



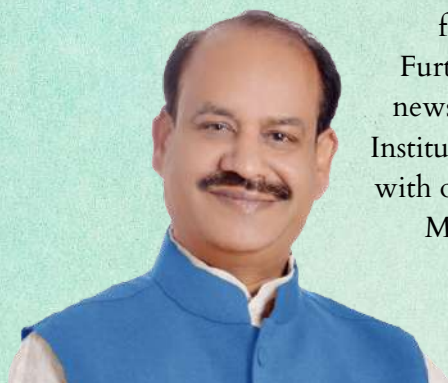
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PRIDE NEWSLETTER



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“Information technology has brought new opportunities for the Parliament to come closer to the public, bringing in ease of access to information about Parliament and its functioning. Continuous efforts are being made by us to reach the stakeholders. Furthering this resolve, I am pleased to share the launch of our new initiative "गौरव", a newsletter published by the Lok Sabha Secretariat's Parliamentary Research & Training Institute for Democracies (PRIDE). This newsletter, I believe, will open new opportunities with our new initiatives and ongoing efforts to provide high-quality capacity building for Members and our stakeholders, in our endeavour to deepen our understanding of Parliamentary disciplines and values.”

Hon'ble Speaker Shri Om Birla

OUTREACH & FAMILIARIZATION PROGRAMME

For the Panchayati Raj Institutions at Dehradun, Uttarakhand

January, 2021 | Dehradun

Hon'ble Speaker Shri Om Birla inaugurated the Outreach & Familiarisation Programme for Panchayati Raj institutions of the country, on January 8, 2021, at Dehradun. An unique initiative by the Hon'ble Speaker, it aimed to connect with the Panchayati Raj Institutions/Local Bodies across the country in order to sensitize them about democratic principles and ethos, the significance of development and people's participation and raise the aspirational levels of local leadership.

The theme of the programme was 'Panchayati Raj Institutions - Strengthening Decentralised Democracy' and was organised under the joint aegis of the Parliamentary Research and Training Institute for Democracies, Lok Sabha Secretariat and the Panchayati Raj Department, Government of Uttarakhand. The Chief Minister, Uttarakhand, Shri Trivendra Singh Rawat (joined virtually); Uttarakhand Vidhan Sabha Speaker, Shri Prem Chand Aggarwal; Panchayati Raj Minister, Government (Continued on page no. 02)

PRIDE NEWSLETTER

'गौरव' is a flagship initiative taken by Parliamentary Research and Training Institute for Democracies at the behest of the Hon'ble Speaker, Shri Om Birla to share valuable insights with various stakeholders about the training programmes and activities conducted by the institution.

Through this newsletter, the institution strives to highlight the endeavours and unique initiatives undertaken in becoming a premier research and training institute. The newsletter celebrates the institution's commitment and contribution to impart specialized knowledge of Parliamentary Processes and Procedures to legislators, policy-makers, administrators and promote awareness by sensitizing the citizens of the country.



OUTREACH & FAMILIARIZATION PROGRAMME

For the Panchayati Raj Institutions at Dehradun, Uttarakhand

of Uttarakhand, Shri Arvind Pandey; and Secretary General, Lok Sabha, Shri Utpal Kumar Singh attended the inaugural session. The Hon'ble Union Cabinet Minister of Education Dr Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank attended the valedictory session.

The programme featured informative and interactive sessions with Members of Parliament and social activists, who spoke on sessions varying from the Panchayat and Parliament, Leadership of Panchayat, to the Role of Panchayat in preservation and conservation of natural resources of Uttarakhand. Hon'ble Union Cabinet Minister Dr Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank, Minister of Education presented the valedictory address and was appreciative of the Hon'ble Speaker's efforts towards advancing the importance of Panchayati Raj Institutions. The representatives of the three-tier Panchayati Raj system included Zila Panchayat Chairman, Block Panchayat Pramukhs, and nominated Gram Pradhans of Uttarakhand who participated in the programme. This programme was attended by 445 panchayat representatives offline and approximately 40,000 representatives joined online.



Shri Om Birla, Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha, addressing the participants attending the Outreach and Familiarization Programme for the Panchayati Raj Institutions of Uttarakhand at Dehradun.



Shri Prem Chand Aggarwal, Hon'ble Speaker, Uttarakhand Legislative Assembly, addressing the participants attending the Outreach and Familiarization Programme for the Panchayati Raj Institutions of Uttarakhand at Dehradun.



Shri Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank, Hon'ble Cabinet Minister, Ministry of Education, addressing the participants attending the Outreach and Familiarization Programme for the Panchayati Raj Institutions of Uttarakhand at Dehradun.



ONLINE INTERACTIVE SESSION WITH THE PADMA AWARDEES

For the benefit of Hon'ble Members of Parliament

January | New Delhi

To further the capacity building objectives, a first of its kind initiative under the Hon'ble Speaker Shri Om Birla was conducted from 18th to 22nd January 2021, whereby the best practices of Eminent Social Workers was shared for the benefit of Hon'ble Members of Parliament and State Legislatures. These social workers, who have previously been awarded the prestigious Padma Awards for their immense and distinguished contribution, were provided with a platform to share their expertise and knowledge.



Shri Om Birla, Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha, inaugurating the online presentations by eminent social workers for the benefit of Hon'ble Members of Parliament.



Sant Balbir Singh Seechewal, Padma Shri Awardee 2017, and Shri Pawar Popatrao Bhaguji, Padma Shri Awardee 2020, making a power point presentation for the benefit of Hon'ble Members of Parliament.

PARLIAMENTARY RESEARCH & TRAINING INSTITUTE FOR DEMOCRACIES

(Erstwhile BPST)

The Parliamentary Research and Training Institute for Democracies (PRIDE) (erstwhile BPST) was set up on 1 January 1976, as an integral part of the Lok Sabha Secretariat setting its sight on providing Parliamentarians, Parliamentary staff and others with institutionalized opportunities for systematic study and training in various disciplines of parliamentary institutions, processes and procedures.

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The best practices would serve as a source of guidance for the legislators while carrying out new development initiatives and pivotal reforms in their respective constituencies. Presentations were given on different subjects of national importance including agriculture, animal husbandry, protection and promotion of traditional craft, rehabilitation of divyang, wildlife conservation, the transformation of villages into role models of Gram Swaraj, and Rural Development. The lectures were also uploaded to Members' Portal for future reference in their developmental works.



Dr. Rajani Kant, Padma Shri Awardee 2019, making a power point presentation during the programme. Also seen in the picture are Shri S. Ramakrishnan, Padma Shri Awardee 2020 and Shri Kalyan Singh Rawat, Padma Shri Awardee 2020.



NATIONAL YOUTH PARLIAMENT FESTIVAL, 2021

In Central Hall, Parliament House Complex

January | New Delhi

National Youth Parliament 2021 was organised on 11th & 12th January 2021 on the occasion of National Youth Day, to celebrate the birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda. The programme was conducted by PRIDE in collaboration with the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports. On the initiative of Hon'ble Speaker, the State Level Winners were given the opportunity for the first time in the history of the Parliament of India to speak in the famous Central Hall.

The Programme provided the youth with a platform to comprehend and acknowledge the importance of Parliament and its role in promoting democratic values, public participation, and youth leadership. Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi addressed the participants with his encouraging words. Hon'ble Speaker, Shri Om Birla also addressed the participants. The programme was also attended by Hon'ble Union Cabinet Minister Dr Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank, Minister of Education, Shri Kiren Rijiju, Hon. Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, and Shri Utpal Kumar Singh, Secretary-General, Lok Sabha. The programme featured 84 young state-level winners and 3 jury members who gathered in New Delhi for the final round held in the Central Hall of the Parliament.



Shri Om Birla, Hon'ble Speaker, during the Inaugural Session of National Youth Parliament Festival. Also seen in the picture are Shri Kiren Rijiju, Hon'ble Minister of State, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports; Smt. Roopa Ganguly, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Shri Utpal Kumar Singh, Secretary-General, Lok Sabha.

STUDY VISIT BY DELEGATION OF ARMED FORCES & OTHER OFFICERS

Undergoing a training programme at the National Defence College, New Delhi



Shri Om Birla, Hon'ble Speaker with the delegation of armed forces and other officers undergoing a training programme at the National Defence College, New Delhi who came on a Study Visit to Parliament.

March | New Delhi

A study visit for the delegation of Armed Forces who are currently undergoing a training programme at National Defence College (NDC), New Delhi was organised on 3rd March 2021. The delegation consisted of 116 officials from the Indian Armed Forces (all three wings), Indian Civil Services, and other organs of the Government including 33 army officials invited from friendly foreign countries undergoing training at NDC. The Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha addressed the officers and had interactive sessions with the officials. Several topics were discussed including parliamentary sovereignty in India, the relevance of anti-defection law, the role of the Upper House in a progressive democracy as well as the important role played by the Speaker in ensuring quality debate inside the house on matters of national and strategic importance. The participants were also briefed about the working of the Parliament. The delegation was given a tour to the Parliament Museum and the Parliament House which included the chambers of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and the Central Hall.



OUTREACH & FAMILIARIZATION PROGRAMME

For the Local Bodies of the State of Meghalaya and other North - Eastern States

February | Meghalaya

The Second Outreach Programme for the Panchayati Raj Institutions and Local Bodies of North Eastern States was organized at Meghalaya on 26 February 2021 where representatives from Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim and Tripura participated in the programme. The programme was the second in the series of the Outreach & Familiarisation Programme for the Panchayati Raj Institutions of the Country. It is a first of its kind initiative by the Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha, Shri Om Birla, that was launched earlier in Dehradun. The objective of this programme was to introduce elected members of Panchayati Raj/Autonomous Councils to the procedures adopted in the functioning of Parliament and the underlying principles of participative democracy. The programme was intended to empower and push the aspirational level of the ground level leadership.



Shri Om Birla, Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha, addressed the Hon'ble Members of Meghalaya Legislative Assembly at Assembly Hall, Shillong, Meghalaya.

Hon. Speaker, Lok Sabha, Shri Om Birla inaugurated the programme. The programme was attended by Hon. Chief Minister of Meghalaya Dr. Conrad K. Sangma, Hon. Speaker of Meghalaya Legislative Assembly Shri Metbah Lyngdoh and Shri Rameshwar Teli, Minister of State, Ministry of Food Processing Industries who also addressed the participants on the potential & challenges of the Indian Parliament and grassroots level institutions. Members of the Autonomous District Councils of Meghalaya physically attended the programme along with the representative heads from the other North Eastern States including Zila Parishad Chairmans, MDCs, and Heads of Village Councils participated in the program. The event received an enthusiastic response from the leaders of Local Government at all levels.



Shri Om Birla, Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha, seen with Dr. Conrad K. Sangma, Hon'ble Chief Minister, Meghalaya; Shri Rameshwar Teli, Hon'ble Minister of State, Ministry of Food Processing Industries; Shri Metbah Lyngdoh, Hon'ble Speaker, Meghalaya Legislative Assembly and Shri Lakhmen Rymbui, Hon'ble Minister for District Council Affairs Department, Govt. of Meghalaya.



CELEBRATING INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

A series of lectures/panel discussion

March | New Delhi

On the occasion of International Women's Day, on 8th March 2021, Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha, Shri Om Birla addressed the Women Parliamentarians and Women Media Persons, to celebrate the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women, in first of its kind initiative. Smt Nirmala Sitharaman, Hon'ble Union Minister of Finance & Corporate Affairs, Smt Smriti Zubin Irani, Hon'ble Union Minister for Women & Child Development & Textiles and Shri Utpal Kumar Singh, Secretary-General, Lok Sabha were also present.



Shri Om Birla, Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha, seen with women Members of Parliament on the occasion of celebrating International Women's Day.



Hon'ble Members of Parliament and other eminent personalities addressing the audience on various topics of women empowerment during the week long programme on the occasion of International Women's Day.

Subsequently a week-long programme of panel discussion on different topics of women empowerment, was also organised. This 5 day programme had 10 sessions in which 40 eminent persons participated in the Panel Discussion. Different topics of women's importance including safety, healthcare, reservation, and property inheritance were discussed among panelists.

Hon'ble Members of Parliament Smt Priyanka Chaturvedi, Smt Rita Bahuguna Joshi, Smt Sangeeta Kumari Singh Deo stressed the need to rise above politics & work for women.

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Hon'ble Speaker Shri Om Birla addressing the Members of Parliament and media Persons. Also seen in the picture are Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman, Hon'ble Union Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs, Smt. Smriti Zubin Irani, Hon'ble Union Minister for Women & Child Development and Textiles and Shri Utpal Kumar Singh, Secretary General, Lok Sabha.



CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMME FOR MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT

A Series of Lecture on Union Budget

February | New Delhi

Post the announcement of the Union Budget 2021-2022, PRIDE conducted a Capacity Building Programme for the Hon'ble Members of the Parliament. This programme consisted of a series of lectures which was conducted on 1st, 3rd and 9th February 2021 respectively. The lecture series commenced with the discussion on 'General Provisions of Union Budget and Direct/ Indirect Tax'. The panel of resource persons who addressed the Hon'ble Members of Parliament included Shri Kamlesh Varshney, Joint Secretary, CBDT, Shri GD Lohani, Joint Secretary, CBIC and Dr Pinaki Chakraborty, Director, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy.

In the second session, a comprehensive discussion of 'Finance Bill and Appropriation Bill' was undertaken by Dr Girish Ahuja, Chartered Accountant (Direct Tax); Dr Yamini Aiyar, President & CEO, Centre for Policy Research; and Shri Subhomoy Bhattacharjee, Consulting Editor, Business Standard. On the final day of the session, The Chairman of the 15th Finance Commission, Shri N. K. Singh, and the Members - Shri Ajay Narayan Jha, Ashok Lahiri, and Anoop Singh gave a comprehensive outlook on the 15th Finance Commission report.



Dr Girish Ahuja, Chartered Accountant (Direct Tax); Dr Yamini Aiyar, President & CEO, Centre for Policy Research ; and Shri Subhomoy Bhattacharjee, Consulting Editor, Business Standard addressed the Hon'ble Members of Parliament on " Finance Bill and Appropriation Bill ".



A view of Capacity Building Programme for Members of Parliament; A Series of Lecture on Union Budget: Finance Bill and Appropriation Bill.



Shri N. K Singh, Chairman, Finance Commission (XV) ; Shri A. N Jha, Member, Finance Commission (XV); Shri Anoop Singh, Member, Finance Commission (XV); and Dr. Ashok Lahiri, Member, Finance Commission (XV) addressed the Hon'ble Members of Parliament.



Shri Kamlesh Varshney, Joint Secretary, CBDT, Shri GD Lohani, Joint Secretary, CBIC and Dr. Pinaki Chakraborty, Director, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy, addressed the Hon'ble Members of Parliament on the General Provisions of Union Budget and Direct/ Indirect Tax.



APPRECIATION COURSE IN PARLIAMENTARY PROCESSES & PROCEDURES

For Graduate Trainees of Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC)

February, 2021 | New Delhi

An online Appreciation Course was organised for 250 Officer Trainees of Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures on 2nd and 3rd February 2021. The course broadly covered a series of interesting lectures on the Budgetary process in Parliament, Wit and Humour in Indian Parliament and Legislative Process in Parliament. The programme saw distinguished speakers like Hon'ble Member of Parliament Shri Bhagwat Karad, Shri N. K. Premchandran, and Shri Ajay (Teni) Mishra sharing their knowledge and understanding of the subject.



Hon'ble Members of Parliament Shri N K Premachandran and Shri Ajay Misra 'Teni', addressing the participants.

APPRECIATION COURSE

Appreciation courses are intended to provide the participants direct exposure to the environment, culture & traditions of parliamentary institutions and to enable them to understand the nature of their role and place in the overall parliamentary system.

The civil services officers are generally held accountable for the implementation of policies and programmes approved by the parliament. Hence it is necessary for officers who are a part of the permanent executive committee to have a sound understanding of the pre-eminent role of Parliament in our democratic system. The Parliamentary Research and Training Institute for Democracies (PRIDE) frequently organises such courses in parliamentary processes and procedures for the Officer Trainees of All India and Central Services of the Government of India to familiarise them with important topics for better governance. Previously, the appreciation courses were mainly organized for civil services recruits but in order to reach larger services and expose them to Parliamentary functioning, the programme has been expanded by PRIDE to include new recruits of the Banking sector and PSUs as well.

WEBCAST



Prominent programmes are streamed live and also their recordings are available on the dedicated webcast portal. Kindly visit the website webcast.gov.in/parliament for more information.

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APPRECIATION COURSE IN PARLIAMENTARY PROCESSES & PROCEDURES

For Probationers of the Indian Railway Protection Force Service (IRPFS) and Indian Railways Personnel Service (IRPS)

March | New Delhi

An online Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Railways Personnel Service (IRPS) & Indian Railway Protection Force Service (IRPFS) was organized on 18th & 19th March 2021. Hon'ble Member of Parliament Shri Arvind Sawant delivered the inaugural lecture on "Parliament in the Indian Polity." Former Member of Parliament Shri P. D. Rai also delivered a keynote lecture on day one of the programme. . The second day was marked by Hon'ble Members of Parliament Shri Bhupender Yadav, Ms Saroj Pandey and Smt Jaskaur Meena, who addressed the participants and shared their knowledge & experience on the subject.



Hon'ble Members of Parliament Shri Bhupender Yadav, Smt. Jaskaur Meena, and Shri Arvind Ganpat Sawant interacting with the participants.



CELEBRATING INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

A series of lectures/panel discussion

March | New Delhi

Furthermore, Hon'ble Members of Parliament Smt Navneet Ravi Rana and Smt Jaskaur Meena shared their thoughts on the portrayal of women in online media. Smt Shyamala S. Kundar, Member, National Commission for women, Smt Geeta Luthra, Advocate, Delhi High Court, and Dr Seema Rao, Commando Trainer also participated.

Hon'ble Members of Parliament Dr Fauzia Khan and Smt Geeta Kora, Ms Daisy Thakur, Chairperson, Himachal State Women Commission discussed how women participation in the political-social sector is crucial. Smt Babita Phoghat, Indian wrestler, Smt Leela Ben Ankoliya, Chairperson, Gujarat State Women Commission discussed the invisibility of women in sports. Smt Anuradha Das Mathur, Founder & Dean Vedic Scholars Programme for Women and Ms Nida Khanam,

HR & Business Mentor discussed the idea of participation of women in the workforce. Hon'ble Member of Parliament Smt Jaskaur Meena, Smt Laxmi Tripathi, Acharya Mahamandaleshwar of Kinnar Akhada, Padmashri Dr Sindhutai Sapkal, Social Activist and Ms Laxmi Agrawal, Acid Attack Survivor also shared their valuable views and experiences during the panel discussions. Hon'ble Member of Parliament Dr Sanghamitra Maurya, Hon'ble Member of Parliament Dr Amee Yajnik, Smt Rekha Sharma, Chairperson, National Commission for Women, Smt Preeti Bharadwaj, Chairperson, Haryana Rajya Mahila Aayog, Padmashri Dr Manjula Angani, Indian obstetrician and gynaecologist, and Smt Bijay Laxmi Nanda, Principal Miranda House College, also participated and threw light upon major challenges faced by women. Not only problems but also solutions were discussed amongst panelists.



STUDY VISIT FOR THE TRIBAL REPRESENTATIVES

Attending the Republic Day Parade to represent the Scheduled Tribes of various states and UTs.



Tribal Guests at the Parliament House Complex.

January | New Delhi

In coordination with the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, PRIDE organized a study visit for the Tribal Representatives who had participated in the 72nd Annual Republic Day parade to represent the Scheduled Tribes of various states and UTs on 27th January 2021. The visit consisted of a tour to the Parliament Museum and the Parliament House which included the Chambers of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha, and the Central Hall. The representatives were also briefed about the processes and the procedures of the Parliament.

ONLINE TRAINING PROGRAMME ON PARLIAMENTARY PROCESSES & PROCEDURES

For the officers of various Ministries/Departments of Government of India

January, 2021 | New Delhi

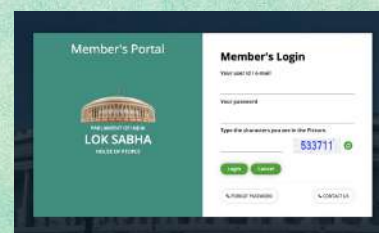
A one-day online programme was organized on Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for the officers of different Ministries and Departments of the Government of India on 20 January 2021. This was the second round of the programme in continuation of the earlier programme organised on 8th December 2020. A continuous exchange between the Ministries of Government of India and the secretariat of the Houses of the Parliament is essential for the efficient and smooth functioning of the Parliament. A clear understanding of various rules and procedures for the conduct of business, Speaker's ruling and other precedents is required by the Ministries/Departments of Government of India for efficient handling of diverse nature of Parliamentary work.

ONLINE TRAINING PROGRAMME ON MEMBER'S E - PORTAL

For Personal Assistants (PAs) of Member of Parliament

January, 2021 | New Delhi

The Member's E - Portal is a digital platform that provides an online facility for the submission of notices and other services. PRIDE organised an online training programme on Member's e-portal for Personal Assistants of Members of Parliament on 27th and 28th January 2021. This was the third round of the programme, wherein the previous rounds were conducted in July and August 2020. The program received positive feedback from the participants.



Login page of the Member's E - Portal.



LOK SABHA INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Lok Sabha Training Programme for Innovation, Research & Development (LSTPIRD) 2021



Lok Sabha Interns (LSTPIRD 2021) are seen in the PRIDE with Shri Prasenjit Singh, Joint Secretary, Dr. Deepak Gosain, Director and Shri Raj Kumar, Addl. Director, Lok Sabha Secretariat.

Lok Sabha Secretariat under the leadership of Hon' Speaker, Lok Sabha every year provides an opportunity to passionate young minds from different fields to learn about the procedural aspects of the working of the Indian Parliament, especially Lok Sabha with the Lok Sabha Internship Programme. The services of young talent with expertise in their area of study, well versed with the advanced technologies is used for quality enhancement and acceleration of various ongoing programs and research. The inducted interns are expected to enrich the organisation with the preparation of research briefs, background notes, monographs, data compilation, ready reference notes on important national and international issues, prepare analysis briefs of different legislations, track important developments in important sectors and prepare notes, and write thematic briefs on the important policy. Further, their intellect and abilities are also used for widening the scope and outreach of existing programs as well as introducing new programs.

The duration of the internship is from 3 months to 11 months. For the current batch of 2021, a total number of 21 interns from diverse backgrounds were selected. The programme commenced on 10th February 2021. Currently, the interns are working on both individual and group projects. Some of the prominent projects are SOPs for Panchayati Raj Institutions, Newsletter, Know Your Constitution (KYC), MPLADs, Local Self Governance, Waste Management in the Parliament, Blockchain Implementation, Linking of Indian Parliament to other Parliaments, Mobile Application, SWAYAM Project, Alumni Network, Parliamentary Diplomacy in Indian Foreign Policy, Good Governance, Legislative Impact Assessment, and Strategic & Targeted Implementation of UN Sustainable Goals.

INFRASTRUCTURE



LECTURE HALL 'B'



PRIDE READING ROOM



COFFEE ROOM



MAIN LECTURE HALL



LECTURE HALL 'A'



COMPUTER ROOM



PRIDE LOUNGE



LECTURE HALL 'C'



REMEMBERING FATHER OF THE LOK SABHA



Shri Ganesh Vasudev Mavalankar

Shri Ganesh Vasudev Mavalankar, fondly remembered as 'Dadasaheb' Mavalankar was the first speaker of the Lok Sabha. Shri Mavalankar was a statesman and known for his patience, perseverance, wisdom and above all a remarkable scholar of history. He was conferred the title 'Father of Lok Sabha' following his invaluable and immense contribution by the First & Former Prime Minister of India, Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru. G.V Mavalankar was born on 27 November 1888 at Baroda, part of modern-day Gujarat. He pursued a bachelor degree in Science from the Gujarat College in Ahmedabad and passed his law examination with First Class in 1912.

In the wake of India's Independence, Mavalankar presided over the committee constituted on 20 August 1947 to study and report on the need to separate the constitution-making role of the Constituent Assembly from

its legislative role. He became the speaker of the Provisional Parliament on 26 November 1949. He took a keen interest in forming the rules, practises, procedures and conventions necessary for the smooth functioning of a representative Parliament in a nascent democracy. He supported several initiatives which are in practice even today including organizing the Conference of presiding officers of legislative bodies in India. Several key committees such as the Rules Committee, Committee of Privileges, the Business Advisory Committee, Committee on Private Members Bill were established during his tenure. He was also very supportive of promoting research and encouraged reforms in the functioning of the parliament. On his death, a grateful nation and its Parliament paid rich tributes to its distinguished Speaker who, along with other founders of the Republic, laid solid foundations for parliamentary democracy in India. Through five decades of selfless service, Mavalankar left a deep imprint of his personality in every area he was associated with. Unquestionably the greatest impact has been on the office of the Speaker and on Parliament.

INTERESTING FACT

At the very entrance of the Parliament House building, a sanskrit quotation is inscribed on Gate no 1, which reminds one of the sovereignty of the nation of which Parliament is the visible symbol.

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(छन्दो. २२४८)

"Open the door to thy people
And let us see thee
For the obtaining of the
sovereignty."

(Chandu 2248)

Sanskrit quotation inscribed at the entrance of Gate no. 01 and its english equivalent.

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NEW PARLIAMENT BUILDING

Salient features of the New Parliament Building Project

Hon Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi laid the foundation for the New Parliament Building on 10 December 2020 at Plot No. 118, Parliament House Complex. The new building is expected to be ready by 2022, coinciding with the 75th anniversary of India's independence. The parliamentary activities and workload have increased manifold over the years. The number of seats in the House of People is also likely to go up after 2026 in the process of delimitation. This all has mounted up the requirement for a new parliament building.

The building will be a four-storey structure and will replace the existing colonial structure which will complete 100 years in 2021. The new building will be 17,000 sqm larger than the present structure and will have a grand constitutional hall, multiple committee rooms, a lounge for members of parliament, a dining room, a library, and ample parking space. New Parliament House will accommodate around 64% and 57% more seats in Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha respectively. Also, the new building will be able to accommodate 1224 Members of Parliament during the Joint Session within the Loksabha Chamber.



Computer-based representation of the New Parliament Building.

IMPORTANT DATES

April 07 - World Health Day
April 21 - National Civil Service Day
April 22 - World Earth Day
April 24 - National Panchayati Day
May 01 - International Labour Day
May 01 - Maharashtra Day
May 11 - National Technology Day
May 21 - National Anti - Terrorism Day
May 24 - National Commonwealth Day
June 05 - World Environment Day
June 12 - Anti - Child Labour Day
June 20 - World Refugee Day
June 21 - International Yoga Day
June 22 - International Olympic Day

The national bird Peacock will be the theme of the Lok Sabha Chamber. While the Lotus will form the centerpiece of the Rajya Sabha chamber. The Central Lounge courtyard will be symbolized by the magnificent Banyan tree architecture. The new theme of the Parliament building will showcase the cultural diversity of the country. It would also incorporate regional arts and crafts. Artisans and sculptures from across the country would be employed to complete the new structure, symbolising the Atmanirbhar Bharat. The New Parliament Building will host different facilities including a desk in front of every seat in both the chambers. Also, the building will be equipped with the latest technology like PTZ cameras, a complete voice-video integrated communication system, Multimedia Unit integrated with microphone, speaker, touchscreen, request buttons and voting, simultaneous language interpretation systems, and advanced audio recording facilities.



PARLIAMENTARY RESEARCH & TRAINING INSTITUTE FOR DEMOCRACIES

(Erstwhile BPST)

The programme and activities of the PRIDE include Seminars/workshops for Members of Parliament and State Legislatures on various subjects of Parliamentary interest; Orientation Programmes for Newly elected Members of Parliament and State Legislatures; Outreach and Familiarization Programme for the Panchayati Raj Institutions /Autonomous District Councils; Computer Awareness Programmes for Members of Parliament and Training programme for Personal Staff of Members of Lok Sabha to assist them in discharging effectively their duties; Lecture Series and Interactive Session with the Padma Awardees for the benefit of Hon'ble Members of Parliament; Appreciation Courses for Probationers of various All India and Central Services, Banks and Public Sectors; Training and Refresher Courses for officers of the Secretariats of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and State Legislatures; Customised Training Programmes, Attachment and Study Visits/tours for Foreign Parliamentarians and Parliamentary Officials; and Appreciation Courses for Senior and Middle Level Officers of the Government of India, including Officers of Defence Services and State Legislatures; Training Programmes for Media Personnel accredited to the Press Galleries of Parliament and State Legislatures; Study Visits for Government officers, academics, scholars, students and others. Since 1985, the PRIDE has been organising annually a Parliamentary Internship Programme and an International Programme in Legislative Drafting for Foreign Parliamentary Officials.

The PRIDE also looks after the training, exchange of visits and deputation abroad of legislative officials from India and of foreign legislative personnel in India. Besides, the PRIDE has been entrusted with the task of conducting the Lok Sabha Internship Programme which was launched in January 2008 in order to provide an opportunity to young men and women with outstanding academic and extracurricular achievements to acquaint themselves with the working of parliamentary democracy and democratic institutions in general and specifically about the Indian parliamentary system.

MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY GENERAL

“Since its establishment in the Lok Sabha Secretariat, the Parliamentary Research and Training Institute for Democracies has played a critical role in the capacity building of all stakeholders invested in the system of parliamentary democracy in India and the world. To its credit, PRIDE organised a large number of training programmes and workshops, both in on-line and off-line modes, in a short period of time which participants have found beneficial. The newsletter will open a window into the activities being planned and hosted by PRIDE, which I am sure, readers will find useful. I wish PRIDE and the editorial team of the newsletter 'गौरव' all success in their endeavour.”

Shri Utpal Kumar Singh



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