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last two Years

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1. Legislative Achievements

- ✓ No. of sittings of Lok Sabha : 114
- ✓ No. of sittings of Rajya Sabha : 111
- ✓ No. of Bills Introduced in :-
 - Lok Sabha : 102
 - Rajya Sabha : 17

✓No. of Bills Passed by :-

Lok Sabha : 107
Rajya Sabha : 104

- ✓ Bills passed by both the Houses of the Parliament and became Acts: 102

(During the period under report approx. 27%, 33% and 41% more Bills were passed by both Houses than in the corresponding periods of 14th, 15th and 16th Lok Sabhas respectively)

- ✓ 33 Ordinances were promulgated out of which 28 were replaced by Acts of Parliament during the period.
- ✓ Many path breaking and important legislations were passed through consensus by better coordination with various Political parties and Members of Parliament despite not having clear majority in Rajya Sabha.

Historic First Session

- ✓ The First Session of 17th Lok Sabha was historic as 30 Bills were passed by both the Houses of Parliament in this Session which is a record in single first/effective Session after constitution of any new Lok Sabha.
- ✓ Certain provisions of Article 370 and Presidential Orders thereunder were abrogated for ensuring equal opportunities to all sections of Society in Jammu & Kashmir particularly

with restoration of applicability of all the provisions of the Constitution of India and all socio-economic legislations thereby ensuring One Nation One Constitution.

Parliament Sessions during Pandemic

- ✓ So as to meet Constitutional requirements of article 85 and for transacting essential legislative and other Business, Monsoon Session, 2020 and Budget Session, 2021 were held during COVID-19 pandemic situation by making extraordinary arrangements including that of seating and logistics following all guidelines of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and Ministry of Home Affairs. Lok Sabha used Lok Sabha Chamber, Lok Sabha Public Gallery, Rajya Sabha Chamber and Rajya Sabha Public Gallery for its sittings while Rajya Sabha used Rajya Sabha Chamber, Rajya Sabha Public Gallery and Lok Sabha Chamber for its sittings. Lok Sabha sat from 3 pm to 7 pm (with extended time, if required) daily except on 14th September, 2020 when they sat from 9 am to 1 pm. Rajya Sabha had its meetings from 9 am to 1 pm (with extended time, if required) daily except on 14th September, 2020 when they met from 3 pm to 7 pm.

2. Function in Central Hall

- ✓ A special Function was held in the Central Hall of Parliament, on 26th November, 2019 to commemorate 70th Anniversary of adoption of the Constitution by members of both Houses of Parliament assembled together.

3. Youth Parliament Competitions

- ✓ Video tutorial on Youth Parliament created with the help of RSTV for training prospective participants of the programme.
- ✓ Youth parliament (Off line) :
- ✓ No of Institutions covered – 271
Student's participation – 14,200
- ✓ To increase the outreach of the Youth Parliament programme to hitherto untouched sections and corners of the country, online portal based National Youth Parliament Programme (NYPS) was conceived.
- ✓ The portal was launched by the Hon'ble President of India in the august presence of Hon'ble Vice President, Hon'ble Prime Minister, Hon'ble Speaker and Hon'ble Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and members of both Houses of Parliament on November 26th, 2019 in Central Hall, Parliament House.

- ✓ On NYPS portal as on date 7,950 registrations have been received from different Institutions across the country and out of these 2,834 registrations have been approved so far.

4. National e-Vidhan Application (NeVA)

- ✓ NeVA is a Mission Mode Project under Digital India Programme which endeavours to make of all State/ UTs Legislatures paperless.
- ✓ The NeVA Public Website and Mobile application both have been developed and the platform is ready to be rolled out in State/UTs Legislatures.
- ✓ Central Project Monitoring Unit (CPMU) National e-Vidhan Application has conducted 50 workshops/VCs for training and Capacity building of stakeholders.
- ✓ Bihar Legislative Council became the first House in country to adopt online questions through NeVA during Monsoon Session in July, 2019.
- ✓ Trainings programmes of Members of Legislatures have also been conducted at Arunachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly and Bihar Legislative Council.
- ✓ Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for implementation of NeVA has been signed with 16 States (17 Houses) which includes Bihar (both Assembly and Council), Punjab, Odisha, Meghalaya, Manipur, Gujarat, Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Tripura, Chhattisgarh, Sikkim, Puducherry, Himachal Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh and Haryana.
- ✓ Detailed Project Reports (DPR) for the sanction of NeVA project have been submitted by 8 States (9 Houses) out of which first 7 States (8 Houses) have also been paid first instalment for implementation of NeVA in their respective States.

5. Consultative Committees

- ✓ Consultative Committees Constituted : 38
- ✓ Meetings held : 61

6. Training / Workshops

- ✓ An Orientation Course in Parliamentary Practice and Procedure for the benefit of Assistant Secretaries (fresh IAS officers of 2017 Batch) was organized on 17th July 2019 in Parliament House Annexe, New Delhi.
- ✓ A workshop on Parliamentary Practice and Procedures was held at Anushakti Bhawan, Mumbai on 04.08.2019, for the benefit of officers of Dept. of Atomic Energy.

7. Assurances

- ✓ *Number of Assurances culled out: Lok Sabha : 1,311
Rajya Sabha : 608
- ✓ *Number of Assurances fulfilled: Lok Sabha : 1,679
Rajya Sabha : 712

*Due to pro-activeness of the Government, rate of fulfilment of assurances has been better than the assurances given on the floor of the House during the period under report.

8. Matters raised under Rule 377 in Lok Sabha and Special Matters in Rajya Sabha

- ✓ Number of Matters : Lok Sabha : 1,942
Rajya Sabha : 569
- ✓ Matters disposed off : Lok Sabha : 1664
Rajya Sabha : 400

9. Zero Hour Matters

- ✓ Matters raised In Lok Sabha : 1,929 (Highest ever in comparison to the corresponding years of all Lok Sabhas)
- ✓ Matters raised in Rajya Sabha : 788

10. Amendment in Salary, Allowances and Pension of Members of Parliament act, 1954 and Rules made thereunder

The following reductions were made in the salary and other allowances of members of Parliament to meet the exigencies arising COVID 19 pandemic w.e.f. 1st April, 2020 :-

- Salary reduced from Rs. 1,00,000 Lakh to Rs.70,000/-
- Constituency allowance reduced from Rs. 70,000/- to Rs. 49,000/-
- Stationery allowance reduced from Rs. 20,000/- to Rs.14,000/-

11. Publications – New editions brought out

- ✓ The Manual of Parliamentary Procedures in the Government of India was updated and released on July, 2019.
- ✓ The Statistical Handbook of Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs was revised in August, 2019.
- ✓ Handbook on Working of Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs was updated in September, 2019.
