

# Activities of the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs

during 2018-19

(January to December 2018)

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1. Though small in size, the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs is one of the key Ministries of the Union Government. The task of efficiently handling diverse and enormous parliamentary work on behalf of the Government in the Parliament has been assigned to the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs. As such, the Ministry serves as an important interface between the two Houses of Parliament and the Government in respect of Government Business in Parliament. Created in May 1949, as a Department entrusted mainly with the above function, it is now a full-fledged Ministry.

2. The functions assigned to the Ministry under the Government of India (Allocation of Business) Rules, 1961, framed under Article 77(3) of the Constitution of India are in the Appendix.

3. On the administrative side, the Ministry is headed by a Secretary who is assisted by one Joint Secretary, one Director, three Deputy Secretaries and eight Under Secretaries.

4. The Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs functions under the charge of a Cabinet Minister assisted by two Ministers of State. The details of Cabinet Minister/Ministers of State are as under: -

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|---|-------------------------------|
| 1. Shri Ananthkumar,<br>Cabinet Minister                    | From 05.07.2016 to 12.11.2018 |
| 2. Shri Narendra Singh Tomar,<br>Cabinet Minister           | From 12.11.2018 onwards       |
| 3. Shri Vijay Goel,<br>Minister of State (Rajya Sabha)      | From 03.09.2017 onwards       |
| 4. Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal,<br>Minister of State (Lok Sabha) | From 03.09.2017 onwards       |



## Summoning and Prorogation of both Houses of Parliament

5. Article 85 of the Constitution empowers the President to summon each House of Parliament to meet at such time and place as he thinks fit and from time to time, prorogue the Houses or either House or dissolve the House of People ( Lok Sabha ). During the period under Report, three Sessions of the Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha were held:-

### LOK SABHA

Date(s) of

Session	Duration	Adjournment Sine-die	Prorogation	Sittings
14 <sup>th</sup>	29.01.2018 to 06.04. 2018	06.04. 2018	06.04.2018	29
15 <sup>th</sup>	18.07.2018 to 10.08.2018	10.08.2018	13.08.2018	17
16 <sup>th</sup>	11.12.2018 to 08.01.2019	08.01.2019	10.01 2019	17

### RAJYA SABHA

Date(s) of

Session	Duration	Adjournment Sine-die	Prorogation	Sittings
245 <sup>th</sup>	29.01.2018 to 06.04. 2018	06.04. 2018	06.04.2018	30
246 <sup>th</sup>	18.07.2018 to 10.08.2018	10.08.2018	14.08.2018	17
247 <sup>th</sup>	11.12.2018 to 09.01.2019	09.01.2019	10.01 2019	18

## Motion of Thanks on President's Address

6. Article 87(1) enjoins upon the President to address both Houses of Parliament assembled together at the commencement of the first session after each General Election and also at the commencement of the first session of each calendar year.

7. The date of the delivery of the Address by the President, name of mover and seconder of Motion of Thanks and the time taken on the discussion on the Address during 2018 are as under:-

FOURTEENTH SESSION OF SIXTEENTH LOK SABHA		
Date of delivery of the President's Address	Name of Mover and Secunder of Motion of Thanks	Date(s) of discussion
29 <sup>th</sup> January, 2018	Shri Rakesh Singh (Mover) Shri Pralhad Vankatesh Joshi (Secunder)	February 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> 2018. (Adopted)
245 <sup>th</sup> SESSION OF RAJYA SABHA		
29 <sup>th</sup> January, 2018	Shri Amit Anil Chandra Shah (Mover) Dr. Vinay P. Sahasrabuddhe (Secunder)	February 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> 2018. (Adopted)

## Ordinances

8. During the period from 1.1.2018 to 08.01.2019, **9 Ordinances** were promulgated. A copy each of the Ordinances was laid in English and Hindi versions on the Table of the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha by the Ministers of State for Parliamentary Affairs. A statement indicating various details regarding their dates of promulgation, laying, replacement by Acts of Parliament etc. are given below:-

Sl. No.	Title of the Ordinance & Date of promulgation	Date of laying		Introduction of Bill replacing the Ordinance	Date of consideration & passing of the Bill		Date of Assent and Act No.
		Lok Sabha	Rajya Sabha		Lok Sabha	Rajya Sabha	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	The Fugitive Economic Offenders Ordinance, 2018 (No. 1 of 2018)	18.07.18	18.07.18	12.03.2018 (LS)	19.07.2018	25.07.2018	<u>17 of 2018</u> 31.07.2018
2	The Criminal Law (Amendment) Ordinance, 2018 (No. 2 of 2018)	18.07.18	18.07.18	23.07.2018 (LS)	30.07.2018	06.08.2018	<u>22 of 2018</u> 11.08.2018
3	The Commercial Courts, Commercial Division and Commercial Appellate Division of High Courts (Amendment) Ordinance, 2018 (No.3 of 2018)	18.07.18	18.07.18	23.07.2018 (LS)	01.08.2018	10.08.2018	<u>28 of 2018</u> 20.08.2018
4	The Homoeopathy Central Council (Amendment) Ordinance, 2018 (No.4 of 2018)	18.07.18	18.07.18	23.07.2018 (LS)	30.07.2018	09.08.2018	<u>23 of 2018</u> 13.08.2018
5	The National Sports University Ordinance, 2018 (No. 5 of 2018)	18.07.18	18.07.18	23.07.2018 (LS)	03.08.2018	09.08.2018	<u>25 of 2018</u> 17.08.2018
6	The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (Amendment) Ordinance, 2018 (No. 6 of 2018)	18.07.18	18.07.18	23.07.2018 (LS)	31.07.2018	10.08.2018	<u>26 of 2018</u> 17.08.2018
7	The Muslim Women (Protection of Rights on Marriage) Ordinance, 2018 (No. 7 of 2018)	11.12.18	11.12.18	17.12.2018 (LS)	27.12.2018	--	--
8	The Indian Medical Council (Amendment) Ordinance, 2018 (No. 8 of 2018).	11.12.18	11.12.18	14.12.2018 (LS)	31.12.2018	08.01.2019 (discussion inconclusive)	--
9	The Companies (Amendment) Ordinance, 2018 (No. 9 of 2018)	11.12.18	11.12.18	20.12.2018 (LS)	04.01.2019	--	--

### \* Amendments agreed to by Lok Sabha

The ordinances at Sl. Nos. 7, 8 and 9 lapsed as they could not be replaced by Acts of Parliament within the stipulated period in terms of article 123(2) (a) of the Constitution and these Ordinances have, therefore, been re-promulgated.

## **Legislative Business**

9. A total of 67 Bills (28 Bills in the Lok Sabha and 39 Bills in the Rajya Sabha) were pending at the conclusion of 13<sup>th</sup> session of 16<sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha and 244<sup>th</sup> Session of Rajya Sabha. 44 Bills (38 Bills in the Lok Sabha and 6 Bills in the Rajya Sabha) were introduced in two Houses during the period under report, making a total of 111 Bills. Out of these, both Houses of Parliament passed 29 Bills during the year 2018. 3 Bills were withdrawn in the Lok Sabha and 5 Bills were withdrawn in the Rajya Sabha. This leaves a total of 74 (25 Bills in the Lok Sabha and 49 Bills in the Rajya Sabha) pending in both the Houses of Parliament as on 08.01.2019.

## **Financial Business**

10. The Union Budget for 2018-19 was presented to the Lok Sabha on 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2018. General Discussions on Union Budget were held in both the Houses. The Lok Sabha also discussed and voted the Demands for Grants 2018-19 and Supplementary Demands for Grants 2017-18 and 2018-19 relating to Union Budget and Demands for Excess Grants 2015-16 relating to Union Budget.

## **Government Statutory Resolution adopted**

11. During the year 2018, the two Houses considered and adopted the statutory resolution regarding Proclamation issued by the President on 19.12.2018 under article 356 of the Constitution in relation to the State of Jammu and Kashmir.

## **Discussions**

12. In the Lok Sabha, 3 Short Duration Discussions under Rule 193 and in the Rajya Sabha 2 Short Duration Discussions under Rule 176 were held. In addition 1 half-an-hour discussion in the Lok Sabha and 2 Calling Attentions in the Rajya Sabha were also taken up.

## **Consultative Committees**

13. At present there are thirty four Consultative Committees attached to various Ministries/Departments.

## **Meetings**

14. Consultative Committees of Members of Parliament attached to various Ministries/Departments held 69 meetings including 15 meetings outside Delhi.

## **Nomination of Members of Parliament on various Government Bodies**

15. Minister of Parliamentary Affairs nominated 10 Members of Parliament (4 Lok Sabha and 6 Rajya Sabha) on Hindi Salaahkar Samitis constituted for various Ministries/Departments.

## **Matters under Rule 377 (Lok Sabha) and Special Mentions (Rajya Sabha)**

16. The Ministry takes follow-up action on the matters raised in Lok Sabha under Rule 377 and Special Mention made under Rule 180 A-E in Rajya Sabha. The Ministries concerned with the matters raised under these provisions in the two Houses are expected to take action thereon and communicate the same to the members concerned under intimation to the concerned Parliament Secretariat and the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs within a period of one month from the date on which a matter is raised in the House. With a view to ensure expeditious disposal of these matters, the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs periodically reviews such matters raised in the two Houses and sends reminders to Ministries concerned at the level of Minister/Secretary.

17. At the end of the year 2017, 556 matters were pending in Lok Sabha and 109 matters were pending in Rajya Sabha. During the period from 1.1.2018 to 09.01.2019, 928 matters were raised in Lok Sabha and 130 matters were raised in Rajya Sabha. As per intimations received in this Ministry, replies in respect of 163 Lok Sabha matters have been sent to the Members concerned leaving a pendency of 1321 matters as on 08.01.2019. As regards the Rajya Sabha, replies in respect of 13 Special mentions have been sent to the Members concerned leaving a pendency of 226 matters as on 09.01.2019.

### **Implementation of Government Assurances**

18. While replying to questions or supplementary thereon or during discussion on Bills, Resolutions, Motions in Parliament, at times, Ministers give assurances, for taking certain action or furnishing the required information. The Government is obliged to fulfill these assurances and present a Report to the respective Houses. Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs is the coordinating agency to ensure that the Ministries fulfill their assurances in time.

### **General Procedure**

19. The Ministry extracts from the daily proceedings of both Houses, assurances given by Ministers and forward the same to the Ministries/Departments concerned for taking necessary action thereon. There is a set of expressions for each House which constitute an assurance. These expressions are illustrative and not exhaustive. While treating statement of Minister as an assurance, due consideration is given to the context in which it has been made and whether it is capable of being fulfilled within a reasonable time frame.

20. All assurances given are required to be fulfilled within a period of three months. Where delay is anticipated by the Ministry on account of some genuine difficulties in fulfilling an assurance or they do not find it feasible to fulfill an assurance for any valid reason, the Ministries/Departments request Lok Sabha/Rajya Sabha Secretariats direct for extension of time or dropping of an assurance as the case may be, under intimation to this Ministry.

21. The Implementation Reports received from administrative ministries concerned in fulfillment of assurances are laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha as the case may be by the Minister/Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs. After the laying of Implementation Reports, copies of the Reports laid are supplied to the Members concerned and are also kept in the Parliament Library. The concerned Ministries/Depts. are also informed about the laying of the Implementation Reports.

22. During the period under report, 415 assurances were given in Lok Sabha. Out of which 120 were laid on the Table of the House, 31 were dropped by the Committee on Government Assurances (CGA), Lok Sabha and remaining 264 were pending by the end of the year. Apart from this, Implementation Reports (IRs) in respect of 945 assurances (including 6 part IRs), pertaining to previous years were also laid on the Table of the House. Similarly, out of the total 369 assurances given in Rajya Sabha during the period under report, 91 (including 1 Part IRs) were laid on the Table of the House, 64 were dropped by the CGA, Rajya Sabha and remaining 215 were pending by the end of the year. Apart from this, Implementation Reports in respect of 446 assurances (including 34 part), pertaining to previous years were also laid on the Table of the House.

### Action to Clear Pending Assurances

23. The Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs has been vigorously pursuing with all the Ministries/Departments concerned for ensuring early implementation of the pending assurances given to Parliament. Periodic reviews are undertaken and the Ministries/Departments are reminded to expedite implementation of the assurances. As a result of the drive conducted by this Ministry, there has been a marked improvement in the pace of implementation of Assurances. A new website was also launched for efficient monitoring <https://oams.nic.in/>



### Report of the Committee on Government Assurances

24. The Committee on Government Assurances, Lok Sabha presented its 67<sup>th</sup>, 68<sup>th</sup>, 69<sup>th</sup>, 70<sup>th</sup>, 71<sup>st</sup> and 72<sup>nd</sup> reports on 04.01.2018, 73<sup>rd</sup>, 74<sup>th</sup>, 75<sup>th</sup>, and 76<sup>th</sup> reports on 05.04.2018 and 78<sup>th</sup>, 79<sup>th</sup>, 80<sup>th</sup>, 81<sup>st</sup>, and 82<sup>nd</sup> reports on 09.08.2018 to the Lok Sabha. Similarly the Committee on Government Assurances, Rajya Sabha presented its 72<sup>nd</sup> report on 31st December, 2018 to the Rajya Sabha.

### Youth Parliament Competitions

25. With a view to strengthening roots of democracy and inculcating habits of discipline and tolerance and for enabling the student community to have intimate knowledge of the working of Parliament, the Ministry conducts Youth Parliament Competitions in the schools of the Government

of National Capital Territory of Delhi; Kendriya Vidyalayas; Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas and Universities / Colleges all over the Country.

26. Orientation Courses for the benefit of teachers in-charge of the Youth Parliament Competition are conducted by the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs. During the year, Orientation Courses in respect of four Youth Parliament Competition Schemes were held at – (i) New Delhi for Schools under Directorate of Education, Govt. of NCT of Delhi / NDMC (ii) Kolkata, Jaipur, Chennai, Bhopal & Dehradun for Kendriya Vidyalayas (iii) Goa & Udaipur for Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas and (iv) Mahabaleshwar for Universities / Colleges.

27. During the year 2018 - 19, evaluation of 53<sup>rd</sup> Youth Parliament Competition of Delhi Schools, 31<sup>st</sup> National Youth Parliament Competition for Kendriya Vidyalayas & 22<sup>nd</sup> National Youth Parliament Competition for Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas have been completed.

28. The Prize Distribution Functions for Youth Parliament Competitions were organized on 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 in respect of Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas, 12<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 in respect of Kendriya Vidyalayas, 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 in respect of Universities / Colleges & 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 2018 in respect of Delhi Schools.



29. The Youth Parliament Competitions are also being organized by States/UTs. The Ministry provides financial assistance to States/UTs for organizing Youth Parliament Competitions. During the year 2018, financial assistance were given to the States of Madhya Pradesh for the year 2016-17 (Rs 5,00,000) and Haryana for the year 2016-17 (Rs 3,00,000).

### **All India Whips Conference**

30. 18th All India Whips conference was organised on 8-9 January, 2018 at Udaipur, Rajasthan.



### **Salaries and Allowances of Officers of Parliament Act, 1953**

31. Amendments to the Salaries and Allowances of Officers of Parliament Act, 1953 has been carried out through the The Finance Act, 2018, according to which the salary of the Hon'ble Chairman, Rajya Sabha has been increased from Rs. 1.25 lacs per month to Rs. 4 lacs per month.

### **Salary Allowances and Pension of Members of Parliament Act 1954 and the Rules made thereunder**

32. Amendments to the Salaries and Allowances and Pension of Members of Parliament Act, 1954 have been carried out through the The Finance Act, 2018, according to which the salary of Members of Parliament has been increased from Rs.50,000/- per month to Rs.100,000/- per month. The Pension of Ex-MPs has been raised from Rs.20,000/- per month to Rs.25,000/- per month and additional pension of Rs.15,00/- per month has also been increased to Rs.2,000/- per month for every year served in excess of five years.

33. Union Cabinet in its meeting held on 28.2.2018 has approved the proposal of this Ministry to amend (i) The Housing and Telephone Facilities (Members of Parliament) Rules, 1956 (ii) The Members of Parliament (Constituency Allowance) Rules, 1986 (iii) The Members of Parliament (Office Expense Allowance) Rules, 1988.

34. Gazette Notifications giving effect to the above amendments in the relevant Acts have been issued by Ministry of Law and Justice vide the Finance Act, 2018 (13 of 2018) dated 29th March, 2018. The relevant Rules under the Act incorporating the changes as mentioned in para 4 above have been notified by the respective Secretariat of Parliament by Gazette Notifications dated 28th March, 2018.

### **Exchange of Government Sponsored Delegation of Parliamentarians**

35. In the continuously and rapidly changing international scenario, the need to project and propagate our national policies, programme and problems in the proper perspective among various countries as well as understand their view points was being felt for a long time. The Parliamentarians

of a country play a significant role in determining the policies of the country and strengthening of relations with other countries. With this in view the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs has been sponsoring the visit of Indian Goodwill Delegation of Parliamentarians to various countries. The Ministry has also been receiving such delegations from other countries.

### **Visit of Government Sponsored Delegation of MPs to foreign countries**

36. During the period one Goodwill Delegation of Parliamentarian consisting of Leaders, Chief Whips and Members of Parliament of various major political in both Houses of Parliament led by Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal, Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs and Minister of State in the Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation visited Italy and Germany during 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 to 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2018.



### **Visit of Members of Parliament to foreign countries**

37. During the period under report, 12 Members of Parliament (6 Members of Rajya Sabha and 6 Members of Lok Sabha) informed this Ministry about their private/study visits to foreign countries. Requisite assistance, on demand, was extended to them through the Ministry of External Affairs and our Missions abroad.

### **Permission/clearance to State Governments for Foreign Visits.**

38. As per Cabinet Secretariat's guidelines (O.M. No. 21/1/7/94- Cab. Dated 30.03.1995) the State Governments are required to seek/obtain clearance of the Central Administrative Ministry concerned with the subject matter, of the official visits abroad.

39. During the period under report, the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs issued clearance/no objection to the dignitaries from the Government of Gujarat in respect of Government Sponsored Delegations visiting abroad.

## **Welfare of Members of Parliament**

40. In order to look after the needs of ailing Members of Parliament admitted for treatment in Hospitals, arrangements have been made with the leading Hospitals in Delhi to obtain day-to-day information by telephone regarding health condition of the ailing Members. The officers of this Ministry pay visits to the Hospitals to enquire about the health condition of the Members and to render any assistance required by them. The Minister/Ministers of State for Parliamentary Affairs and senior officers also make courtesy calls on the ailing Members admitted in Hospitals as and when required.

41. The Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs makes available the bilingual information of ailing Members of Parliament admitted in various Hospitals in Delhi on its website <http://www.mpa.gov.in> on daily basis.

## **Liaison with Leaders of various parties/groups in Parliament**

42. One of the vital functions allotted to this Ministry under the Government of India (Allocation of Business) Rules, 1961 is liaison with Leaders and Whips of various Political Parties and Groups represented in Parliament. Protocol and Welfare Section makes necessary arrangements/co-ordinates the meetings of Leaders of various Political Parties/Groups in Parliament convened by the Hon'ble Prime Minister and other Union Ministers in order to evolve consensus on important national and international issues. During the period under report following meetings were convened, as per details, indicated below:


S. No.	Date	Meeting Convened/ headed by	Subject	Venue
1.	28.01.2018	Parliamentary Affairs Minister	Smooth functioning of the Budget Session	G-074 Parliament Library Building, New Delhi
2.	17.07.2018	Parliamentary Affairs Minister	Smooth functioning of the Monsoon Session	G-074 Parliament Library Building, New Delhi
3.	10.12.2018	Parliamentary Affairs Minister	Smooth functioning of the Winter Session	G-074 Parliament Library Building, New Delhi




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44. NeVA also provides information relating to composition of all Committees including details of Committee meetings, their agendas, information relating to personal claims of Members like Salary and Allowances etc. Live webcasting/TV facility is also available on this application live telecast of Lok Sabha/Rajya Sabha TVs, Doordarshan TV has already been enabled with further facility in respect of State Legislatures in the same manner. NeVA is so been designed to equip Members to handle diverse House Business smartly by putting entire information needed by them in their handheld devices/ tablets and equip all the Branches of Legislatures/ Department to handle it efficiently addressing Day to Day issues and functioning of the House.



45. NeVA will bring democracy closer to our citizens by bringing working of legislatures closer to them. By giving the citizens access to the bills, the question-answers, the documents tabled in the house in an easy manner, NeVA gives an opportunity to the citizens for meaningful engagement with the democracy, thereby taking a strong step in direction of attaining substantive democracy.

46. Winter Session & Monsoon Session of Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha are completed successfully by CPMU Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs. All Questions, LOBs, Papers Laid for Monsoon Session of Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha are available in Public domain on Website as well as Mobile Application. Member profile of all the members along with Ministers is also updated. Contact information of Members, House Secretariat, Press etc is also uploaded and are available in Public domain on Website as well as Mobile Application.

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### Use of Hindi in the Ministry

47. For proper implementation of the Official Language Policy and provisions of the Official Language Act, 1963 and Rules made thereunder and for translation work, there is a Hindi Section in the Ministry.

48. An Official Language Implementation Committee has been set up to ensure proper implementation of the official language policy, in the Ministry. During the period under report, four meetings of the Implementation Committee were held on 26.03.2018, 29.06.2018, 26.09.2018 and 26.12.2018.

49. To advise on matters relating to the progressive use of Hindi and for implementation of the Official Language Policy, a Hindi Salahkar Samiti is constituted in the Ministry. The tenure of the previous Samiti expired on 15 June, 2018 and now the process of its reconstitution is in progress.

50. To ensure the implementation of the provisions of the Official Language Act and Official Language Rules and to keep a constant watch on the implementation of provisions related to the use of Hindi in the Ministry, the Sections of the Ministry are inspected. During the period under report, inspection of one Section was carried out.

51. "Hindi Fortnight" was celebrated in the Ministry from 14 September to 28 September, 2018. During the fortnight, various competitions were conducted. Employees participated in these competitions enthusiastically. Due to some unavoidable circumstances, the final function of the Hindi Fortnight was held on 11 October, 2018. During the function, prizes were distributed to winners of various competitions. In total 23 officers/employees were awarded prizes.

52. Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs was selected for the second prize of Rajbhasha Kirti Puraskar for the year 2017-18. On the occasion of Hindi Diwas i.e. 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2018, Secretary, Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs received the award from the Hon'ble Vice President of India in a function held at Vigyan Bhawan.

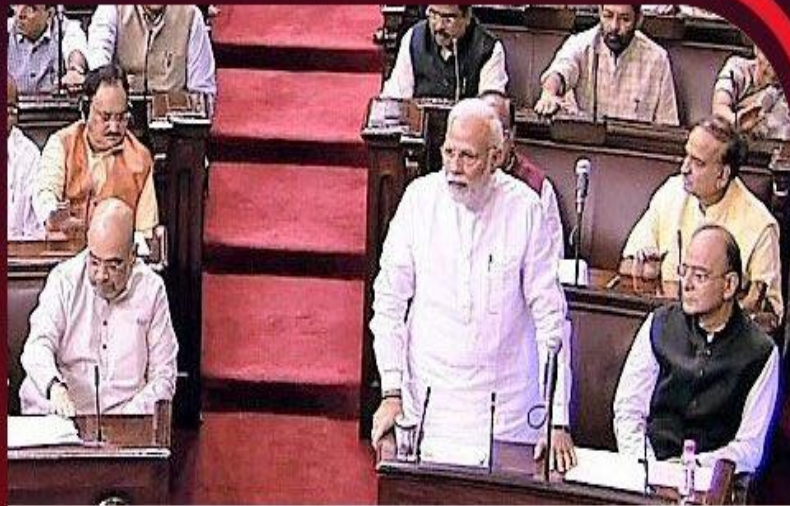


53. Out of 12 sections of the Ministry, excluding Minister's Personal Section and Research Cell, six sections are specified to do cent percent work in Hindi and the other six sections to do 50% work in Hindi.

54. To encourage the use of Hindi in the Ministry, a Hindi Workshop was conducted in the Ministry during the period under report from 29 October 2018 to 2 November, 2018. In the workshop 12 employees were imparted training on noting & drafting in Hindi. On 12 February, 2018, a special workshop was conducted for the employees of the Ministry on Official Language, Official Language Act and Official Language Rules. On 25 April, 2018, a special workshop on yoga was conducted and a special workshop on yoga was also organized on 13.6.2018 on the occasion of Fourth International Yoga Day in which Yog Guru Dr. Surakshit Goswami imparted training of yoga and meditation to the employees of the Ministry.

### **Launch of New Website**

55. A new revamped, user friendly website of Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs was launched on 24.09.2018.



संसद का ये मानसून सत्र सामाजिक न्याय और युवाओं के कल्याण के सत्र के रूप में हमेशा याद किया जाएगा। इस सत्र में युवाओं और पिछड़े समुदायों को लाभ पहुँचाने वाले कई महत्वपूर्ण विधेयकों को पारित किया गया। दशकों से SC/ST Commission की तरह ही OBC Commission बनाने की माँग चली आ रही थी। पिछड़े वर्ग के अधिकारों को सुनिश्चित करने के लिए देश ने इस बार OBC आयोग बनाने का संकल्प पूरा किया और उसको एक संवैधानिक अधिकार भी दिया। यह कदम सामाजिक न्याय के उद्देश्य को आगे ले जाने वाला सिद्ध होगा।

'मन की बात' में प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी, 26 अगस्त 2018

## APPENDIX

(Vide para 2)

### FUNCTIONS ALLOTTED TO THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS

**Functions assigned to the Ministry under the Government of India (Allocation of Business) Rules, 1961 made by the President under Article 77 (3) of the Constitution of India:-**

1. Dates of summoning and prorogation of the two Houses of Parliament, Dissolution of Lok Sabha, and President's Address to Parliament.
2. Planning and coordination of legislative and other official business in both Houses.
3. Allocation of Government time in Parliament for discussion of motions given notice of by Members
4. Liaison with Leaders and Whips of various Parties and Groups represented in Parliament.
5. Lists of Members of Select and Joint Committees on Bills.
6. Appointment of Members of Parliament on Committees and other bodies set up by Government.
7. Functioning of Consultative Committees of Members of Parliament for various Ministries.
8. Implementation of assurances given by Ministers in Parliament.
9. Government's stand on Private Members' Bills and Resolutions.
10. Secretarial assistance to the Cabinet Committee on Parliamentary Affairs.
11. Advice to Ministries on procedural and other Parliamentary matters.
12. Coordination of action by Ministries on recommendations of general application made by Parliamentary Committees.
13. Officially sponsored visits of Members of Parliament to places of interest.
14. Matters connected with powers, privileges and immunities of Members of Parliament.
15. Parliamentary Secretaries-functions.
16. Organisation of Youth Parliament Competitions in Schools/Colleges throughout the country.
17. Organisation of All India Whips' Conference.
18. Exchange of Government Sponsored Delegations of Members of Parliament with other countries.
19. Determination of Policy and follow up action in regard to matters raised under Rule 377 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha and by way of Special Mentions in Rajya Sabha.
20. Manual for Handling Parliamentary work in Ministries/Departments.
21. The Salaries and Allowances of the Officers of Parliament Act, 1953. (20 of 1953)
22. The Salary, Allowances and Pension of Members of Parliament Act, 1954. (30 of 1954)
23. The Salary and Allowances of Leaders of Opposition in Parliament Act, 1977 (33 of 1977).
24. The Leader and Chief Whips of recognised parties and Groups in Parliament (Facilities) Act, 1998 (5 of 1999)

**MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS  
CALENDAR 2019**

	JANUARY					FEBRUARY					MARCH					APRIL				
SUN		6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24	31	3	10	17	24		7	14	21	28
MON		7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25		4	11	18	25	1	8	15	22	29
TUE	1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26		5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	30
WED	2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27		6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24	
THU	3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28		7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25	
FRI	4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22		1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	
SAT	5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23		2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	
	MAY					JUNE					JULY					AUGUST				
SUN		5	12	19	26	30	2	9	16	23		7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25
MON		6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24	1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26
TUE		7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25	2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27
WED	1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26	3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28
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FRI	3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28	5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30
SAT	4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29	6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24	31
	SEPTEMBER					OCTOBER					NOVEMBER					DECEMBER				
SUN	1	8	15	22	29		6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24	1	8	15	22	29
MON	2	9	16	23	30		7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25	2	9	16	23	30
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**Gazetted Holidays**

Date	Day	Holidays	Date	Day	Holidays
26 Jan	Sat	Republic Day	24 Aug	Sat	Janmashtami
04 Mar	Mon	Maha Shivratri	10 Sep	Tue	Muharram*
21 Mar	Thu	Holi	02 Oct	Wed	Mahatma Gandhi's Birth Day
17 Apr	Wed	Mahavir Jayanti	08 Oct	Tue	Dussehra
19 Apr	Fri	Good Friday	27 Oct	Sun	Diwali (Deepavali)
18 May	Sat	Buddha Purnima	10 Nov	Sun	Milad-Un-Nabi or Id-E-Milad (Birthday Prophet Md.)*
05 Jun	Wed	Idul Fitr*	12 Nov	Tue	Guru Nanak's Birth Day
12 Aug	Mon	Idul Zuha (Bakrid)*	25 Dec	Wed	Christmas Day
15 Aug	Thu	Independence Day	*Subject to sighting of Moon		

**Restricted Holidays**

01 Jan	Tue	New Year's Day	04 Jul	Thu	Rath Yatra
13 Jan	Sun	Lohri	15 Aug	Thu	Raksha Bandhan
14 Jan	Mon	Makar Sankranti / Pongal	17 Aug	Sat	Parsi New Year's Day / Nauroz
15 Jan	Tue	Pongal	02 Sep	Mon	Vinayaka Chaturthi / Ganesh Chaturthi
10 Feb	Sun	Basanta Panchami / Shree Panchami	11 Sep	Wed	Onam Or Thiru Onam Day
19 Feb	Tue	Guru Ravidas's Birthday/ Shivaji Jayanti	05 Oct	Sat	Dussehra (Maha Saptami) Additional
01 Mar	Thu	Swami Dayanand Saraswati Jayanti	06 Oct	Sun	Dussehra (Maha Ashtami) Additional
20 Mar	Wed	Holika Dahan	07 Oct	Mon	Dussehra (Maha Navami)
21 Mar	Thu	Dolyatra / Hazarat Ali's Birthday	13 Oct	Sun	Maharishi Valmiki's Birthday
06 Apr	Sat	ChaitraSukladi/GudiPadava /Ugadi/Cheti Chand	17 Oct	Thu	Karaka Chaturthi (Karva Chouth)
13 Apr	Sat	Ram Navami (Smarta)	27 Oct	Sun	Naraka Chaturdasi
14 Apr	Sun	Vaisakhi/Vishu/ Masadi	28 Oct	Mon	Govardhan Puja
15 Apr	Mon	Vaisakhadi (Bengal) / Bahag Bihu (Assam)	29 Oct	Tue	Bhai Duj
21 Apr	Sun	Easter (Sunday)	02 Nov	Sat	Pratihara Sashthi /Surya Sashthi (Chhat Puja)
09 May	Thu	Guru Rabindranath's Birthday	24 Nov	Sun	Guru Teg Bahadur's Martyrdom Day
31 May	Fri	Jamat-Ul-Vida	24 Dec	Tue	Christmas Eve