahendra Singh Mahra	Demand to restore the quota of kerosene oil for the State of Uttarakhand.	
105.	-do-	Dr. Janardhan Waghmare	Demand to prepare a comprehensive document on the cultural policy of the country.	

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106.	07-05-2012	Shrimati Vasanthi Stanley	Need for sanitary facilities in schools for girls.	} 0-01
107.	-do-	Shri Shantaram Naik	Legislation for regulation in service conditions of Government servants.	
108.	-do-	Shrimati Maya Singh	Demand to take steps to stop the practice of manual scavenging and to rehabilitate the manual scavengers in the country.	
109.	-do-	Shri Ram Kripal Yadav	Demand to give constitutional recognition to the Bhojpuri language.	
110.	09-05-2012	Shri Parshottam Khodabhai Rupala	Demand for proper implementation of guidelines for use of ground water resources in the country.	} 0-02
111.	-do-	Shri K. N. Balagopal	Demand to reinstate the facility of educational loan to management quota students in the country.	
112.	-do-	Shri Naresh Gujral	Demand to review and liberalise the policy for inter-country adoption of children by NRIs.	
113.	-do-	Shri Prasanta Chatterjee	Demand to make provisions for setting up Legislative Assembly for the Andaman & Nicobar Islands on the model of Puducherry Legislative Assembly.	

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114.	09-05-2012	Shri Baishnab Parida	Demand for central intervention to address the problems of HIV/AIDS afflicted labour force working in mills of Surat migrated from Odisha.	0-02
115.	-do-	Dr. Barun Mukherji	Demand to rename the Silchar Railway station as 'Bhasha Shaheed Station, Silchar' in Assam.	
116.	-do-	Dr. Ram Prakash	Demand to take strict action against foreign companies involved in illegal testing of medicines on the poor, <i>dalits</i> and tribals in the country.	
117.	-do-	Shri Kaptan Singh Solanki	Demand to take suitable steps to check the problem of brain drain in DRDO.	
118.	-do-	Shri Sukhendu Sekhar Roy	Recent goodwill visit of US Secretary of State to India.	
119.	-do-	Shri Rama Chandra Khuntia	Demand to take steps for prohibition of employment of children in hazardous occupations and make an effective plan for rehabilitation of child labour in the country.	
120.	-do-	Shri Sanjay Raut	Demand to give adequate compensation to the victims in a railway accident in Mumbai.	

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121.	09-05-2012	Shri S. Thangavelu	Demand to expedite the completion of pending railway projects in Southern Districts of Tamil Nadu.	} 0-02
122.	-do-	Shri Kanwar Deep Singh	Demand to formulate a concrete policy for welfare of the children of single women in the country.	
123.	-do-	Shri Palvai Govardhan Reddy	Demand to protect cotton farmers in Andhra Pradesh from the adverse impact of introduction of Bt. Cotton seeds.	
124.	-do-	Shri Narendra Kumar Kashyap	Demand to provide full quota of reservation to people belonging to SCs, STs and OBCs communities in Himachal Pradesh.	
125.	-do-	Shri Tarini Kanta Roy	Demand to resolve the issues relating to demarcation of boundary along the Indo-Bangladesh border.	
126.	-do-	Dr. Bharkumar Raut	Demand to impose ban on the use of subsidized diesel in telecommunication towers in the country.	
127.	-do-	Shri A. Elavarasan	Demand to allocate the entire power produced in the Kudankulam Nuclear Power Plant to the State of Tamil Nadu.	

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128.	09-05-2012	Shri Balwinder Singh Bhunder	Demand to give financial assistance to remove the problems being faced by the farmers in Punjab.	0-02
129.	-do-	Shri Husain Dalwai	Demand for release of adequate central assistance for post metric scholarships to the State of Maharashtra for OBC students.	
130.	-do-	Shrimati Bimla Kashyap Sood	Demand for early release of funds for maintenance of National Highways in Himachal Pradesh.	0-02
131.	-do-	Dr. K. V. P. Ramachandra Rao	Demand to review the process of simplifying the collection of biometric data for Aadhar cards.	0-02
132.	-do-	Shri Tiruchi Siva	Demand to take effective measures to tackle the problem of anaemia among children in the country.	0-02
133.	-do-	Shri Tarun Vijay	Demand to institute an inquiry into the deal for procurement of Boeings from USA.	0-02
134.	10-05-2012	Shri P. Rajeeve	Demand to set up a Mega Food Park in Kerala as proposed by the State Government.	0-01
135.	-do-	Shri Anil Madhav Dave	Concern over the misuse of a heritage site at Sultangarhi in Delhi by refugees from Myanmar.	

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136.	10-05-2012	Shri Nandi Yellaiah	Demand for early completion of the Pranhita-Chevella Lift Irrigation Project in Andhra Pradesh and declare it a national project.	0-02
137.	-do-	Shri Rajeev Chandrasekhar	Demand to take steps to stop the tax evasion by corporate entities having overseas holdings in the country.	
138.	-do-	Shri Avinash Rai Khanna	Demand to set up an AIIMS like hospital in Punjab.	
139.	-do-	Shri Natuji Halaji Thakor	Demand to take appropriate steps to ensure the use of Gujarati language for official purposes in the High Court of Gujarat.	
140.	-do-	Shri Parimal Nathwani	Concern over the poor condition of health services in the country, particularly in the State of Jharkhand.	
141.	-do-	Shri Kumar Deepak Das	Demand to check the illegal activities in Kaziranga National Park in Assam to protect the ecological balance in the Park.	0-02

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142.	14-05-2012	Dr. Ram Prakash	Need to make strict laws to maintain the permitted quantity of salts, etc., in junkfood by various food companies in the country.	0-02
143.	-do-	Shrimati Vasanthi Stanley	Need to check the crimes against mentally ill women and take steps for their rehabilitation.	0-02
144.	-do-	Shri Ram Kripal Yadav	Need to take immediate steps for teaching of Urdu language in Kendriya Vidyalayas.	0-02
145.	-do-	Shri Ram Vilas Paswan	Need to pay old age pension to men and women of 55 years and 50 years respectively and increase the amount of the pension.	0-02
146.	-do-	Shri Anil Desai	Need to take steps to protect the girl child in the country.	0-02
147.	-do-	Dr. K. P. Ramalingam	Need for an inquiry into the incident of repeated fire accidents in the Mettur Thermal Power Station in Tamil Nadu.	0-02
148.	-do-	Shri Tiruchi Siva	Need to take steps to check ill-treatment and violence against women in the country.	0-02

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149.	14-05-2012	Shri Ambeth Rajan	Need to bring a legislation for proper implementation of Special Component Plan for SCs and Tribal Sub-Plan for STs.	0-03
150.	-do-	Shrimati Gundu Sudharani	Need to withdraw the central order to reduce quota of kerosene oil for Andhra Pradesh.	0-02
151.	-do-	Shri T. K. Rangarajan	Need for implementation of SC Sub-plan.	0-03
152.	15-05-2012	Shrimati Smriti Zubin Irani	Demand to strengthen security along the coast of Gujarat.	0-01
153.	-do-	Shri Baishnab Parida	Demand to address the issues pertaining to problems being faced by widows in the country.	
154.	-do-	Shri Ishwar Singh	Demand for making a proper drainage system to maintain cleanliness and make proper use of ponds in villages.	
155.	-do-	Shri Avinash Rai Khanna	Demand to declare a day as National Human Duties Day on the lines of Human Rights Day in the country.	

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156.	15-05-2012	Shri M. P. Achuthan	Demand to take immediate steps to hold elections against the vacant seats in local bodies in Lakshadweep.	0-02
157.	-do-	Dr. Bharatkumar Raut	Demand to restore financial assistance to the spinning sector under TUF Scheme in Maharashtra.	
158.	-do-	Shri Husain Dalwai	Demand for speedy clearance and allocation of funds for four laning of the Mumbai-Goa National Highway in Maharashtra.	
159.	-do-	Shri K. N. Balagopal	Demand to provide modern passenger amenities at railway stations in the country.	
160.	-do-	Dr. Gyan Prakash Pilania	Concern over horrendous scenario of corporal punishment to children in schools.	
161.	-do-	Shri Tapan Kumar Sen	Demand to strengthen the rural credit network so as to cover the entire farming community.	
162.	-do-	Shrimati T. Ratna Bai	Demand to take immediate action to ensure the availability of sanitation facility, drinking water and health services in tribal regions.	
163.	-do-	Shri Prabhat Jha	Demand to take early steps for eradication of malaria from the country.	

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164.	15-05-2012	Dr. Ashok S. Ganguly	Demand to resolve the problem of proliferation of slums along the Mumbai coast posing security threats to the city.	0-01
165.	-do-	Shri Shantaram Naik	Concern over the rivers in Goa getting polluted due to mining activities in Maharashtra.	0-02
166.	-do-	Shri N. K. Singh	Demand to take measures to contain the unsustainable levels of Current Account Deficit of the country.	0-01
167.	-do-	Shri Nandi Yellaiah	Demand to expedite the process of setting up a Thermal Power Plant of NTPC at Shankarpalli in Andhra Pradesh.	0-01
168.	16-05-2012	Shri S. Thangavelu	Need to issue directions to nationalized and other commercial banks to provide educational loans to students of weaker sections without surety.	0-01
169.	-do-	Shrimati Maya Singh	Need to take action to strengthen the mobile network in border areas of the country.	0-01
170.	-do-	Shri Mansukh L. Mandaviya	Concern over increase in Railway freight adversely affecting the salt traders in the country.	0-02

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171.	16-05-2012	Shri Sukhendu Sekhar Roy	Need to take measures to ensure proper implementation of the National Training Policy.	0-03
172.	17-05-2012	Shri Avtar Singh Karimpuri	Demand to take necessary steps to improve the health services in the country.	0-02
173.	-do-	Shri Narendra Kumar Kashyap	Demand to implement uniform system of education to remove social imbalance from the country.	
174.	-do-	Shri Ali Anwar Ansari	Demand to set up the Office of Commissioner in Patna for proper implementation of welfare programmes for <i>bidi</i> workers in Bihar.	
175.	-do-	Shri Praveen Rashtrapal	Demand to remove the anomalies in the pay of Group 'B' Officers of Indian Information Service.	
176.	-do-	Shrimati Bimla Kashyap Sood	Demand to increase import duty on apple on the lines of orange to protect the interests of apple growers in Himachal Pradesh.	
177.	-do-	Dr. Prabha Thakur	Demand to take steps for speedy disposal of cases of sexual harassment and rape in the country.	
178.	-do-	Shri A. Elavarasan	Demand for immediate appointment of a new Chairman of the Cauvery Water Disputes Tribunal.	

Sl. No.	Date	Name of the Member	Subject	<u>Time taken</u> Hrs.Mts.
179.	17-05-2012	Shri Rama Chandra Khuntia	Demand to streamline the telephone and internet services provided by MTNL and BSNL in the country.	} 0-01
180.	-do-	Shri Kanwar Deep Singh	Demand to extend the facility of minimal invasive robotic surgery to CGHS and ECHS beneficiaries in the country.	
181.	18-05-2012	Shri Tapan Kumar Sen	Concern over NALCO being compelled to sell its surplus alumina to its rival company in the domestic market.	} 0-01
182.	-do-	Shri Mahendra Singh Mahra	Demand to expedite the construction of Tanakpur-Pithoragarh National Highway and make proper arrangements for its maintenance.	
183.	-do-	Shri Veer Singh	Demand to improve the salary and service conditions of the staff employed in CSD Canteens of the Indian Army.	
184.	-do-	Shri Tarun Vijay	Demand to address the problem of potable water and erect a memorial of Sher Ali Khan in place of Lord Mayo in Port Blair, Andaman & Nicobar Islands.	0-03

Sl. No.	Date	Name of the Member	Subject	<u>Time taken</u> Hrs.Mts.
185.	18-05-2012	Shri Devender Goud T.	Demand for speedy allocation of the required gas for the Karimnagar Gas Power Project in Andhra Pradesh.	0-02
186.	22-05-2012	Dr. Prabha Thakur	Demand to include Rajasthani language in the Eighth Schedule to the Constitution.	0-02
187.	-do-	Dr. Janardhan Waghmare	Demand to take effective steps for universalisation of elementary education in the country.	
188.	-do-	Shri S. Thangavelu	Demand to take effective steps to check the outbreak of dengue in Tirunelveli in Tamil Nadu.	
189.	-do-	Shri Rama Chandra Khuntia	Demand to take steps for regularization of contract and daily wage workers.	
190.	-do-	Dr. Bharatkumar Raut	Demand to release a postal stamp in memory of veteran socialist leader, late Shri Prakash Mohadikar.	
191.	-do-	Shri Avtar Singh Karimpuri	Demand to make strict laws to check the sexual harassment of mentally retarded women in the country.	

Sl. No.	Date	Name of the Member	Subject	<u>Time taken</u> Hrs.Mts.
192.	22-05-2012	Prof. Anil Kumar Sahani	Demand to issue guidelines to give the benefits of reservation to people belonging to denotified tribes, nomadic and semi-nomadic communities in the country.	0-02
193.	-do-	Shri Prabhat Jha	Demand to take effective steps to protect the existence of Madhubani style of painting.	
194.	-do-	Shri Tapan Kumar Sen	Demand to redesign and expand the modernization project of Durgapur Steel Plant.	
195.	-do-	Shri Anil Desai	Demand to improve efficiency and productivity of MTNL so as to avoid offering of VRS to its employees.	
196.	-do-	Dr. Gyan Prakash Pilania	Concern over prevalence of child marriage in the country.	
197.	-do-	Shri Parshottam Khodabhai Rupala	Demand to give approval to the proposal of the State Government of Gujarat to use Gujarati language in the proceedings of the Gujarat High Court.	

Sl. No.	Date	Name of the Member	Subject	Time taken Hrs.Mts.
198.	22-05-2012	Dr. E. M. Sudarsana Natchiappan	Demand to take initiatives on the proposals of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and Pacific (UNESCAP).	0-02
199.	-do-	Shri Kumar Deepak Das	Demand to hike the fees paid to the casual News Reader-cum-Translators employed at regional centres of All India Radio.	
200.	-do-	Dr. Ram Prakash	Demand to review the current evaluation system upto class eighth and make the Board examination mandatory for class tenth.	
201.	-do-	Shri Om Prakash Mathur	Demand to make arrangements for procurement of the garlic produce in Rajasthan under Market Intervention Scheme.	
202.	-do-	Shri Dharmendra Pradhan	Concern over NALCO being compelled to sell its surplus alumina to its rival company in the domestic market.	
203.	-do-	Shri Ram Kripal Yadav	Demand to hike honorarium of ASHA workers employed under the National Rural Health Mission in Bihar.	

Sl. No.	Date	Name of the Member	Subject	<u>Time taken</u> Hrs.Mts.
204.	22-05-2012	Shri Avinash Rai Khanna	Demand to evolve a mechanism to quantify and standardize cobalt element in utensils made of stainless steel.	0-01
Total:				3-01

CALLING ATTENTION TO MATTERS OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

Calling Attention Notices on the following subjects were admitted and the Statements in respect thereof were made in the House: —

Sl. No	Date	Name of the Member	Subject	Ministry	Minister-in-Charge	<u>Time taken</u> Hrs.Mts.
1.	04-05-2012	Shri Arun Jaitley, <i>Leader of the Opposition</i>	Discrimination and racial profiling faced by the students from the North-Eastern States in some parts of the country.	Home Affairs	Shri P. Chidambaram	1-04
2.	08-05-2012	Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu	Situation arising out of severe drought in the State of Karnataka resulting into failure of <i>Kharif</i> and <i>Rabi</i> Crops.	Agriculture	Shri Harish Rawat	1-04
Total :						<u>2-08</u>

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

(I) The following Statements were made/laid by Ministers during the Session: —

Sl. No.	Date	Subject matter of the Statement	Name of the Minister	<u>Time taken</u> Hrs.Mts.
1.	14-03-2012	Situation in Sri Lanka	Shri S.M. Krishna	0-59
2.	20-03-2012	Accident at unmanned level crossing on North-Eastern Railway resulting in loss of human lives and injuries.	Shri Mukul Roy	0-04
3.	27-03-2012	Revision of MGNREGA wage rates along with Notification revising MGNREGA wage rates for the period April 1, 2012 to March 31, 2013.	Shri Jairam Ramesh	0-01
4.	-do-	Action taken by him to curb corruption in army procurement deals and the CBI Inquiry ordered into the reported allegation by Army Chief, Gen. V. K. Singh of a bribe offer of ₹ 14 crore for passing a defence procurement deal.	Shri A.K. Antony	0-20

Sl. No.	Date	Subject matter of the Statement	Name of the Minister	Time taken Hrs.Mts.
5.	28-03-2012	Defence preparedness of the country in the light of the reported allegations by the Army Chief on defence procurement.	Shri A.K. Antony	0-09
6.	26-04-2012	Launch of Radar Imaging Satellite-1 (RISAT-1) by ISRO.	Shri V.Narayansamy	0-01
7.	-do-	Visit of President of Pakistan to India on April 8, 2012.	Shri S.M. Krishna	—
8.	*08-05-2012 14-05-2012	Issue of the alleged role of Minister of Home Affairs, in the Aircel-Maxis deal, as reported by some newspapers and media.	Shri Rajeev Shukla Shri P. Chidambaram Shri Pranab Mukherjee	0-58
9.	22-05-2012	Rail accident involving Hampi Express and a stationary goods train at Penneconda in Andhra Pradesh at 3-45 a.m. on Tuesday, the 22 nd May, 2012.	Shri Bharatsinh Solanki	0-03
10.	-do-	Ongoing strike by some Pilots of Air India.	Shri Ajit Singh	0-19

* Also see item at Sl.No. (1) under the heading 'INFORMATION TO THE HOUSE'.

(II) The following Statements were laid by Ministers in pursuance of the Direction of the Chairman, Rajya Sabha, dated the 24th September, 2004 in accordance with the provisions of Rule 266 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Council of States: —

Sl. No.	Date	Subject matter of the Statement	Name of the Minister	<u>Time taken</u> Hrs.Mts.
1.	19-03-2012	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Two Hundred and Thirteenth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment & Forests on the Demands for Grants (2010-11) of the Ministry of Earth Sciences.	Shri Ashwani Kumar	0-01
2.	20-03-2012	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Twenty-first Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Rural Development (15 th Lok Sabha) on Demands for Grants 2011-12 of the Department of Land Resources, Ministry of Rural Development.	Shri Jairam Ramesh	0-01
3.	21-03-2012	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the One Hundred and Fiftieth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Home Affairs on the Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the One Hundred and Forty-fourth Report on the Demands for Grants (2010-11) of the Ministry of Home Affairs.	Shri Mullappally Ramachandran	0-01

4.	26-03-2012	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Twelfth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Food, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution.	Prof. K.V. Thomas	0-01
5.	29-03-2012	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the One Hundred and Sixty-third Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on Demands for Grants 2010-11, pertaining to the Ministry of Road, Transport and Highways.	Shri C.P. Joshi	0-01
6.	-do-	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Sixth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Rural Development (2009-10) on Demands for Grants 2010-11, pertaining to the Ministry of Panchayati Raj.	Shri V. Kishore Chandra Deo	
7.	29-03-2012	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the One Hundred and Sixty-second Report on the Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the One Hundred and Fifty-fourth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on Demands for Grants (2010-11), pertaining to the Ministry of Tourism.	Shri Sultan Ahmed	—

8.	30-03-2012	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Twenty-second Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Agriculture on Demands for Grants (2011-12), relating to Department of Agriculture & Cooperation.	Shri Sharad Pawar	—
9.	-do-	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Twenty-fourth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Information Technology on Demands for Grants (2011-12), relating to Department of Posts, Ministry of Communications and Information Technology.	Shri Sachin Pilot	0-01
10.	30-03-2012	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Twenty-first Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Information Technology on Demands for Grants (2011-12), relating to Department of Telecommunications.	Shri Sachin Pilot	—
11.	24-04-2012	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Twentieth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Rural Development, pertaining to the Demands for Grants (2011-12) of the Department of Rural Development, Ministry of Rural Development.	Shri Jairam Ramesh	0-01

12.	26-04-2012	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Twelfth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Coal and Steel on 'Modernisation and Expansion of Steel Sector' of the Ministry of Steel	Shri Beni Prasad Verma	}	0-01
13.	-do-	Status of implementation of observations/ recommendations contained in the Eighteenth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Coal and Steel on 'Demands for Grants (2011-12)' of the Ministry of Steel.	-do-		}
14.	27-04-2012	Status of implementation of observations/ recommendations contained in the Thirty-fourth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Finance (15 th Lok Sabha) relating to the Department of Revenue.	Shri S.S. Palanimanickam		0-01
15.	02-05-2012	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the One Hundred and Fifty-second Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Home Affairs on "Revamping and Revitalisation of Civil Defence in the Country".	Shri Mullappally Ramachandran		0-01
16.	09-05-2012	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Seventeenth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Labour on Welfare of Beedi Workers of Ministry of Labour and Employment.	Shri Mallikarjun Kharge		—

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| 17. | 09-05-2012 | Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Fourteenth Report (Fifteenth Lok Sabha) of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Urban Development on Demands for Grants 2011-12 of the Ministry of Urban Development. | Shri Saugata Ray | 0-01 |
| 18. | 10-05-2012 | Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the One Hundred and Seventy-second Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on the “Development of Tourism in North-Eastern Region.” | Shri Sultan Ahmed | 0-01 |
| 19. | 11-05-2012 | Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Twenty-third Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Agriculture (PSCA) of the Department of Agricultural Research & Education, Ministry of Agriculture as well as Further Action Taken based on the Comments of the Committee contained in the Twenty-ninth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Agriculture. | Shri Harish Rawat | — |

20.	11-05-2012	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Twenty-third Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Information Technology on Demands for Grants, for the year 2010-11, relating to the Department of Electronics & Information Technology.	Shri Sachin Pilot	}	0-01
21.	-do-	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Twenty-first Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Agriculture on Infrastructural Facilities for Development of Food Processing Industries	Shri Charan Das Mahant		—
22.	-do-	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Twenty-fifth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Agriculture on Action Taken by the Government on Demands for Grants of the Ministry of Food Processing Industries, for the year 2011-12.	-do-		—
23.	14-05-2012	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Tenth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Water Resources on 'Augmentation of Depleted Ground Water Level, Sustainable Development, Conservation, Management, Use of Ground Water and Prevention of Water Pollution'.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal		0-01

24.	14-05-2012	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Seventeenth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Coal and Steel pertaining to the Ministry of Mines.	Shri Dinsha J. Patel	—
25.	16-05-2012	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Twelfth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Defence.	Shri A.K. Antony	} 0-01
26.	-do-	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Nineteenth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Labour.	Shri Mallikarjun Kharge	
27.	16-05-2012	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Fifteenth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Urban Development on Demands for Grants (2011-12) of the Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation.	Kumari Selja	—
28.	17-05-2012	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the First Report on Demands for Grants (2004-05), Fourteenth Report on Demands for Grants (2006-07), Nineteenth Report on Demands for Grants (2007-08), Thirty-first Report on Demands for Grants (2008-09) and Forty-third Report on Demands for Grants (2010-11) of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions pertaining to the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions.	Shri V. Narayanasamy	0-01

29.	17-05-2012	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the One 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 One Hundred and Fortieth Report on 'Promotion of Tourism in Jammu & Kashmir' pertaining to the Ministry of Tourism.	Shri Sultan Ahmed	—
30.	18-05-2012	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Twenty-third Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Agriculture on the Demands for Grants pertaining to the Department of Agricultural Research and Education.	Shri Sharad Pawar	—
31.	-do-	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Twenty-fourth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Agriculture pertaining to the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries.	-do-	0-01
32.	-do-	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Fifteenth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Information Technology on 'Modernisation of Post Offices for 2010-11' relating to the Department of Posts, Ministry of Communications and Information Technology.	Shri Sachin Pilot	—

33.	18-05-2012	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Thirty-seventh Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2011-12).	Shri R.P.N. Singh	—
34.	21-05-2012	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Twenty-second Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Information Technology (2011-12) pertaining to the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.	Dr.S. Jagatrakshakan	0-01
35.	22-05-2012	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the One 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 One Hundred and Forty-ninth Report on “Development of Tourism Infrastructure and amenities for the Commonwealth Games, 2010” pertaining to the Ministry of Tourism.	Shri V. Narayanasamy	—
Total:				<u>3-12</u>

MESSAGES FROM THE LOK SABHA/ GOVERNMENT BILLS—LAID ON THE TABLE

Secretary-General reported to the Rajya Sabha, 27 messages received from the Lok Sabha and laid on the Table, 14 Government Bills, as passed by the Lok Sabha, during the Session.

(Time taken: 18 Mts.)

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

8 Meetings of the Business Advisory Committee were held during the Session to allocate time for Government Legislative and other Business. Recommendations of the Committee in respect of the eight (8) meetings were reported to the House on the dates mentioned below: —

Sl. No.	Date of BAC Meeting	Date of announcement of the recommendations of BAC in the House	<u>Time taken</u> Hrs.Mts.
1.	12-03-2012	13-03-2012	0-01
2.	15-03-2012	19-03-2012	0-02
3.	27-03-2012	28-03-2012	0-01
4.	24-04-2012	24-04-2012	0-01
5.	26-04-2012	27-04-2012	0-01
6.	03-05-2012	03-05-2012	0-01
7.	10-05-2012	10-05-2012	0-01
8.	17-05-2012	17-05-2012	0-01
Total:			0-09

STATEMENTS REGARDING GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

3 Statements regarding Government Business were made/laid in the House on the following dates during the Session: —

Sl. No.	Date	<u>Time taken</u> Hrs.Mts.
1.	27-04-2012	0-01
2.	04-05-2012	0-01
3.	11-05-2012	—
Total:		0-02

MOTION OF THANKS ON THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

Dates of discussion	Member who moved the Motion	Member who seconded the Motion	No. of Amendments admitted	No. of Amendments actually moved	No. of Speakers	Minister who replied	<u>Time taken</u> Hrs.Mts.	Remarks
14-03-2012	Shri	Dr.E.M.	604	292	36	Dr.	13-19	Amendments moved were either withdrawn by leave of the House or negatived and the Motion was adopted. For details of Division, refer pages 109 and 110.
15-03-2012	Satyavrat	Sudarsana				Manmohan		
19-03-2012	Chaturvedi	Natchiappan				Singh,		
20-03-2012						Prime Minister and Leader of the House		
Total :							13-19	

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

On the 26th March, 2012, the Deputy Chairman communicated to the House the following Message received from the President:—

“I have received the expression of Thanks by the Members of the Rajya Sabha for the Address which I delivered to both Houses of Parliament assembled together on 12th March, 2012.”

(Time taken: 01 Minute)

SHORT DURATION DISCUSSIONS (*Discussions under Rule 176*)

Sl. No.	Date(s)	Name of the Member who raised the discussion	Subject	No. of Speakers	Minister who replied	Time taken Hrs.Mts.	
1.	03-05-2012	Shri Satish Chandra Misra	Issue of reservation for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in promotions during service.	15	Shri V. Narayanasamy	3-50	
2.	14-05-2012	Shri Shanta Kumar	Problem of food grains storage in the country.	22	Prof. K.V. Thomas	3-18	∞
3.	17-05-2012	Shri Balbir Punj	Normalization of relations with Pakistan and issues relating to human rights violation of minorities in Pakistan.	10	Shri S.M. Krishna	1-39	
						Total:	8-47

DISCUSSION

Sl. No.	Date(s)	Subject	Name of Mover	No. of Speakers	<u>Time taken</u> Hrs.Mts.	<u>Remarks</u>
1.	13-05-2012 (Sunday)	Sixty Years' Journey of the Indian Parliament	Dr. Manmohan Singh, Prime Minister and Leader of the House	34	5-13	A Resolution was also adopted after conclusion of the discussion. For details, pl. see page 90.
					5-13	

RESOLUTION

Date	Subject	Name of the Mover	Time taken Hrs. Mts.	Remarks
13-05-2012	<p>“We the Members of Rajya Sabha, meeting in a special sitting of the House to commemorate the sixtieth anniversary of the first sitting of Parliament:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Remembering with gratitude, the immense sacrifices made by our freedom fighters in the nation’s struggle for independence, and the stellar role played by the founding fathers of the Constitution in mandating equality, fraternity, justice and brotherhood of mankind and the uplifting of under-privileged and down-trodden sections of society;▪ Acknowledging with satisfaction and pride, the maturity of the people of India, who have cherished the democratic values and worked ceaselessly for unity and integrity of the nation;▪ Noting that in the last sixty years, the Parliament has, through epoch making laws, taken decisive steps towards ensuring equity and justice in all matters for establishing an inclusive society in pursuance of our deep faith and commitment to the ideals enshrined in the Constitution;	Shri Mohammad Hamid Ansari, Chairman, Rajya Sabha	0-03	Unanimously adopted by the House after conclusion of the discussion on the theme ‘Sixty Years Journey of the Indian Parliament’. For details, pl see page 89.

- Realizing that a lot more remains to be done;
do hereby solemnly reaffirm our total and abiding
commitment to the ideals cherished by our
founding fathers, and resolve:
 - (a) to uphold and maintain the dignity,
sanctity and supremacy of Parliament;
 - (b) to make Parliament an effective
instrument of change and to strengthen
democratic values and principles;
 - (c) to enhance the accountability of the
Government towards the people through
the oversight of Parliament; and
 - (d) to re-dedicate ourselves completely to
the sacred task of Nation Building.”

Total:

0-03

STATUTORY MOTIONS

Sl. No.	Date	Name of the Mover	Subject	Minister who participated	No. of Speakers	Time taken Hrs. Mts.	Remarks
1.	17-05-2012	Shri P. Rajeeve	<p>“That this House resolves that the Information Technology (Intermediaries Guidelines) Rules, 2011 issued under clause (zg) of sub-section (2) of Section 87 read with sub-section (2) of Section 79 of the Information Technology Act, 2000 published in the Gazette of India dated the 13th April, 2011 <u>vide</u> Notification No. G.S.R 314(E) and laid on the Table of the House on the 12th August, 2011, be annuled; and</p> <p>That this House recommends to Lok Sabha that Lok Sabha do concur in this Motion.”</p>	Shri Kapil Sibal, Minister of Human Resource Development and Minister of Communications and Information Technology	8	1-35	The Motion was Negatived.

2.	18-05-2012 21-05-2012	Shri K.N. Balagopal	<p><i>“That this House resolves, in pursuance of section 43 of the Airports Authority of India Act, 1994, the Airports Authority of India (Major Airports) Development Fees Rules, 2011 published in the Gazette of India dated 2nd August, 2011 vide notification G.S.R. 597(E) and laid on the Table of the House on the 25th August, 2011, be modified as follows:</i></p> <p>1. That in rule 3 at page 6, after the word “collected” the words “by a person or a body of persons as specified” be deleted</p> <p>2. That in rule 3 at page 6, the following proviso and explanation be added:</p> <p>“Provided, the Development Fee shall not be collected for and on behalf of those operators/ lessees who had been awarded contract to develop such airports before the introduction of Development Fee.”</p>	Shri Ajit Singh, Minister of Civil Aviation	11	2-04	The Motion was Negatived.
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Explanation: This proviso is added, because the total value of contract was determined while awarding the contract without taking into consideration of Development Fees.

3. That in rule 4, sub-rule 3, at page 6, **after** the words “to be executed”, the words “and managed” be **inserted**.

4. That in rule 4, sub-rule 4, at page 6, **after** the word “Account”, the following be **added**:

“The money already collected before the introduction of the present Rule by certain operators shall be assessed and deposited in a separate account called “Development Fees Surplus Sub Account”.

5. That in rule 4, sub-rule 5(iii), at page 7, the following be **added** as sub rule 5(iv) namely, -

5(iv) “The amount remaining in the Development Fees Surplus Sub Account shall be taken into account while improving the facilities of the

Airports run by Airports Authority of India.”

6. That in rule 5, sub-rule 9, at page 8, **for** the word “ten” the word “twenty five” be **substituted**.

7. That in rule 7, at page 8, **after** the word “Act.” the following be **added**:

“The all accounts pertaining to collection and disbursal of development fee shall be audited by C&AG.”

And

That this House recommends to Lok Sabha that Lok Sabha do concur in this Motion.”

Total: 3-39

GOVERNMENT RESOLUTION

Date	Subject	Name of the Mover	No. of Speakers	<u>Time taken</u> Hrs. Mts.	Remarks
22-03-2012	“That this House approves the recommendations contained in Paras 75, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82 and 84 of the Second Report of the Railway Convention Committee (2009), appointed to review the rate of dividend payable by the Railway Undertaking to General Revenues etc., which was laid on the Table of the Rajya Sabha on the 30 th August, 2011”.	Shri Mukul Roy	—	0-01	Adopted.
Total:				<u>0-01</u>	

SUPPLEMENTARY DEMANDS FOR GRANTS — LAID ON THE TABLE

Sl. No	Date	Particulars	Minister who laid on the Table	<u>Time taken</u> Hrs.Mts.
1.	14-03-2012	Supplementary Demands for Grants (Railways) 2011-12	Shri Dinesh Trivedi	—
2.	19-03-2012	Supplementary Demands for Grants (General) 2011-12	Shri Namu Narain Meena	0-01
Total:				0-01

BUDGETS — LAID ON THE TABLE

Sl. No	Date	Particulars	Minister who laid on the Table	<u>Time taken</u> Hrs.Mts.
1.	14-03-2012	The Budget (Railways), 2012-13	Shri Dinesh Trivedi	0-01
2.	*16-03-2012	The Budget (General), 2012-13	Shri Pranab Mukherjee	0-01
Total:				<u>0-02</u>

* Also laid Policy statements along with the Budget. For further details, please see at serial no. 4 under the heading "Papers Laid on the Table".

BUDGETS — GENERAL DISCUSSION

Sl. No.	Date(s) of discussion	Budget Discussed	No. of Speakers	Minister who replied	<u>Time taken</u> Hrs.Mts.
1.	20-03-2012 21-03-2012 22-03-2012	*The Budget (Railways), 2012-13	48	Shri Mukul Roy	11-00
2.	26-03-2012 27-03-2012 28-03-2012	^The Budget (General), 2012-13	42	Shri Pranab Mukherjee	11-53
				Total:	<u>22-53</u>

For Reference and Record

The Budget (Railways) 2012-13 was presented by Shri Dinesh Trivedi, Minister of Railways on the 14th of March, 2012. However, during the Session, he was replaced by Shri Mukul Roy as Minister of Railways *w.e.f.* the 20th of March, 2012.

* Discussed along with Appropriation Bills. For details, pl. see items at Sl. No. 1 to 3 under the heading 'GOVERNMENT LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS'.

^ Discussed along with Appropriation Bills. For details, pl. see items at Sl. No. 5 to 7 under the heading 'GOVERNMENT LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS'.

DISCUSSION ON THE WORKING OF MINISTRIES

Sl. No.	Date	Ministry Discussed	Discussion Initiated by	No. of Speakers	Minister(s) who replied	<u>Time taken</u> Hrs. Mts.
1.	26-04-2012	Labour and Employment	Shri Tapan Kumar Sen [CPI(M)]	16	Shri Mallikarjun Kharge	4-20
2.	02-05-2012	Coal	Shri Rama Chandra Khuntia [INC]	16	Shri Shriprakash Jaiswal	3-04
3.	07-05-2012 08-05-2012	Defence	Shri Balbir Punj [BJP]	24	Shri A.K. Antony	7-15
Total:						<u>14-39</u>

GOVERNMENT LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

Sl. No.	Title of the Bill	Date of Introduction / laying on the Table, as passed by Lok Sabha	Date of discussion in the Rajya Sabha	Minister-in-charge	No. of Speakers	Time taken Hrs. Mts.	Remarks
#1.	The Appropriation (Railways) Vote on Account Bill, 2012	22-03-2012	22-03-2012	Shri Mukul Roy	—	0-05	Discussed together with Government Resolution. The Resolution was adopted and the Bill was Returned. For other details, see under the heading "GOVERNMENT RESOLUTION".
#2.	The Appropriation (Railways) Bill, 2012						
#3.	The Appropriation (Railways) No. 2 Bill, 2012						

Discussed together with the Budget (Railways), 2012-13. For details, pl. see item at Sl. No. 1 under the heading 'BUDGETS – GENERAL DISCUSSION'.

4.	The Indian Forest (Amendment) Bill, 2012	26-03-2012	—	Shrimati Jayanthi Natarajan	—	0-01	Introduced.
#5.	The Appropriation (Vote on Account) Bill, 2012	28-03-2012	28-03-2012	Shri Pranab Mukherjee	—	0-04	Returned.
#6.	The Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 2012						
#7.	The Appropriation Bill, 2012						
8.	The Border Security Force (Amendment) Bill, 2011	18-08-2011	29-03-2012	Shri P. Chidambaram	—	0-24	As suggested by some Members and agreed to by the House, consideration of the Bill was deferred.

Discussed together with the Budget (General), 2012-13. For details, pl. see item at Sl. No. 2 under the heading 'BUDGETS – GENERAL DISCUSSION'.

9.	The Whistle Blowers Protection Bill, 2011	28-12-2011	29-03-2012	Shri V. Narayanasamy	—	0-12	Under Consideration.
10.	The Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (Amendment) Bill, 2010	16-04-2010	24-04-2012	Shri Kapil Sibal	14	2-35	Passed, as amended.
11.	The Central Educational Institutions (Reservation in Admission) Amendment Bill, 2010	06-08-2010	24-04-2012	Shri Kapil Sibal	06	1-32	Passed, as amended.

#12.	The Institutes of Technology (Amendment) Bill, 2011	25-03-2011						
			30-04-2012	Shri Kapil Sibal	12	2-40	Passed, as amended.	
#13.	The National Institutes of Technology (Amendment) Bill, 2011	23-08-2011						
14.	The Marriage Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2010	04-08-2010	30-04-2012 02-05-2012 21-05-2012	Shri Salman Khursheed	18	1-55	The discussion was concluded on the 2 nd of May, 2012 and the Vice-Chairman (Prof. P.J. Kurien) announced that the Minister will reply later. However, on the 21 st of May, 2012, further consideration of the Bill was deferred.	

Discussed together.

15.	The Chemical Weapons Convention (Amendment) Bill, 2010	16-04-2010	03-05-2012	Shri Srikant Jena	8	0-45	Passed, as amended.
16.	The Tamil Nadu Legislative Council (Repeal) Bill, 2012	04-05-2012	22-05-2012	Shri Salman Khursheed	—	0-02	Introduced and Under Consideration.
17.	The Administrators-General (Amendment) Bill, 2011	18-08-2011	04-05-2012	Shri Salman Khursheed	2	0-07	Passed, as amended.
18.	The Registration of Births and Deaths (Amendment) Bill, 2012	07-05-2012	—	Shri Salman Khursheed	—	0-01	Introduced.
19.	The Anand Marriage (Amendment) Bill, 2012	07-05-2012	21-05-2012	Shri Salman Khursheed	7	0-26	Introduced, considered and passed.

20.	The Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Bill, 2007	15-05-2007	08-05-2012	Shri C.P. Joshi	8	1-09	Passed, as amended.
21.	The Indian Medical Council (Amendment) Bill, 2012	07-05-2012	09-05-2012	Shri Ghulam Nabi Azad	18	2-39	Passed.
22.	The Appropriation (Railways) No. 3 Bill, 2012	27-04-2012	09-05-2012 10-05-2012	Shri Mukul Roy	27	4-52	Returned.
23.	The Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Bill, 2011	23-03-2011	10-05-2012	Shrimati Krishna Tirath	5	1-03	Passed, as amended.
#24.	The Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 2012	} 04-05-2012	15-05-2012	Shri Pranab Mukherjee	19	5-26	Returned.
#25.	The Finance Bill, 2012		} 10-05-2012				

Discussed together.

26.	The North-Eastern Areas (Reorganisation) and Other Related Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2012	14-05-2012	16-05-2012	Shri P. Chidambaram	9	0-59	Passed.
27.	The Copyright (Amendment) Bill, 2010	19-04-2010	17-05-2012	Shri Kapil Sibal	13	2-29	Passed, as amended. (The Bill was moved for consideration on the 20 th December, 2011)
28.	The Constitution (Scheduled Tribes) Order (Amendment) Bill, 2012	16-05-2012	21-05-2012	Shri V. Kishore Chandra Deo	16	1-19	Passed.
29.	The Lokpal and Lokayuktas Bill, 2011	28-12-2011	21-05-2012	Shri V. Narayanasamy	10	0-43	The motion by the Minister for Reference of the Bill to a Select Committee of the Rajya Sabha consisting of fifteen Members was adopted.

								(The Bill was moved for consideration on the 29 th December, 2011)
30.	The Rani Lakshmi Bai Central Agricultural University Bill, 2012	22-05-2012	—	Shri Sharad Pawar	2	0-13	Introduced.	
31.	The Railway Property (Unlawful Possession) Amendment Bill, 2011.	21-05-2012	22-05-2012	Shri Bharatsinh Solanki	—	0-03	Amendments made by Lok Sabha in the Bill were agreed to.	
						Total:	32-26	

DIVISIONS

The following Divisions were held :—

Sl. No.	Subject	Date of division	Brief Question on which Division was sought	Result as declared	Final Corrected Result	Remarks
1.	Motion of Thanks on the President's Address	20-03-2012	Amendment Nos. 207, 374, 550 and 551 moved by Shri Moinul Hassan, Shri S. S. Ahluwalia, Shri Sitaram Yechury, Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu, Shri Sukhendu Sekhar Roy, Shri Shivanand Tiwari and Shri Pyarimohan Mohapatra	Ayes — &82 Noes — &105	Ayes — 81 Noes — 105	The Amendments were negatived.

& Subject to correction.

2.	Motion of 20-03-2012 Thanks on the President's Address	Amendment Nos. 562 to 567 moved by Shri D. Raja	Ayes — &9 Noes — &84	Ayes — 10 Noes — 92	The Amendments were negatived.
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& Subject to correction.

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

I. Private Members' Bills

Sl. No.	Date	Title of the Bill	Member-in-Charge	Minister who participated	No. of Speakers	Time taken Hrs. Mts.	Remarks
1.	27-04-2012	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2011 (amendment of Tenth Schedule)	Shri Shantaram Naik	—	—	0-01	Introduced.
2.	-do-	The Passports (Amendment) Bill, 2011	-do-	—	—		-do-
3.	-do-	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2011 (amendment of article 371 I)	-do-	—	—	0-01	-do-
4.	-do-	The Soya Bean Growers' (Remunerative Price and Welfare) Bill, 2010	Shri Prabhat Jha	—	—	0-01	-do-
5.	-do-	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2011 (substitution of new article for article 346)	-do-	—	—	0-01	-do-

6.	27-04-2012	The Employment Guarantee for Educated Unemployed Youth Bill, 2011	Shri Prabhat Jha	—	—	}	0-01	Introduced.
7.	-do-	The Prevention and Management of Conflict of Interest Bill, 2011	Dr.E.M. Sudarsana Natchiappan	—	—			-do-
8.	-do-	The Protection of Human Rights (Amendment) Bill, 2012	-do-	—	—		0-01	-do-
9.	-do-	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2012 (insertion of new article 21B and amendment of article 51A)	-do-	—	—	0-01	-do-	
10.	-do-	The Compulsory Police Verification of SIM Cards Bill, 2012	Shri Parshottam Khodabhai Rupala	—	—	0-01	-do-	
11.	-do-	The Prohibition of Slaughter of Cow and its Progeny Bill, 2012	-do-	—	—	0-01	-do-	

12.	-do-	The Prevention of Bribery in Private Sector Bill, 2012	Shri Prakash Javadekar	—	—	0-01	-do-
13.	27-04-2012	The Solar Power (Development, Promotion and Mandatory Use) Bill, 2012	Prof. P.J. Kurien	—	—	0-01	Introduced.
14.	-do-	The Farmers (Protection from Natural Calamities and Other Welfare Measures) Bill, 2011	Shri Avtar Singh Karimpuri	—	—	0-01	-do-
15.	-do-	The Destitute and Needy Senior Citizens (Care, Protection and Welfare) Bill, 2011	-do-	—	—	0-01	-do-
16.	-do-	The Indian Penal Code (Amendment) Bill, 2011	Shri Narendra Kumar Kashyap	—	—	0-01	-do-
17.	-do-	The Pre-Examination Coaching Centres Regulatory Authority Bill, 2010.	Shri Mohan Singh	Shrimati D. Purandeswari	9	2-04	Withdrawn.

18.	27-04-2012 11-05-2012	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2010 (insertion of new article 371J).	Shri Bhagat Singh Koshiyari	Shri Ashwani Kumar	8	1-54	Withdrawn.
19.	11-05-2012	The Whistle Blowers (Protection in Public Interest Disclosures) Bill, 2010	Shri Vijay Jawaharlal Darda	—	—	0-01	Introduced.
20.	-do-	The Pathological Laboratories and Clinics (Regulation and Control) Bill, 2010	-do-	—	—	0-01	-do-
21.	-do-	The Prevention of Atrocities on Women Bill, 2010	-do-	—	—	} 0-01	-do-
22.	-do-	The Women Farmers' Entitlements Bill, 2011	Prof. M.S. Swaminathan	—	—		-do-
23.	-do-	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2012 (amendment of Preamble, articles 1 and 28)	Shri M. Rama Jois	—	—	0-01	-do-

24.	-do-	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2012 (substitution of article 220 and insertion of new article 220A)	Shri Tarun Vijay	—	—	0-01	-do-
25.	11-05-2012	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2012 (amendment of article 39)	Shri Tarun Vijay	—	—	0-01	Introduced.
26.	-do-	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2012 (insertion of new article 18A)	Shri Shadi Lal Batra	—	—	} 0-01	-do-
27.	-do-	The High Court of Haryana Bill, 2012	-do-	—	—		-do-
28.	-do-	The Land Acquisition (Amendment) Bill, 2012	-do-	—	—		
29.	-do-	The Prohibition and Eradication of Ragging Bill, 2011	Dr. Janardhan Waghmare	—	2	0-38	Under Consideration.
						Total:	4-57

II. Private Members' Resolutions

Sl. No.	Date	Name of the Mover	Subject	Minister who participated	No. of Speakers	Time taken Hrs. Mts.	Remarks
1.	04-05-2012 18-05-2012	Shri Prakash Javadekar	<p>“Having regard to the fact that:</p> <p>(i) the State of Andhra Pradesh was formed in the year 1956 after amalgamating Telugu speaking areas, but the first State Re-organisation Commission had recognized Telengana as a potential separate state and the first Prime Minister Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru had even assured justice to Telengana while inaugurating the new state;</p> <p>(ii) despite all these assurances, due to the lop-sided policies of the governments in the State, some areas have remained neglected in the fields of education, employment, irrigation, development, etc., and this neglect and backwardness have led to an acute feeling of alienation among the people of Telengana region,</p>	—	14	3-36	<p>Under Consideration.</p> <p>[After taking the sense of the House, the Vice-Chairman (Prof. P.J. Kurien) announced that the discussion on the Resolution would be resumed in the next Session on the day allotted to Private Members' Resolutions as</p>

who have been demanding a separate state since 1969;

the first item on that day.]

- (iii) Telangana consists of ten districts of Andhra Pradesh, namely - Hyderabad, Rangareddy, Mahboobnagar, Medak, Nalgonda, Khammam, Warrangel, Karimnagar, Adilabad and Nizamabad and nine out of these ten districts are recognized by the Government of India as backward, despite availability of many natural resources, the benefits have failed to reach its people;
- (iv) the experience of creation of smaller states has been good as it makes administration smoother and efficient coupled with higher development of the areas that have been neglected and from the people's perspective, this gives them more easy access to the government and reduces disparity level between the developed and non-developed areas;

(v) there is merit in the demand for a separate state of Telengana as it serves the cause of geographical continuity, economic viability as well as administrative convenience; and

(vi) the Central Government had announced on 9th December, 2009 that the process of formation of separate State of Telengana has begun but now the Government is backtracking and has taken a complete U-turn on this promise, which has resulted in continuous agitation in the region;

this House urges upon the Government to create a separate State of Telengana with a separate Legislature, Executive and Judiciary in accordance with the Constitution of India."

Total: 3-36

HALF-AN-HOUR DISCUSSIONS

Sl. No.	Date	Name of the Member who raised the discussion	Subject	No. of Speakers	Minister who replied	<u>Time taken</u> Hrs.Mts.
1.	09-05-2012	Shri D. Bandyopadhyay	Points arising out of the answer given in the Rajya Sabha on the 26 th March, 2012, to Starred Question No. 172 regarding 'Water leakage in Farakka dam'.	4	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	0-31
2.	16-05-2012	Shri Mohammed Adeeb	Points arising out of the answer given in the Rajya Sabha on the 7 th May, 2012, to Starred Question No. 423 regarding 'Promotion of entrepreneurship and self-employment among minorities'.	11	Shri Salman Khursheed	1-34
Total:						<u>2-05</u>

VALEDICTORY REMARKS

On the 22nd May, 2012, the Chairman made valedictory remarks on the conclusion of the Session.

(Time taken: 03 Mts.)

NATIONAL SONG

On the 22nd May, 2012, National Song (*Vande Mataram*) was played.

(Time taken: 02 Mts)

**STATEMENT SHOWING THE BREAK-UP OF THE TIME TAKEN BY
THE RAJYA SABHA ON VARIOUS ITEMS OF BUSINESS
DURING THE SESSION**

Sl. No.	Subject	<u>Time taken</u> Hrs. Mts.
1.	National Anthem	0-01
2.	President's Address Laid on the Table	0-01
3.	Oath or Affirmation	1-01
4.	Obituary References	0-24
5.	References by the Chair	1-15
6.	Introduction of Minister by the Prime Minister	0-01
7.	Questions	17-17
8.	Short Notice Questions	2-03
9.	Statements by Ministers Correcting Answers to Questions	0-07
10.	Papers Laid on the Table	0-36
11.	Reports/Statements of the Committees Presented/Laid on the Table	0-57
12.	Report on the Indian Parliamentary Participation at International Conference	0-01
13.	Petition praying for effective implementation of the concept of National Capital Region (NCR) to control both land use and development of infrastructure in NCR so as to avoid any haphazard development of the Region	0-01
14.	Petition praying for prevention of adulteration of food items and to ensure consumption of safe food in the country	0-01
15.	Announcement by the Chair	0-03
16.	Information to the House	0-09
17.	Farewell to the Retiring Members	2-59
18.	Good Wishes to the Deputy Chairman	0-26
19.	Welcome to New Members	0-01
20.	Announcement regarding the Leader of the Opposition	0-01
21.	Resignation by Members	0-03

Sl. No.	Subject	Time taken Hrs. Mts.
22.	Cancellation of Sitting of Rajya Sabha	0-01
23.	Leave of Absence	0-02
24.	Motions for Elections/Appointments of Members to Various Committees/Bodies	0-12
25.	Motion for Appointment of three Members of Rajya Sabha to serve on the Joint Committee to examine Matters Relating to Allocation and Pricing of Telecom Licences and Spectrum	0-02
26.	Matters raised with permission	7-26
27.	Special Mentions	3-01
28.	Calling Attention to Matters of Urgent Public Importance	2-08
29.	Statements by Ministers	3-12
30.	Messages from the Lok Sabha-Reported/Government Bills Laid on the Table	0-18
31.	Recommendations of the Business Advisory Committee	0-09
32.	Statements regarding Government Business	0-02
33.	Motion of Thanks on the President's Address	13-19
34.	President's Message	0-01
35.	Short Duration Discussions (<i>Discussion Under Rule 176</i>)	8-47
36.	Discussion	5-13
37.	Resolution	0-03
38.	Statutory Motions	3-39
39.	Government Resolution	0-01
40.	Supplementary Demands for Grants — Laid on the Table	0-01
41.	Budgets — Laid on the Table	0-02
42.	Budgets — General Discussion	22-53
43.	Discussion on the Working of Ministries	14-39

Sl. No.	Subject	Time taken Hrs. Mts.
44.	Government Legislative Business	32-26
45.	Private Members' Business	
	I. Private Members' Bills	4-57
	II. Private Member's Resolutions	3-36
46.	Half-an-Hour Discussions	2-05
47.	Valedictory Remarks	0-03
48.	National Song	0-02
49.	Points Raised	8-24
	Total:	<u>164-12</u>

**STATEMENT SHOWING THE TIME TAKEN AND TIME LOST
DUE TO INTERRUPTIONS/ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSE
DURING THE SESSION**

Date	Time Taken		Time Lost		Remarks
	H	M	H	M	
12-03-2012	0	16	0	00	The House was adjourned after laying of a copy of the President's Address and making of Obituary References and References by the Chair.
13-03-2012	0	32	4	53	The House was adjourned and Question Hour and Government Business could not be taken up due to demand by Members representing the State of Tamil Nadu that the Government may vote in favour of the Resolution moved by USA, France and Norway in UNHRC for an inquiry into the Human Right violations and alleged atrocities committed on Sri Lankan Tamils during the Civil War and a statement on the issue by the Minister of External Affairs.
14-03-2012	4	47	0	00	————
15-03-2012	5	08	1	02	The House was adjourned and Question Hour could not take place due to demand by Opposition Members for clarification from the Prime Minister on the issue of resignations tendered by Shri Dinesh Trivedi, Minister of Railways and Shri Harish Rawat, Minister of State in the Ministries of Agriculture, Food Processing Industries and Parliamentary Affairs.

Date	Time Taken		Time Lost		Remarks
	H	M	H	M	
16-03-2012	0	02	0	00	The House was adjourned after laying of the Union Budget (General) for the year 2012-13.
19-03-2012	6	55	0	00	————
20-03-2012	6	00	0	00	————
21-03-2012	6	17	0	00	————
22-03-2012	5	58	1	00	The House was adjourned and Question Hour could not take place due to uproar by Opposition Members on a reference in CAG Report to the alleged involvement of the Government in a massive scam in Coal allocation, causing an estimated loss of ₹ 10.67 lakh crore to the exchequer.
26-03-2012	4	24	1	39	The House was adjourned and Question Hour could not take place due to demand by Opposition Members for a statement by the Government on the reported allegations by the Chief of the Army Staff regarding offer of a bribe of ₹ 14 crore to him.
27-03-2012	6	06	0	00	————
28-03-2012	4	32	0	58	The House was adjourned and Question Hour could not take place due to uproar by Opposition Members over the leakage of a secret letter from the Chief of the Army Staff to the Prime Minister outlining major gaps in the country's defence preparedness.

Date	Time Taken		Time Lost		Remarks
	H	M	H	M	
29-03-2012	1	51	1	00	The House was adjourned and Question Hour could not take place due to protests by Opposition Members on the issue of creation of Telangana.
30-03-2012	2	11	0	00	_____
24-04-2012	4	58	0	00	_____
25-04-2012	0	08	0	00	The House was adjourned for the day as a mark of respect to the memory of Shri B. B. Tiwari, a sitting Member.
26-04-2012	5	20	1	30	The House was adjourned and Question Hour could not take place due to uproar by Opposition Members on the disclosures in the Bofors case.
27-04-2012	4	56	0	00	_____
30-04-2012	4	57	0	00	_____
02-05-2012	6	44	0	00	_____
03-05-2012	5	56	0	00	_____
04-05-2012	5	02	0	00	_____
07-05-2012	6	59	0	00	_____

Date	Time Taken		Time Lost		Remarks
	H	M	H	M	
08-05-2012	5	39	0	53	The House was adjourned and Question Hour could not take place due to uproar by Opposition Members on the alleged role of the Minister of Home Affairs, in the Aircel-Maxis deal, as reported in the media.
09-05-2012	6	12	0	00	————
10-05-2012	6	22	0	32	The House was adjourned for some time during the Question Hour due to foul smell in the Rajya Sabha Chamber.
11-05-2012	3	41	1	20	The House was adjourned and Question Hour could not take place due to uproar by some Members on the issue of a cartoon depicting Pt. Nehru and Dr. Ambedkar in NCERT text books.
13-05-2012	5	26	0	00	————
14-05-2012	6	19	1	00	The House was adjourned and Government Business could not be taken up due to uproar by Opposition Members on the alleged role of the Minister of Home Affairs, in the Aircel-Maxis deal, as reported in the media.
15-05-2012	6	04	0	00	————

Date	Time Taken		Time Lost		Remarks
	H	M	H	M	
16-05-2012	5	04	0	38	The House was adjourned during the Question Hour due to uproar by some Members over the plight of handloom weavers in Uttar Pradesh.
17-05-2012	7	48	1	00	The House was adjourned for some time during the post-lunch session due to demand by BJP Members for taking up Short Duration Discussion on the issue of human rights violations of Minorities in Pakistan immediately after conclusion of the discussion on the Statutory Motion.
18-05-2012	2	47	2	00	The House was adjourned and Question Hour could not take place due to uproar by Opposition Members on the alleged involvement of the Governor of Gujarat in a land grab case.
21-05-2012	6	39	0	40	The House was adjourned and Government Business could not be taken up due to demand by Opposition Members to immediately take up the Statutory Motion for modification of the Airports Authority of India, admitted in the name of Shri K. N. Balagopal.

Date	Time Taken		Time Lost		Remarks
	H	M	H	M	
22-05-2012	2	12	1	30	The House was adjourned and Question Hour could not take place due to uproar by Opposition Members on the alleged involvement of the Government in a massive scam in Coal allocation as reported in the CAG Report.
Total	164	12	22	35	

**Highlights of work transacted during the 225th Session –
At a Glance**

Sittings	
Date of issue of Summons	16-02-2012
Duration of the Session	12-03-2012 to 22-05-2012
Number of actual days of sitting	35
Actual Hours of sittings (<i>excluding recess intervals</i>)	164 Hrs. & 12 Mts.
Time lost due to interruptions/adjournments	22 Hrs. & 35 Mts.
Time made up by late sittings/skipping lunch recess	29 Hrs. & 39 Mts.
Date of prorogation of Session	28-05-2012
Questions	
No. of Starred Questions listed	660
No. of Starred Questions answered orally	103
No. of Unstarred Questions answered	5115
Short Notice Questions	12
Half-an-Hour Discussions	2
Government Bills	
No. of Bills introduced	5
No. of Bills withdrawn	-
No. of Bills passed/returned	22
No. of Bills referred to Select Committee	1
No. of Bills deferred	3
Private Members' Business	
No. of Bills introduced	26
No. of Bills part discussed (Under consideration)	1
No. of Bills withdrawn/negatived	2
No. of Resolution part discussed	1
No. of Resolution withdrawn/negatived	-

Oath/Affirmation	
No. of Members made and subscribed oath/affirmation	61
Statements by Ministers	
No. of <i>suo motu</i> Statements made/laid by Ministers	11
No. of Statements laid regarding Reports of Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committees	35
Matters of public importance raised	
No. of Calling Attentions	2
No. of Short Duration Discussions	3
No. of Special Mentions	204
No. of Matters raised with permission	115
Submission by Members	-
Papers Laid on the Table	2051
