

RAJYA SABHA

LIST OF BUSINESS

Monday, August 6, 2018

11 A.M.

PAPERS TO BE LAID ON THE TABLE

Following Ministers to lay papers on the Table, entered in the separate list:—

1. DR. MAHESH SHARMA for Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change;
2. COL. RAJYAVARDHAN SINGH RATHORE for Ministry of Information and Broadcasting;
3. SHRI ARJUN RAM MEGHWAL for Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation; and
4. SHRI MANSUKH MANDAVIYA for Ministry of Road Transport and Highways.

REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT RELATED PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE

SHRI NARESH GUJRAL
SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR GUPTA
SHRIMATI ROOPA GANGULY to present the 146th Report (in English and Hindi) of the Department Related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Commerce on 'Impact of Banking Misappropriation on Trade and Industry'.

REPORTS OF THE DEPARTMENT RELATED PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON FOOD, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

SHRI RIPUN BORA
SHRI VEER SINGH to lay on the Table, a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Reports of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Food, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution (2017-18):—

- (i) Twenty-second Report on Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in their Twentieth Report on 'Demands for Grants (2018-19)' (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) of the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution (Department of Food and Public Distribution); and

- (ii) Twenty-third Report on Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in their Twenty-first Report on 'Demands for Grants (2018-19)' (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) of the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution (Department of Consumer Affairs).

STATEMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT RELATED PARLIAMENTARY
STANDING COMMITTEE ON FOOD, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND
PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

SHRI RIPUN BORA

SHRI VEER SINGH to lay on the Table, a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the Final Action Taken Statements showing action taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in Chapter I and final replies in respect of Chapter V of the following Action Taken Reports (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Food, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution (2017-18):—

- (i) Seventeenth Action Taken Report on the subject 'Computerization of Targeted Public Distribution System' of Department of Food and Public Distribution relating to the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution (Department of Food and Public Distribution);
- (ii) Eighteenth Action Taken Report on 'Demands for Grants (2017-18)' (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) of the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution (Department of Food and Public Distribution); and
- (iii) Nineteenth Action Taken Report on 'Demands for Grants (2017-18)' (Sixteenth Lok Sabha) of the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution (Department of Consumer Affairs).

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

1. DR. HARSH VARDHAN to make a Statement regarding Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Three Hundred and Eleventh Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests on Demands for Grants (2018-19), pertaining to the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research (DSIR).

2. SHRI HARIBHAI PARTHIBHAI CHAUDHARY to make the following Statements regarding:—

- (i) Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Nineteenth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Coal and Steel on Demands for Grants (2016-17), pertaining to the Ministry of Mines; and
- (ii) Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Twenty-eighth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Coal and Steel on Demands for Grants (2017-18), pertaining to the Ministry of Mines.

#QUESTIONS

QUESTIONS entered in separate lists to be asked and answers given.

STATEMENT BY MINISTER CORRECTING ANSWER TO QUESTION

DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE to lay on the Table, a Statement (in English and Hindi) correcting the answer to Unstarred Question 487 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 23rd July, 2018, regarding 'Transfer of defence properties to the successors'.

SHORT DURATION DISCUSSION

SHRI AMIT ANIL CHANDRA SHAH
SHRI BHUPENDER YADAV
SHRI AMAR SHANKAR SABLE
SHRI PRASANNA ACHARYA
SHRI PRATAP KESHARI DEB
SHRI BHASKAR RAO NEKKANTI
PROF. MANOJ KUMAR JHA
SHRI BINOY VISWAM
SHRI V. VIJAYASAI REDDY

DR. ANIL JAIN to raise a discussion on the recent increase in Minimum Support Prices for *Kharif* crops and challenges in agricultural sector.

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

Bill returned by Lok Sabha with alternate amendments and further amendments

1. SHRI THAAWARCHAND GEHLOT to move that the following alternate amendments and further amendments made by Lok Sabha in the Constitution (One Hundred and Twenty-third Amendment) Bill, 2017, be taken into consideration, namely:—

@@The Constitution (One Hundred and Twenty-third Amendment) Bill, 2017

Insertion of new article 338B.	"That at pages 2 and 3, the following be <i>inserted</i> , namely:—
	'3. After article 338A of the Constitution, the following article shall be inserted, namely:—
National Commission for Backward Classes.	"338B. (1) There shall be a Commission for the socially and educationally backward classes to be known as the National Commission for Backward Classes.

At 12 Noon.

@ To be discussed together.

% The Bill was passed by Rajya Sabha with an amendment (without clause 3) at its sitting held on the 31st July, 2017 and transmitted to Lok Sabha for its concurrence. The Lok Sabha passed the Bill with alternate amendments and further amendments at its sitting held on the 2nd August, 2018.

(2) Subject to the provisions of any law made in this behalf by Parliament, the Commission shall consist of a Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and three other Members and the conditions of service and tenure of office of the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and other Members so appointed shall be such as the President may by rule determine.

(3) The Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and other Members of the Commission shall be appointed by the President by warrant under his hand and seal.

(4) The Commission shall have the power to regulate its own procedure.

(5) It shall be the duty of the Commission—

(a) to investigate and monitor all matters relating to the safeguards provided for the socially and educationally backward classes under this Constitution or under any other law for the time being in force or under any order of the Government and to evaluate the working of such safeguards;

(b) to inquire into specific complaints with respect to the deprivation of rights and safeguards of the socially and educationally backward classes;

(c) to participate and advise on the socio-economic development of the socially and educationally backward classes and to evaluate the progress of their development under the Union and any State;

(d) to present to the President, annually and at such other times as the Commission may deem fit, reports upon the working of those safeguards;

(e) to make in such reports the recommendations as to the measures that should be taken by the Union or any State for the effective implementation of those safeguards and other measures for the protection, welfare and socio-economic development of the socially and educationally backward classes; and

(f) to discharge such other functions in relation to the protection, welfare and development and advancement of the socially and educationally backward classes as the President may, subject to the provisions of any law made by Parliament, by rule specify.

(6) The President shall cause all such reports to be laid before each House of Parliament along with a memorandum explaining the action taken or proposed to be taken on the recommendations relating to the Union and the reasons for the non-acceptance, if any, of any of such recommendations.

(7) Where any such report, or any part thereof, relates to any matter with which any State Government is concerned, a copy of such report shall be forwarded to the State Government which shall cause it to be laid before the Legislature of the State along with a memorandum explaining the action taken or proposed to be taken on the recommendations relating to the State and the reasons for the non-acceptance, if any, of any of such recommendations.

(8) The Commission shall, while investigating any matter referred to in sub-clause (a) or inquiring into any complaint referred to in sub-clause (b) of clause (5), have all the powers of a civil court trying a suit and in particular in respect of the following matters, namely:—

- (a) summoning and enforcing the attendance of any person from any part of India and examining him on oath;
- (b) requiring the discovery and production of any document;
- (c) receiving evidence on affidavits;
- (d) requisitioning any public record or copy thereof from any court or office;
- (e) issuing commissions for the examination of witnesses and documents; and
- (f) any other matter which the President may, by rule, determine.

(9) The Union and every State Government shall consult the Commission on all major policy matters affecting socially and educationally backward classes."

ENACTING FORMULA

That at page 1, line 1,-

for " Sixty-eighth" substitute "Sixty-ninth"

CLAUSE 1

That at page 1, line 3,-

for "2017" substitute "2018" "

SHRI THAAWARCHAND GEHLOT to move that the Bill, as amended by the amendments agreed to, be passed.

Bills for consideration and passing

2. FURTHER CONSIDERATION of the following motion moved by Shri Thaawarchand Gehlot on the 31st July, 2017:—

@The National Commission for Backward Classes (Repeal) Bill, 2017.

"That the Bill to repeal the National Commission for Backward Classes Act, 1993, as passed by Lok Sabha, be taken into consideration."

SHRI THAAWARCHAND GEHLOT to move that the Bill be passed.

3. SHRI RAJNATH SINGH to move that the Bill further to amend the Indian Penal Code, Indian Evidence Act, 1872, the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 and the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012, as passed by Lok Sabha, be taken into consideration.

The Criminal Law (Amendment) Bill, 2018.

ALSO to move that the Bill be passed.

[@] To be discussed together.

*The Homoeopathy
Central Council
(Amendment) Bill,
2018.*

4. SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK to move that the Bill further to amend the Homoeopathy Central Council Act, 1973, as passed by Lok Sabha, be taken into consideration.

ALSO to move that the Bill be passed.

NEW DELHI;
August 3, 2018.

DESH DEEPAK VERMA,
Secretary-General.