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93, Parliament House New Delhi-110001.

Dated 20th April, 2021

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Monthly Summary for the month of March, 2021 in respect of Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith a copy of the Monthly Summary of the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs for the month of March, 2021.

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To

- 1. All the Members of the Council of Ministers.
- 2. Vice Chairman, NITI Aayog, Sansad Marg, New Delhi.

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- 4. Director, Cabinet Secretariat, Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi
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- 7. PS to Ministers of State for Parliamentary Affairs.
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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS

Subject: - Monthly Summary for the month of March, 2021 of Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs.

1. LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS IN PARLIAMENT

Budget Session 2021:-

Rajya Sabha and Lok Sabha which was adjourned for recess on Friday, the 12th February, 2021 and Saturday, the 13th February, 2021 respectively to enable Departmentally related Standing Committees to examine and report on the Demands for Grants relating to various Ministries/Departments, reassembled for the Second Part on Monday 8th March, 2021.

The Session, which was originally scheduled to have sittings till 8 April, 2021, was curtailed to 25th March, 2021 due to demand of Leaders of various political parties in both the Houses so that Members could participate in the election process in certain States/UTs.

In the second part of the Session there were 12 sittings of Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha respectively.

In Lok Sabha, Demands for Grants relating to Ministries of Railways, Education and Health & Family Welfare were discussed and adopted individually. Thereafter rest of the Demands for Grants of the Ministries/Departments were put to the vote of the House on Wednesday, the 17th March, 2021. The related Appropriation Bill was also introduced, considered and passed by Lok Sabha on 17.03.2021. Appropriation Bills relating to Supplementary Demands for Grants for the year 2020-21; Demands for Grants for the year 2 2021-22 and Supplementary Demands for Grants for the year 2020-21 in respect of the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir and Supplementary Demands for Grants for the year 2020-21 & Demands for Grants (Vote on Account) for the year 2021-22 for the Union Territory of Puducherry after their adoption were also introduced, considered and passed on 18.03.2021 in the Lok Sabha. The Finance Bill, 2021 was passed by Lok Sabha on 23.03.2021. Rajya Sabha also returned all the Appropriation Bills on 23.03.2021, and the Finance Bill, 2021 on 24.03.2021. As such the entire Financial Business was completed in the Houses of Parliament before 31st March, 2021.

During the Second part of the Budget Session a total of 14 Bills (13 in Lok Sabha and 01 in Rajya Sabha) were introduced. 16 Bills were passed by Lok Sabha and 16 Bills were passed by Rajya Sabha. Total number of Bills passed by both Houses of Parliament is 16. The complete list is at Annexure-I.

Meeting of the Committee of Parliamentary Affairs (CCPA)

The Cabinet Committee on Parliamentary Affairs in its meeting held on Thursday, the 25th March, 2021 decided that:-

- i. The 5th Session of 17th Lok Sabha (Budget Session 2021) and 253rd Session of Rajya Sabha which were adjourned *sine-die* on Thursday, the 25th of March, 2021 be prorogued;
- ii. Ratified case of Government's Stand on Private Members Bills and Resolutions for being "Opposed or for requesting/persuading the Members concerned to withdraw the Bills/Resolutions failing which they may be opposed/not to support", approved by the Minister of Parliamentary Affairs under the power delegated to him with Cabinet Note No.03 of 2021.

The Lok Sabha/Rajya Sabha Secretariat were informed of the decision of the CCPA to prorogue the Houses and the Houses were prorogued on 29th March, 2021.

Press Conference.

After the conclusion of the Budget Session 2021, the HMPA along with MOS's of Parliamentary Affairs held a post session Press Conference on 25.03.2021.

2. IMPLEMENTATION OF ASSURANCES IN PARLIAMENT

This Ministry is the co-ordinating agency to ensure that the Ministries fulfil their assurances, given by the concerned Ministers while replying to questions or supplementary thereon or during discussion on Bills, Resolutions, Motions in Parliament, in time. The Ministry extracts from the daily proceedings of both the Houses, assurances given by Ministers and forward the same to concerned Ministries for necessary action. The Implementation Reports received from administrative ministries in fulfilment of an assurance are laid on the Table of the respective Houses.

From 1956 to March, 2021 a total of 96690 Assurances were culled out in Lok Sabha and 56844 Assurances were culled out in Rajya Sabha. Out of these 1611 Assurances of Lok Sabha and 838 Assurances of Rajya Sabha are pending.

During the month of March, 2021, 60 Assurances were culled out from Lok Sabha proceedings and 50 Assurances were culled out from Rajya Sabha proceedings.

During the month of March, 2021, 159 Implementation Reports were laid in Lok Sabha and 35 Implementation Reports were laid in Rajya Sabha

3. FOLLOW UP ACTION ON MATTERS RAISED UNDER RULE 377 IN LOK SABHA AND BY WAY OF SPECIAL MENTION IN RAJYA SABHA.

Members of the Lok Sabha who wish to bring to the notice of the House any matter which is not a point of order, are permitted by the Speaker to raise the matter under the rule 377 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha. In the Rajya Sabha, the Chairman permits the members to mention the matters of urgent public importance, generally known as special mentions, under Rule 180 A-E of the Rules of Procedure and conduct of Business in the Rajya Sabha. The Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs takes follow up action on such matters raised by Members of both houses of period.

The Status of Matters raised and replies given to various matters raised in both Houses of Parliament at the end of March 2021.

	Matters raised under Rule 377 in Lok Sabha	Matters raised by way of Special Mention in Rajya Sabha
Matters pending on 1st March	230	226
Matters raised during the month of March	226	72
Pendency matters in the month of March	456	298
Replies Received during March	112	16
Remaining Matters	344	282

4. <u>FUNCTIONING OF CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEES</u>

Informal Consultative Committees were constituted for various Ministries/Departments of Government of India, first time in the year 1954 to provide opportunities to Members of Parliament to have some glimpse into the working of the Government. Nature of these Committees is advisory. At present 37 Consultative Committees are functioning for various Ministries.

In the month of March 2021, -

- A. Eight meetings of Consultative Committees were held.
- B. Four Members of Parliament were deleted from various Consultative Committees after their Death/ Retirement/ Resignation.

C. Three Members of Parliament were nominated on various Committee/Boards/Commission by the Government.

The above details are placed in Annexure – II.

5. <u>DIGITAL GOVERNANCE - IMPLEMENTATION OF e-OFFICE</u>

This Ministry was selected for implementation of e-Office Mission Mode Project (MMP) by Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances (DARPG) in the second phase. From October, 2013 after digitization of physical files, sections of the Ministry were brought under e-office.

All matters relating to leave of employees, service, billing etc are being done in e-office. This has helped the Ministry to be more efficient, lesser usage of paper, rule based file routing, quick search and retrieval of files and office orders. DARPG has awarded this Ministry for commendable performance shown in implementation of e-office.

In the month of March, 2021, most of the work was done electronically and 1678 electronic files were moved.

6. MOTIVATING YOUTH THROUGH YOUTH PARLIAMENT SCHEMES

During the month of March, 2021, Registrations of 520 schools for participating in National Youth Parliament Schemes were reviewed and out of them, registrations of 244 schools were approved.

7. NATIONAL e-VIDHAN APPLICATION (NeVA): ONE NATION – ONE APPLICATION

NeVa is a Mission Mode Project under the Digital India Programme. Its mission is to make the legislatures of all the States/UTs paper less, streamline all the processes for information exchange with the different State Government Departments and to publish the allowed contents on the public portal in real time. The NeVA works on both web-based and application based (both Android and IOS) platform, in a format consistent across National and State legislatures.

Various States have adopted the NeVA, a project for digital legislatures and have started working on it. With the sole objective of knowledge transfer for capacity building of the officials of the legislatures, CPMU, NeVA has started in house training/workshop in association with the concerned Assembly/Council/State NIC.

Upto the month of March, 2021 Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for implementation of NeVA has been signed with 15 States (16 Houses) which includes Bihar (Assembly and Council), Punjab, Odisha, Meghalaya, Manipur, Gujarat, Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Tripura, Chhattisgarh, Sikkim, Puducherry, Himachal Pradesh, Tamil Nadu and Haryana. Detailed Project Reports (DPR) for the sanction of NeVA project have been

submitted by 8 States (9 Houses) Punjab, Odisha, Bihar (Assembly and Council), Nagaland, Manipur, Sikkim, Tamil Nadu and Arunachal Pradesh out of which first instalment for implementation of NeVA has been paid to 7 States (8 Houses).

In the month of March, 2021 –

- i. A NeVA Online workshop on Committee modules were organized by CPMU NeVA team on 2nd March 2021 for the training for various officials of Odisha Legislative Assembly. A similar workshop on Question Modules was also conducted on 16th March, 2021 for Odisha.
- ii. On 12th March 2021 Additional Chief Secretary (IT) Govt. of Tamil Nadu along with Secretary, Tamil Nadu Assembly visited Parliament House to attend a meeting taken by the Secretary, Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs' and other Official sto discuss various aspects of NeVA implementation in Tamil Nadu and to clarify various issues related to DPR.
- iii. On 22nd March 2021, 3rd Virtual meeting of Empowered Committee of National e-Vidhan Application (NeVA) was held under the chairmanship of Dr R S Shukla, Secretary, Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs, Government of India at 4;00 PM to approve the DPRs and grant sanction for implementation of NeVA in the states of Tamil Nadu, Manipur and Sikkim.
- iv. On 23rd March 2021, a review meeting for implementation of eVidhan in Tapovan, Himachal Pradesh was conducted.
- v. A NeVA Online workshop was organized by CPMU NeVA team on 24th March 202 for the training of officials of Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly. In this workshop a general overview of various modules of NeVA was given to the officials of Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly.

8. SOCIAL MEDIA

Social Media is an emerging platform for information sharing and receiving feedback. Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs has taken the initiative of getting its presence registered on various social media platforms.

With a total of 1752 tweets, the number of twitter followers for the Ministry's handle https://twitter.com/mpa_india touched 4542 and that of Facebook's followers became 37614.

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS TRANSACTED DURING FIFTH SESSION OF SEVENTEENTH LOK SABHA AND 253TH SESSION OF RAJYA SABHA (March, 2021)

I. Bills Introduced in Lok Sabha

- 1. The Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi (Amendment) Bill, 2021
- 2. The Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Amendment Bill, 2021.
- 3. The National Institute of Pharmaceutical Educational Research (Amendment) Bill, 2021.
- 4. The Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Amendment Bill, 2021.
- 5. The Marine Aids to Navigation Bill, 2021.
- 6. The Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 2021.
- 7. The Appropriation Bill, 2021.
- 8. The Jammu and Kashmir Appropriation Bill, 2021.
- 9. The Jammu and Kashmir Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 2021.
- 10. The Puducherry Appropriation Bill, 2021.
- 11. The Puducherry Appropriation (Vote on Account) Bill, 2021.
- 12. The National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development Bill, 2021.
- 13. The Airports Economic Regulatory Authority of India (Amendment) Bill, 2021.

II. Bills Introduced in Rajya Sabha

1. The Insurance (Amendment) Bill, 2021.

III. Bills Passed in Lok Sabha.

- 1. The National Capital Territory if Delhi Laws (Special Provisions) Second (Amendment) Bill, 2021.
- 2. The Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 2021.
- 3. The Appropriation Bill, 2021.

- 4. The Jammu and Kashmir Appropriation Bill, 2021.
- 5. The Jammu and Kashmir Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 2021.
- 6. The Puducherry Appropriation Bill, 2021.
- 7. The Puducherry Appropriation (Vote on Account) Bill, 2021.
- 8. The Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Amendment Bill, 2021.
- 9. The Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Order (Amendment) Bill, 2021.
- 10. The Insurance (Amendment) Bill, 2021.
- 11. The Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi (Amendment) Bill, 2021
- 12. The Marine Aids to Navigation Bill, 2021.
- 13. The Finance Bill, 2021.
- 14. The National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development Bill, 2021
- 15. The National Commission for Allied and Healthcare Professions Bill, 2021.
- 16. The Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Amendment Bill, 2021.

IV. Bills Passed in Rajya Sabha.

- 1. The Arbitration and Conciliation (Amendment) Bill, 2021.
- 2. The National Institute of Food Technology, Entrepreneurship and Management Bill, 2019
- 3. The Medical Termination of Pregnancy (Amendment) Bill, 2020.
- 4. The National Commission for Allied and Healthcare Professions Bill, 2021.
- 5. The Insurance (Amendment) Bill, 2021.
- 6. The Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Amendment Bill, 2021.
- 7. The Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Order (Amendment) Bill, 2021.
- 8. The Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 2021.
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- 12. The Puducherry Appropriation Bill, 2021.
- 13. The Puducherry Appropriation (Vote on Account) Bill, 2021.

- 14. The Finance Bill, 2021.
- 15. The Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi (Amendment) Bill, 2021
- 16. The National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development Bill, 2021.

V. Bills Passed by both Houses.

- 1. The National Capital Territory if Delhi Laws (Special Provisions) Second (Amendment) Bill, 2021.
- 2. The Arbitration and Conciliation (Amendment) Bill, 2021.
- 3. The Medical Termination of Pregnancy (Amendment) Bill, 2020.
- 4. The Insurance (Amendment) Bill, 2021.
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- 16. The National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development Bill, 2021.

Annexure -II

Details of Meetings of Consultative Committee during March, 2021

S.No.	Day, Date and Time	Ministry	Subject	Venue / Remarks
1.	Monday, the 1st March, 2021 at 11.30 am	Information and Broadcasting	New Technology in Broadcasting	Committee Room No. "D" PHA, New Delhi
2.	Tuesday, the 2 nd March, 2021 at 3:00 pm	Heavy Industries and Public Enterprise	e-Mobility	Committee Room No. "E" PHA, New Delhi
3.	Tuesday, the 2 nd March, 2021 at 11:30 am	Labour and Employment	Safety of Mining workers	Committee Room No. "E" PHA, New Delhi
4.	Tuesday, the 2 nd March, 2021 at 11:30 am	Environment, Forest and Climate Change	Promotion of Eco Tourism	Committee Room No. "C" PHA, New Delhi
5.	Wednesday, the 3 rd March, 2021 at 2:00 pm	Power	Proposed Reforms	Committee Room No. "D" PHA, New Delhi

6.	Friday, the 12 th March, 2021 at 2:30 pm	Home Affairs	Peace Efforts in North Eastern Regions	Committee Room No. "D" PHA, New Delhi
7.	Tuesday, the 16 th March, 2021 at 6:30 pm	Chemical and Fertilisers	Strengthening the Governance around Medical Device Sector	Committee Room No. "B" PHA, New Delhi
8.	Wednesday, 24 th March 2021 at 6:00 pm	Commerce and Industry	Strengthening the Manufacturing Base in India	Committee Room No. "D" PHA, New Delhi

<u>Details Members of Parliament whose names have been deleted from various Consultative Committees after they Retired/Resigned during March, 2021:-</u>

S. No.	Name of MPs	Name of CC in which they stand nominated	Reason
1.	Shri Nand Kumar Singh Chauhan, MP (LS)	M/o Power and M/o New Renewable Enenrgy	Passed away on 02.03.2021
2.	Shri Ram Swaroop Sharma MP(LS)	M/o External Affairs	Passed away on 17.03.2021
3.	Shri Mohan S. Delkar, MP(LS)	M/o Home Affairs	Passed away on 22.02.2021
4.	Shri Swapan Dasgupta MP(RS)	M/o Education	Resigned on 17.03.2021 7-02-2021

Details of Members of Parliament that have been Nominated on various Consultative Committees during the month of March, 2021:-

S. No.	Name of MPs	Name of the CC in which they are nominated	Remarks
1.	Shri Arun Singh MP (RS)	M/o Finance	Member
2.	Shri RambhaiHarjibhaiMokaria MP (RS)	M/o Finance	Member
3.	Shri DineshchandraJemalbhaiAnavadiya MP(RS)	M/o Commerce and Industry	Member
