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FAREWELL BY MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT TO SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE HON'BLE PRESIDENT OF INDIA

A ceremony to bid farewell to the Hon'ble President of India, Shri Pranab Mukherjee will be held on Sunday, the 23rd July, 2017 at 5.30 PM in the Central Hall, Parliament House. Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha will present a farewell address to the Hon'ble President of India on behalf of the Members of Parliament. A 'Memento' and a 'Signature Book' signed by the Members of Parliament will also be presented to the Hon'ble President of India. 'Signature Book' is being kept in the Central Hall from **Monday, 17 July, 2017 to Thursday, 20 July, 2017 from 1000 hours to 1800 hours** for signatures of Members of Parliament. Members are requested to sign the 'Signature Book'. The meeting will be followed by Tea in Courtyard 9 (adjoining Central Hall). Members are requested to kindly make it convenient to attend the ceremony and also join for the Tea.

**RESULTS OF BALLOTS OF NOTICES OF
STARRED AND UNSTARRED QUESTIONS**

Members are informed that ballots in respect of notices of Starred and Unstarred Questions received upto 1000 hrs. on 15th July, 2017 for the sitting of Lok Sabha to be held on **01st August, 2017** were held in the presence of **SHRI U.B.S NEGI, JOINT SECRETARY**, in Question Branch, Room No. 324, Parliament House Annexe, New Delhi. A total of 1913 notices were received and 303 Members participated in the ballots for the day.

2. The results of the ballots have been uploaded on the Homepage viz. loksabha.nic.in.
3. The Hard Copies of the ballots are also placed in Parliamentary Notice Office for the information of Members.

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Members are informed that ballots in respect of notices of Starred and Unstarred Questions received upto 1000 hrs. on 17th July, 2017 for the sitting of Lok Sabha to be held on **02nd August, 2017** were held in the presence of **SHRIMATI REKHA VERMA,MP** in Question Branch, Room No. 324, Parliament House Annexe, New Delhi. A total of 2081 notices were received and 317 Members participated in the ballots for the day.

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e-filing of Notices of Questions

As Members are aware, at present under the provisions of Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha, every notice is required to be given in writing and signed and the same should be submitted in Parliamentary Notice Office. As an initiative towards e-Parliament and paperless Secretariat, an e-portal for the benefit of Members has been launched on 17th July, 2016. The portal will offer several online services including submission of notices for various parliamentary devices in electronic form, online references, etc.

Members who wish to submit their notices of Questions online for the Twelfth Session may file their notices as intimated vide Bulletin Part-II Para No. 3739 dated 17th July, 2016. However, the Parliamentary Notice Office will continue to receive physical notices from Members who choose to submit the same.

Kind cooperation of Members is solicited

Correction of Speeches by Members

A computerized copy of every speech delivered or questions asked by Members on the floor of the House and answers given thereto on a day is supplied to them early next morning for confirmation and correction of inaccuracies, if any, which might have occurred in the process of reporting. ONLY minor corrections, namely, those in respect of grammatical errors, misreporting of quotations, figures, names etc. are permissible. Improvement of literary form or altering substance by additions, copious substitution or deletions will NOT be acceptable. Members (including Ministers) are, therefore, requested to make only the said permissible corrections IN INK neatly and legibly to ensure their correct incorporation in the final edited version of Debates.

Members are also requested to return to Editorial Branch a corrected transcript within the time limit indicated on the slip pasted thereon i.e. by 15.00 hours on the second working day. The slip pasted on the transcript should be signed by the member concerned by way of authentication.

Members are also informed that uncorrected debates are available on the Lok Sabha Website <http://loksabha.nic.in/> and they can make use of this facility for taking printouts and making corrections. The speeches so corrected by them may be signed and sent to Editorial Branch as per the time schedule suggested above for incorporating the same in the debates.

It will not be possible to accept corrections suggested beyond said permissible limits or indicated in pencil or not legible or received late.

As the proceedings are put on Lok Sabha Website, which is a time bound procedure, the above provisions will be followed strictly.

Kind co-operation of all members is solicited.

Permission for Reproduction of Material from Lok Sabha Debates

Kind attention of hon. Members is invited to Rule 379 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha which, *inter alia*, states that full report of the proceedings of the House would be published under the directions of the Speaker. Similarly, Rule 382 (1) provides that the Speaker may authorize printing, publication, distribution and sale of any paper, document or report in connection with the business of the House. The copyright of Lok Sabha Debates vests in the Hon. Speaker. As such permission of Hon. Speaker is required for reproduction of any material from the Lok Sabha Debates under the Copyright Act.

Hon. Members are requested that they may seek prior permission of the Hon. Speaker whenever they intend to publish any material from the Lok Sabha Debates. Editorial Branch of the Secretariat processes the cases relating to the grant of permission for reproduction of material from Lok Sabha Debates.

Kind co-operation of the members is solicited.

Constituent Assembly Debates (English Versions)

Members are informed that new reprinted sets of Constituent Assembly Debates are available in English. This English Version set is in the form of five Books (Book Nos. 1 to 5).

Only a complete set of these Debates can be purchased. Debate(s) of particular day(s) is/are not available for sale. The price of one set of C.A. Debates is Rs. 4000/-. However, a rebate of 25 per cent will be allowed to Members of Parliament on purchase of only one set each for his/her personal use.

These sets are available for sale at the Sales Counter, Lok Sabha Secretariat, Reception Office, Parliament House, New Delhi.

Unparliamentary Expressions

Members are informed that a publication titled 'Unparliamentary Expressions' (2009) is available on sale.

It contains references to words and expressions declared unparliamentary in the Central Legislative Assembly, Constituent Assembly of India (Legislative), Provisional Parliament, First to Fourteenth Lok Sabhas (1952 to Feb. 2009), Rajya Sabha, State Legislatures in India and some of the Commonwealth Parliaments including the British House of Commons.

The compilation has been divided into two parts. Part-I contains words and Expressions in English, while Part-II contains Words and Expressions in Hindi and Hindi/English Translations of words and expressions received in other languages.

The compilation is priced at Rs. 1700/-. However, a rebate of 25 per cent will be allowed to Members of Parliament on purchase of only one copy each for his/her personal use. The publication is available for sale at the Sales Counter, Lok Sabha Secretariat, Reception Office, Parliament House, New Delhi.

**SIMULTANEOUS INTERPRETATION
FACILITY IN LOK SABHA**

As per Direction 115B of the Directions by the Speaker, Lok Sabha, a Member may make a speech in any of the following other Indian languages provided the member gives a notice to that effect at least half-an-hour in advance to the officer at the Table in order to enable the Interpreter concerned to take position in the Interpreters' Booth:

1. Assamese
2. Bengali
3. Bodo
4. Gujarati
5. Kannada
6. Maithili
7. Malayalam
8. Manipuri
9. Marathi
10. Nepali
11. Odia
12. Punjabi
13. Sanskrit
14. Tamil
15. Telugu
16. Urdu

A Member or Members (not more than two) in whose name(s) a question appears in the list of Starred Questions may ask supplementaries in any of the aforesaid other Indian languages provided an advance notice in this regard is given before 3 PM on the working day preceding the day on which the question is listed for oral answer.

**Suggestions invited from the Hon'ble Members for addition of Books,
Reports, Publications, etc. to the Parliament Library**

Hon'ble Members are requested to kindly give suggestions for addition of important and valuable Books, Reports, Publications, etc. in English, Hindi and Regional languages in the Parliament Library. Suggestions for addition of books, reports, publications, etc. may be addressed to the Additional Director, Parliament Library (Room No. - G 041, A-Block, Parliament Library Building) and submitted at the Member's Assistance Counter / Book Circulation Counter in Parliament Library Building, or at the Reference Desk in Parliament House.

As an initiative towards e-Parliament and Paperless Secretariat, an e-Portal for benefits of Members has been launched on 17 July, 2016. The portal offers several online services including online references, etc.

Members who wish to send their reference requisitions online can accordingly do so, and they will receive their desired information from e-resources in the Inbox of the e-Portal. With a view to enabling the staff of the Reference Division to render prompt and quality service, Members are requested to restrict their online/offline reference requisitions to subjects having a bearing on the day-to-day business before Parliament. The number of reference requests (online or offline) may kindly be restricted to a maximum of three at a time.

The Members' Reference Service (LARRDIS) will continue to receive requests from members by hand (offline) also who choose to opt for the same. For this, members are requested to fill in the requisition slips available at the Members' Information Desks – one located in the Parliament House and the other located in the Members' Reading Room in Parliament Library Building. Reference requests may also be conveyed to the Members' Reference Service on Tel. No. – 23034652 and through Fax No. 23017517.

Kind co-operation of Members is solicited.

VCDs/DVDs OF LOK SABHA PROCEEDINGS ON PAYMENT BASIS.

Members are aware that proceedings in Lok Sabha are being televised 'Live' and recorded by the Lok Sabha Television Channel (LSTV). Video recordings are preserved by the Audio Visual and Telecasting Unit of the Secretariat for archival purposes. Facilities for providing the copies of Lok Sabha proceedings in DVD (Digital Video Discs) of 2-hours durations are available on payment of Rs. 100/- per copy.

2. Members who desire to have copies of their speeches/participations in Lok Sabha proceedings may send their requests indicating the date(s), time and subject(s) of their participation to the Deputy Director (A.V. Unit), Room No. G-140, Parliament Library Building, Phone Nos. 23034505, 23035347.

**VIEWING RECORDINGS OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS AND
OTHER FUNCTIONS**

Recordings of the proceedings of Lok Sabha and films on parliamentary practices and procedures, available in the Audio Visual and Telecasting Unit, can be viewed on TV monitors in room no. G-140 (Ground Floor), Parliament Library Building from 10.30 a.m. to 6 p.m. on all working days. Recordings of the International Parliamentary Conferences and Seminars and other parliamentary functions held in India are also available for viewing. In addition, Language Courses (Audio and Video cassettes) for learning Indian and foreign languages and audio cassettes of classical instrumental music and patriotic songs are also available for listening/viewing.

2. Members interested in listening/viewing these audio-video collections may visit the Audio Visual and Telecasting Unit Room No. G-140, Parliament Library Building, Phone Nos. 23034505, 23035347.

**Deposit of archival/historical material in Parliament Museum & Archives and
Archival books and Photographs available in Parliamentary
Museum & Archives**

The Parliamentary Museum & Archives undertakes acquisition, storage and preservation of precious records, historical documents and articles connected with the origin, growth and functioning of parliamentary institutions and the Constitution in India. It is felt that these objects, which are part of our national heritage are collected, scientifically treated and preserved for the benefit of posterity.

Members are requested to consider depositing material which they have in their possession like *Private correspondence, Notes, Articles, Records, Manuscripts, Speeches, Memoirs, Diaries, Relics, Art pieces, Mementos, Personal belongings and collections, Paintings, Photographs or any other material of archival/historical value connected with their career and activities as Parliamentarians and freedom fighters*, in the **Parliamentary Museum & Archives, FB-094, Parliament Library Building (Tel. No. 23034131, 23034017, Fax No. 23035326)** for permanent preservation and display. The material will enrich the Parliamentary Museum & Archives and be useful for research work. If desired, the material received would be returned after making necessary copies. Any secretarial assistance in sorting out and listing the material will be made available to them.

The Parliamentary Museum and Archives have 724 books on Members of Parliament. Members who are desirous of consulting these books may contact the PMA.

The Photo Archives too has a collection of 19,000 Photographs of Members of Parliament from First to 15th Lok Sabha. All these Photographs have been digitized and can be retrieved with a click of mouse with help of keywords through software available in the branch.

Attendance Register of Members

Section 3 of the *Salary, Allowances and Pension of Members of Parliament Act, 1954* (as amended by Act. No. 40 of 2006 and Act. No.37 of 2010) relating to 'Salary and daily allowances' provides as follows: -

“3. Salaries and Daily Allowances. – A member shall be entitled to receive a salary, at the rate of **fifty thousand** rupees per mensem during the whole of his term of office and subject to any rules made under this Act an allowance at the rate of **two thousand** rupees for each day during any period of residence on duty:

Provided that no member shall be entitled to the aforesaid allowance unless he signs the register, maintained for this purpose by the Secretariat of the House of People or, as the case may be, Council of States, on all the days (except intervening holidays for which no such signing is required) of the session of the House for which the allowance is claimed”.

2. For the convenience of members, the Attendance Register, split into four parts, is kept on separate rostrums in the Inner Lobby for signature of members.

3. In view of the provisions of section 3 of the *Salary, Allowances and Pension of Members of Parliament Act, 1954*, quoted in para 1 above, members are requested to sign in ink, in the space provided against their names in the Attendance Register and as per the specimen signatures furnished to the Lok Sabha Secretariat.

Turning off the head phones in Lok Sabha Chamber by members

The volume of the headphones provided at the seats of members in the House, if not turned down when not in use, create disturbance in the House, as the voice of the member who is speaking in the House or that of the Interpreter who is translating the member's speech, is also simultaneously heard through them. With a view to improving the audibility of speeches in the House and to prevent such disturbance, members are requested to turn down the volume of their headphones to the minimum using the volume push button immediately after use.

Rules to be observed by members

Attention of members is invited to Rule 349 of the *Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha* regarding Parliamentary customs and conventions to be observed by members. Particular attention is invited to sub-rule (xvi) of the Rule wherein members are requested **not to display flags, emblems or any exhibits (including PLACARDS) in the House.**

Kind co-operation of Members is solicited.

Operation of Automatic Vote Recording System

The procedure for operating the Automatic Vote recording system installed in the Lok Sabha Chamber is as follows :-

1. Before a Division starts, every Hon'ble Member should occupy his or her own seat and operate the system from that seat only.
2. When the Hon'ble Speaker says "Now Division", the Secretary-General will activate the voting button whereupon "**RED BULBS**" above individual result display boards on both sides of Hon'ble Speaker's Chair will glow and a **GONG** sound will be heard simultaneously.
3. For voting, Hon'ble Members may please press the following two buttons simultaneously "**ONLY**" after the sound of the **GONG**; **repeat** only after the sound of the **GONG** :-

Red "VOTE" button in front of every Hon'ble Member **on the Head phone plate**

and

Any one of the following buttons fixed on the top of desk of seat:

Ayes : Green Colour

Noes : Red Colour

Abstain : Yellow Colour

4. It is essential to keep both the buttons pressed till another **GONG** is heard and the **Red BULBS** above individual result display boards are "**OFF**".
5. Hon'ble Members may please note that their votes will not be registered:
 - (i) If buttons are kept pressed **before** the first **GONG**; or

- (ii) Both buttons are not kept simultaneously pressed till the second **GONG**.

- 6. Hon'ble Members can actually "**SEE**" their vote on individual result display boards installed on either side of Hon'ble Speaker's Chair and on the LED screens fixed on parapet on either sides of the Public gallery.

- 7. In case vote is not registered, they may call for voting through slips.

Corrections in Votes recorded by members by operating the Automatic Vote Recording System

A member who is not able to record his/her vote by pressing the button due to any reason considered sufficient may, with the permission of the Chair, have his/her vote recorded before the result of the Division is announced. If a member finds that he/she has by mistake voted incorrectly by pressing the wrong button or voted from a wrong seat, he/she may be allowed to correct his/her mistake, provided he/she brings it to the notice of the Chair before the result of the Division is announced.

For effecting correction in the votes recorded by operating the Automatic Vote Recording System, the following correction slips are available: -

- (i) SLIP FOR CORRECTING VOTE RECORDED FROM A WRONG SEAT – This slip is printed on white paper and is to be used by a member who has recorded his/her vote from a wrong seat (*i.e.* seat allotted to another member).
- (ii) SLIP FOR RECORDING VOTE FOR ‘AYE’ – This slip is printed on cream paper and is to be used by a member for recording vote for ‘Aye’ in case the vote has not been recorded by the machine or for correcting the vote from ‘No’ or ‘Abstain’ to ‘Aye’, as the case may be.
- (iii) SLIP FOR RECORDING VOTE FOR ‘NO’ – This slip is printed on pink paper and is to be used by a member for recording the vote for

‘No’ in case the vote has not been recorded by the machine or for correcting the vote from ‘Aye’ or ‘Abstain’ to ‘No’, as the case may be.

- (iv) **SLIP FOR RECORDING ABSTENTION** – This slip is printed on yellow paper and is to be used by a member for recording ‘Abstain’ in case the vote has not been recorded by the machine or for correcting the vote from ‘Aye’ or ‘No’ to ‘Abstain’, as the case may be.

These slips have been printed in English on one side and Hindi on the reverse.

Immediately after votes have been recorded by the machine and flashed on the Individual Result Display Boards, a member who has voted from a wrong seat, or whose vote has not been recorded by the machine, or who has by mistake voted incorrectly and desires correction in the results as flashed on the Individual Result Display Boards, should rise in his/her seat whereupon a Division Clerk will hand over to him/her one of the four slips, as the member may ask for.

The member concerned should make sure as to whether the mistake in recording the vote of his/her choice has actually occurred by referring to the Individual Result Display Board. In case of doubt, the member should consult the Officer at the Table.

The member desiring a correction to be made should fill in the requisite correction slip precisely and completely in all respects and then hand it over,

without any delay, to the Division Clerk. While filling in the correction slip, the portions of the correction slip which are not applicable should be struck off clearly.

Kind co-operation of members is solicited.

Parliamentary Customs, Conventions and Etiquette

Attention of members is invited to paragraphs 42 and 43 (pages 79 – 87) of the *Handbook for Members (16th edition)* regarding Parliamentary Customs and Conventions and Parliamentary Etiquette required to be observed by members. Particular attention is invited to the following: -

42. Parliamentary Customs and Conventions

X X X

- (16) The decorum and the seriousness of the proceedings of the House require that no member should shout slogans of any kind or sit on *dharna* in the pit of the House or stand up on the seat.

X X X

- (19) Rulings given by the Chair should not be criticised directly or indirectly inside or outside the House.

X X X

- (23) **Display of placards/exhibits on the floor of the House is not in order.**

X X X

43. Parliamentary Etiquette

X X X

- (6) A member should keep to her/his usual seat while addressing the House;

X X X

- (11) **A member should not sit or stand with her/his back towards the Chair;**

- (12) **A member should not approach the Chair personally in the House. She/he may send chits to the Officers at the Table, if necessary;**

X X X

- (16) A member should not leave the House immediately after delivering her/his speech; **courtesy** to the House requires that after finishing their speeches members resume their seats and leave the House only afterwards, if necessary;

X X X

- (23) **Members should not stand in the passage of the Chamber. They should either sit down or go out;**

- (24) **A member should not “cross the floor” when the House is sitting – that is, she/he should not pass between the Chair and the member who is speaking;**

X X X

- (28) **Two members should not keep standing in the House at the same time;**

- (29) A member while speaking should not –

X X X

- (ii) make personal reference by way of making an allegation imputing a motive to or questioning the *bona fides* of any other member of the House unless it be imperatively necessary for the purpose of debate being itself a matter in issue or relevant thereto;

X X X

- (viii) use her/his right of speech for the purpose of obstructing the business of the House;

- (ix) make any reference to the strangers in any of the galleries;

(x) refer to Government officials by name;

X X X

(31) Every member should resume her/his seat as soon as the Speaker rises to speak, or calls out “Order” and also when any other member is in possession of the floor (*i.e.* speaking with the permission of the Chair) or has interposed in the course of the debate to raise a point of order;

X X X

(34) No member is to argue with another member when the latter is speaking. She/he may, however, ask through the Chair questions with a view to obtaining information from the member who is speaking. But a member who is addressing the House with the permission of the Chair should not be interrupted by another member persistently. It is open to the former not to give way but to go on with her/his speech if the interruption is not for raising a point of order;

X X X

(37) It is not in order for members other than Ministers to consult officials in the Official Gallery from inside the House.’

Kind co-operation of members is solicited.

Withdrawal and Suspension of members

Attention of the members is specifically invited to the provisions of Rule 373, 374 and 374A of the *Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha* regarding withdrawal and suspension of members, respectively. The Rules read as under: -

“373. The Speaker, if is of the opinion that the conduct of any member is grossly disorderly, may direct such member to withdraw immediately from the House, and any member so ordered to withdraw shall do so forthwith and shall remain absent during the remainder of the day’s sitting.

374. (1) The Speaker may, if deems it necessary, name a member who disregards the authority of the Chair or abuses the rules of the House by persistently and wilfully obstructing the business thereof.

(2) If a member is so named by the Speaker, the Speaker shall, on a motion being made forthwith put the question that the member (naming such member) be suspended from the service of the House for a period not exceeding the remainder of the session:

Provided that the House may, at any time, on a motion being made, resolve that such suspension be terminated.

(3) A member suspended under this rule shall forthwith withdraw from the precincts of the House.

374A. (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in rules 373 and 374, in the event of grave disorder occasioned by a member coming into the well of the House or abusing the Rules of the House persistently and wilfully obstructing its business by shouting slogans or otherwise, such member shall, on being named by the Speaker, stand automatically suspended from the service of the House for five consecutive sittings or the remainder of the session, whichever is less:

Provided that the House may, at any time, on a motion being made, resolve that such suspension be terminated.

(2) On the Speaker announcing the suspension under this rule, the member shall forthwith withdraw from the precincts of the House.”