

Rajya Sabha and its Secretariat: A Performance Profile – 2017



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PREFACE

This publication seeks to present in a nutshell information about the work transacted by the Rajya Sabha, its Committees and the Rajya Sabha Secretariat during the year 2017. It is meant to familiarise the stakeholders with different aspects of the functioning of the Rajya Sabha.

I hope Members of Parliament and those interested in the working of Parliament will find this publication informative and useful.

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Secretary-General, Rajya Sabha.

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House at Work

In 2017, the Rajya Sabha had 57 sittings - 29 days during the 242nd Session, 19 days during the 243rd Session and 9 days during the 244th Session. However, the 244th Session continued till 5 January, 2018. Therefore, including 4 days of 244th Session* which spilled over to the year 2018, the House sat for 61 days in all, during the three Sessions of the year 2017. Accordingly, during the three Sessions, the House sat for 258 hours and 10 minutes. Further, 72 hours and 45 minutes of the House were lost due to disruptions. The House, however, made up 17 hours and 1 minute of this loss by sitting late or by skipping lunch/recess.

Summons for the 242nd Session (Budget Session) of the Rajya Sabha was issued on 6 January,

2017. The Session was held in two parts, *i.e.* from 31 January, 2017 to 9 February, 2017 and from 9 March, 2017 to 12 April, 2017. The first part of the Session, which commenced on 31 January, 2017 was adjourned on 9 February, 2017. The House re-

Sessions 2017	Date of Summons/ reconvening	Date of Commen- cement	Number of Sittings	Date of Termination (Adjournment sine die)	Date of Prorogation	Actual Hours of Sittings HrsMts.
242 rd	6Jan., 2017	31 Jan., 2017	29	12 Apr., 2017	12 Apr., 2017	136-18
243 rd	27 June, 2017	17 July, 2017	19	11 Aug.,2017	12 Aug.,2017	81-03
244 th	25 Nov., 2017	15 Dec., 2017	13	5 Jan.,2018	5 Jan., 2018	40-59

assembled on 9 March, 2017 for the second part of the Session and adjourned *sine die* on 12 April, 2017. This being the first Session of the year 2017, the President addressed Members of both the Houses of Parliament assembled together in the Central Hall on 31 January, 2017. Summons for the 243rd Session of the Rajya Sabha was issued on 27 June, 2017. The 243rd Session commenced on 17 July, 2017 and adjourned *sine die* on 11 August, 2017. The House was prorogued by President on 12 August, 2017. Summons for the 244th Session of the Rajya Sabha was issued on 25 November, 2017. The 244th Session commenced on 15 December, 2017 and adjourned *sine die* on 5 January, 2018. The House was prorogued by the President on 5 January, 2018.

In total, 180 Lists of Business were issued with regard to the business of the House during the three Sessions. In all, 6165 papers and 376 Reports and Statements of various committees, including Department related Parliamentary Standing Committees, were laid on the Table of the House.

The average attendance of Members during the 242nd, 243rd and 244th Sessions was 160, 180 and 168, respectively. The highest attendance on a day during these Sessions was 178, 197 and 196 respectively.

Simultaneous interpretation of the proceedings of the House and its Committees is done from Hindi to English and *vice versa*. Arrangements also exist for simultaneous interpretation of speeches made in Bengali, Gujarati, Kannada, Malayalam, Odia, Punjabi, Tamil, Reference made by the Hon'ble Chairman in his Valedictory Remarks regarding exemplary performance of the House during Question Hour on 2 January, 2018.

On 5 January, 2018 at the conclusion of 244th Session, while Hon'ble Chairman in his Valedictory Remarks urged the Members to introspect regarding loss of functional time of the House on account of disruptions, he also expressed his immense satisfaction on taking up all the listed Starred Questions on 2 January, 2018. He said 'I am glad to note that the leaders of all the parties in the House and the hon'ble Members as well were delighted over the positive media reports of the House creating a record of taking up all the listed Starred Questions on 2 January, 2018 in the beginning of the year and after 15 long years. I am happy to note that there has been a certain degree of change in the way the proceedings were held in this august House, further to this exemplary performance. The need of the hour is to carry this spirit into the future'.

^{*} As 244th Session concluded on 5 January, 2018, all Sessions related information has been incorporated till that day in the publication.

Telugu and Urdu into English/Hindi. The facility of simultaneous interpretation is also provided on request for conferences and meetings of Consultative Committees of different Ministries.

Question Hour

The second hour of every sitting is devoted to the asking and answering of questions. During this Hour, Members exercise their right to seek information on various issues from the Government on the floor of the House. Questions, in fact, are used by Members as a device to review critically Government's performance in various fields, to assess the impact of the Government programmes and policies as well as to ventilate public grievances on various matters. During the three Sessions of 2017, a total of 26,511 notices of questions, both starred and unstarred, were received of which 10,838 were admitted and 1730 notices were admitted by clubbing therewith. Out of these, 930 questions were listed as starred questions and of these, 236 questions, constituting around 25%, were actually taken up for oral answer in the House. Besides, 9 statements were made or laid by the Ministers correcting replies given by them to the questions in the Rajya Sabha. In regard to Short Notice Questions, 2 notices were received and none was admitted. Besides, 7 notices for Half-an-Hour Discussion, arising out of the answers given to starred/unstarred questions, were received. Out of these, one was admitted but was not discussed on the floor of the House.

Legislative Business

During the year 2017, the Rajya Sabha held sixty-one (61) sittings in three Sessions, namely, 242nd, 243rd and 244th. Out of the 61 sittings, the House transacted Government Legislative Business and Private Members' Legislative Business in forty (40) and eight (8) sittings respectively. No Government Bill was introduced during the year, while five (5) Bills which were introduced prior to the year 2017 and pending in the Rajya Sabha, were withdrawn during the year. Three (3) Bills which originated in the Rajya Sabha (not introduced in the year 2017) were also considered and passed during the year. Sixty-five (65) Private Members' Bills were introduced in the Rajya Sabha and seven (7) were considered, of which six (6) Bills were withdrawn. In total, forty-four (44) Bills (Annexure I) were passed/returned/deemed to be passed by the Rajya Sabha during 2017.

The following are some of the statistics relating to Bills which ca before Rajya Sabha during the year 2017:	me up
Out of total 61 sittings held during three sessions of 2017, number of sittings during which the Government Bills were introduced, considered or laid/reported as passed by the Lok Sabha	40
Number of sittings during which the Private Members' Bills were introduced or considered	08
Number of Government Bills introduced	00
Number of Private Members' Bills introduced	65
Number of Government Bills withdrawn/fallen through during the year	05
Number of Government Bills negatived	00
Number of Private Members' Bills passed	00
Number of Private Members' Bills withdrawn	06
Number of Private Members' Bills negatived	01
Number of Private Members' Bills on which debate adjourned/terminated	00
Number of Government Bills transmitted by Lok Sabha	49
Number of Government Bills transmitted by Lok Sabha with amendments	02
Number of Government Bills originated in and transmitted by Rajya Sabha	01
Number of Government Bills transmitted by Rajya Sabha with amendments	06
Number of Government Bills introduced in the Rajya Sabha and referred to the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committees	00
Number of Bills referred to the Select Committee of Rajya Sabha	02
Number of Bills reported by the Select Committee of Rajya Sabha	02
Number of Bills referred to the Joint Committees of the Houses of Parliament	01
Number of Bills reported by the Joint Committees of the Houses of Parliament	00
Number of Government Bills considered	34*
Number of Government Bills passed/returned/deemed passed	45#
Number of Government Bills pending at the commencement of the year	40
Number of Government Bills pending at the end of the year	39
Number of Private Members' Bills pending at the commencement of the year	121
Number of Private Members' Bills pending at the end of the year	152
Number of Bills passed by the Houses of Parliament and assented to by the President	44
Number of Bills on which assent of the President was obtained by the Rajya Sabha Secretariat	19
* Out of 34 Bills, 33 Bills have received the assent of the President and namely, the Constitution (One Hundred and Twenty-third Amendment) Bill as passed by Lok Sabha, was passed by Rajya Sabha with amendment returned to Lok Sabha, is pending in Lok Sabha.	2017,
# Out of 45 Bills, 11 Bills were deemed to have been passed by both Ho Parliament under Article 109(5) of the Constitution and 1 Bill, name Constitution (One Hundred and Twenty-third Amendment) Bill, 2017, as passed by Rajya Sabha with amendments and returned Sabha, is pending in Lok Sabha.	ly, the ssed by

Discussion on the working of the Ministries

During the year 2017, the working of the Ministry of Railways was discussed on 23.03.2017, 29.03.2017 and 30.03.2017.

Discussion on matters of urgent public importance

Procedural devices like 'Calling Attention' and 'Short Duration Discussion' were utilised by Members to raise Matters of Urgent Public Importance on the floor of the House. Besides, Members

raised Matters of Public Importance through 'Private Mention' and Members' 'Special Resolutions'. Issues of Urgent Public Importance were also raised by Members as 'Matters raised with of the Chairman' (Zero Submissions). Out of 1505 notices given by Members for 'Matters raised with permission of the Chairman', 333 matters were allowed to be raised. During the year, in all 213 Matters of Public Importance were mentioned in the House through Special Mention.

Seventy (70) Calling Attention notices on the matters of urgent public importance were received of which 4 were admitted. However, only three (3) Calling Attention notices could be taken up for discussion (*Annexure II*). The notice on the 'Situation arising due to the construction of barrages and check dam over river Mahanadi by Chhattisgarh Government' by Shri A.U. Singh Deo, M.P. was admitted but could not be taken up.

Further, 99 notices of Short Duration Discussion were received, out of which notices on seven (7) matters were admitted and discussed in the House (*Annexure III*). Notice for Short Duration Discussion on 'Right to play and future of sports in

India', by Shri Sachin Ramesh Tendulkar, M.P. was admitted for 21.12.2017 but could not be taken up for discussion due to repeated disruptions in the House.

Merging of Budget (General) and Budget (Railways) as Union Budget and advancing its presentation to Parliament by a month

A development of historical significance took place during the Budget Session when the General and Railway Budgets were merged for the first time and presented as Budget (General) 2017-18 to the Lok Sabha. It was laid on the Table of Rajya Sabha on 1 February, 2017, thus departing from old colonial era convention/tradition of presenting the Budgets at the end of February. The presentation of the Union Budget was advanced by almost a month from the earlier practice of presenting it on 28 February. Therefore, the Budget Session of 2017 commenced on 31 January, 2017 and was adjourned sine-die on 12 April, 2017.

As mentioned above, earlier the Budget was presented to

the Parliament on last working day of February and the Session used to continue till mid-May. During this period, the budgetary proposals were discussed and passed by the Parliament. Hence, the full budgetary proposals could take effect only from May or June of the new Financial Year which commences from 1 April of every year, therefore delaying the proposed schemes and allocations. To cover the expenditure of the Central Ministries for the two months (April and May), vote on account as provided under Article 116 of the Constitution, was passed by Parliament in March to give part of the allocated money to the Central Ministries to sustain/continue with their activities. Therefore, in order to complete the legislative approval of budgetary proposals and allocations on time so that they could be fully effective from the very commencement of the Financial Year, it was decided that Budget be presented on 1 February, thus advancing the Session by one month.

Private Members' Resolutions

During the 242nd Session, five (5) Private Members' Resolutions were admitted and two were taken up for discussion. The resolution moved by Shri Tiruchi Siva, M.P. regarding need to amend the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960 was discussed and withdrawn by leave of the House. Shri Vishambhar Prasad Nishad, M.P. moved his resolution regarding need to develop the Bundelkhand region. Discussion on the same could not be concluded and it lapsed along with other resolutions as no sense of the House could be obtained to carry forward the same to the next Session. During the 243rd and 244th Sessions, none of the listed Resolutions could be taken up and, hence, all of them lapsed with the prorogation of the Sessions.

Statutory Resolutions

Ten (10) notices of Statutory Resolutions were received and processed during the year. Of these four (4) Resolutions were adopted, three (3) were negatived, one (1) was withdrawn and two (2) Resolutions could not be moved (*Annexure IV*).

Government Resolutions

Five (5) notices of Government Resolutions were received and processed during the year (*Annexure V*). These notices were admitted; however, none of them could be moved.

Motions under Rule 168 (No Day-Yet-Named Motions)

During the year 2017, a total number of 11 notices were received out of which 8 were admitted. However, none of the admitted Motions was taken up for discussion in the House.

Privilege Cases

During the year 2017, twenty-four (24) notices of breach of privilege and other related matters were received, processed and examined. Two (2) meetings of the Committee of Privileges were held during the year 2017.

Resolution adopted on 75th Anniversary of Quit India Movement

On 9 August, 2017 on the occasion of the 75th Anniversary of the Quit India Movement, the Hon'ble Chairman moved the following Resolution:

"This House recalls that seventy five years ago Mahatma Gandhi called for the British to Quit India and gave the clarion call 'Do or Die' to the Indian people to end the British Rule; observes on the 75th Anniversary of the 'Quit India Movement' that it is important to remember the heroic struggle of the Indian people: students, peasants, women, workers and Government officials who defied the brutal repression of the British Raj to launch mass Satyagraha that shook the very foundation of the British rule; acknowledges that this is also an occasion to recall with gratitude the sacrifices of millions of our people and salute the memory of thousands of Indians, who gave their lives for the freedom of India; and on this day solemnly takes a pledge to uphold and safeguard the values and ideals of the freedom movement and re-dedicate ourselves to build an India that is strong, self-reliant, inclusive, secular and democratic."

The Resolution was unanimously adopted by the House.

The Committee presented its sixty-fifth Report to the House on 25.07.2017 regarding matter of breach of privilege arising out of alleged premature disclosure of C&AG report to the press before its laying on the Table. The Report *inter alia* stated:

.....In view of the mandate of Article 151 of the Constitution the Committee feels that the Right of the Members of Parliament to have access to the reports of the C&AG before anybody else is pre-eminent. The Committee is of the opinion that any leakage of the contents of the C&AG Report before its presentation to the House, though technically is not a breach of privilege of the House, nevertheless is a serious matter and is an act of impropriety. These reports, therefore, should not be made available in the public domain before they are laid on the Table of the House.....The Committee therefore, recommends that the regulations/standing orders/instructions related to the preparation and finalization of the audit report of the C&AG and its compliance mechanism should be further strengthened to keep the whole process strictly confidential and to prevent any premature disclosure of the draft or the final report in the public domain before a report is laid before each House of Parliament.

Felicitations to the Vice-President of India and Chairman, Rajya Sabha

On 5 August, 2017 Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu was elected as the Vice-President of India, who is also *ex-officio* Chairman, Rajya Sabha. On 11 August, 2017, he took oath of office of the Vice-President and presided over the Rajya Sabha for the first time. He was accorded a warm welcome by the hon'ble Prime Minister, hon'ble Leader of the House, hon'ble Leader of the Opposition, hon'ble Deputy Chairman, leaders of various political parties and some Members of the House. While congratulating the Vice-President, the hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi said that Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu is the first Vice-President of India who was born in Independent India and has long experience in the functioning of the House, its Committees and its procedures and processes. Commending Shri Naidu for his hard work, dedication and eloquence, the Prime Minister expressed the hope that Shri Naidu

would strive to enhance the dignity of the office of the Vice-President and Chairman, Rajya Sabha. Members belonging to various political parties while offering their felicitations to Shri Naidu hailed him

for his phenomenal rise from a humble background to the exalted position of the Vice-President of India. Acknowledging his vast experience in legislative and parliamentary affairs, Members expressed the hope that Shri Naidu would strike a fine balance between the need for making time available for raising issues of public importance and the transaction of government business so as to ensure effective functioning of the House. They also expressed the hope and confidence that under his able stewardship, the dignity and decorum of the august House would be further enhanced.

While responding to the felicitations of the Members, hon'ble Chairman expressed his gratitude to the hon'ble Members of Parliament for reposing their faith and confidence in him and entrusting him with such high responsibility. Highlighting the challenges of poverty, illiteracy, inequality faced by the country even after seventy years of independence, Shri Naidu emphasised the urgent need to address these critical issues and work collectively in the pursuit of common national goals. He observed, "Our democratic polity allows flourishing of different ideas and thoughts on a range of socio-economic issues. But adversarial politics should not be allowed to have adverse impact on the functioning of Parliament, which, in turn, impacts the progress of our nation." He

15th Presidential and Vice-Presidential Elections, 2017

The elections to the offices of the President and Vice-President of India are regulated by the Presidential and Vice-Presidential Elections Act, 1952 and the rules made thereunder. Members of the Rajya Sabha discharged their electoral obligation in the elections to the two highest constitutional offices of the country, *i.e.* President of India, on 17 July, 2017 and the Vice-President of India, on 5 August, 2017.

For the purpose of these elections, it has been the established practice that the Secretary-General of the Rajya Sabha/Lok Sabha is appointed as Returning Officer by the Election Commission of India. The then Secretary-General, Lok Sabha, Shri Anoop Mishra, was the Returning Officer for the Presidential Election 2017, while the then Secretary-General, Rajya Sabha, Shri Shumsher K. Sheriff, was the Returning Officer for the Vice-Presidential Elections 2017.

On 20 July, 2017, **Shri Ram Nath Kovind** was declared elected as the **14**th **President of India** and on 25 July, 2017, he was sworn in by the then Chief Justice of India, Justice Jagdish Singh Khehar, at a solemn function held in the Central Hall of Parliament House. On 5 August, 2017, **Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu** was declared elected as the **13**th **Vice-President of India**. He was administered oath of office of the Vice-President by Shri Ram Nath Kovind, President of India, at a ceremony held at the Rashtrapati Bhavan on 11 August, 2017.

added, "We may belong to different parties, but our common aim is to strengthen India, to make India stable, strong and prosperous and to see that the fruits of development reach the last man in the line, what you call the *Antyodaya* - uplifting the poorest of the poor." Expressing his concern on the issue of disruption of parliamentary proceedings and emphasizing the greater need for enlightened and meaningful debates and discussions on issues concerning people's welfare, the Hon'ble Chairman further observed, "... Parliament should be the voice of sanity, echoing their concerns and finding solutions to their problems as the best way forward." Urging the Members to utilise the time that is available in an

effective manner, he said, "The best way of enforcing accountability of the Executive by the Opposition is to engage the Government and corner them in an informed debate." He also advised the media to focus more on constructive debates in the House rather than giving undue weightage to sensationalism, controversies and negativism. He also urged the Members to work in the spirit of a competitive and cooperative federalism to quicken the pace of development, to offer more opportunities to people for bettering their lives and play the role of a catalyst in fulfilling this national quest. Hon'ble Chairman assured the Members that he would endeavour to uphold the dignity of the high office and live upto the trust reposed in him and remain open to the suggestions of the Members for improving the functioning of the House as per their collective wisdom.

Hon'ble Chairman's observation on Statement made by the Ministers/Members while laying papers in the House.

As a practice, a Minister while laying papers in the House used to say 'Sir, I beg to lay the papers....listed against my name in today's List of Business'. On 15 December, 2017, Hon'ble Chairman made a departure from the past practice by suggesting to the Ministers and the Members who were to lay the Papers on the Table not to use the word 'beg' while laying papers. He said that instead they could say, "I rise to place on the Table of the House...". He added that as we live in an independent India, there was no need to beg for laying the Paper. He, however, made it clear that it was only a suggestion and not a direction.

Motion regarding removal of a Judge of High Court under Article 217 read with Article 124(4) of the Constitution.

A Motion given by 58 Members of Rajya Sabha under Article 217 read with Article 124(4) of the Constitution for removal of Mr. Justice S.K. Gangele, Judge, Madhya Pradesh High Court was admitted by Hon'ble Chairman, Rajya Sabha on 4 March, 2015. A notification dated the 15 April, 2015 was issued regarding constitution of a Committee under Sub-section (2) of Section 3 of the Judges (Inquiry) Act, 1968, by the Chairman, Rajya Sabha for the purpose of making an investigation into the grounds on which the removal of Shri Justice S.K. Gangele of the Madhya Pradesh High Court was prayed for. The Report of the Judges Inquiry Committee was submitted to Chairman, Rajya Sabha on 5.9.2017 and was laid on the Table of Rajya Sabha on 15.12.2017 and in Lok Sabha on 18.12.2017. According to the report, allegations against Shri Justice S.K. Gangele were not proved and, therefore, no further action was taken by the House.

TABLE $Time\ taken\ by\ Rajya\ Sabha\ on\ various\ items\ of\ business\ during \\ the\ 242^{nd},\ 243^{rd}\ and\ 244^{th}\ Sessions$

~		Time Taken		
Subject	242 nd Hrs./Mts.	243 rd Hrs./Mts.	244 th Hrs./Mts.	
National Anthem/ Song	0-02	0-02	0-02	
President's Address to both Houses of Parliament laid on the Table	0-01	-	-	
Motion of Thanks on the President's Address	14-05	-	-	
Oath or Affirmation	0-02	0-03	-	
Obituary References	0-29	0-31	0-25	
Introduction of Secretary-General, Rajya Sabha	-	-	0-01	
Farewell to the Chairman	-	2-03	-	
Felicitations to the Chairman	-	2-21	-	
Felicitations by the Chair	-	-	0-04	
Ruling/ Reference/ Observation/ Announcement by the Chair	0-05	2-15	0-04	
Resolution on the 75 th Anniversary of the Quit India Movement	-	0-02	-	
Introduction of Ministers by the Prime Minister	-	-	0-02	
Farewell to Retiring Members	-	1-28	0-33	
Resignation by Members	0-02	0-02	0-02	
Disqualification of Members on Ground of Defection	-	-	0-02	
Questions of Privilege	-	0-04	-	
Questions	22-03	8-08	4-55	
Statements by Ministers Correcting Answers to Questions	0-03	0-03	0-01	
Matters raised with permission (Zero hour Submissions)	11-52	4-13	2-47	
Special Mentions	1-08	2-06	0-50	
Calling Attention to Matters of Urgent Public Importance	1-08	3-01	-	
Statements by Ministers	1-36	0-17	0-46	
Short Duration Discussions (Discussion Under Rule 176)	9-51	17-11	5-58	
Supplementary Demands for Grants - Laid on the Table	0-02	0-01	0-02	
Budgets - Laid on the Table	0-01	-	-	
Budgets - General Discussion	13-16	-	-	

	Time Taken			
Subject	242 nd Hrs./Mts.	243 rd Hrs./Mts.	244 th Hrs./Mts.	
Resolution/ Government Resolution	-	-	0-01	
Statutory Resolution	0-04	0-07	0-14	
Government Legislative Business	24-28	17-47	14-13	
Private Members' Business				
- Private Members' Resolutions	4-56	0-01	-	
- Private Members' Bills	8-34	4-49	2-23	
Discussion on the Working of the Ministries	5-44	-	-	
Panel of Vice-Chairmen	-	-	0-01	
Petitions	-	0-01	0-03	
Papers Laid on the Table	0-43	0-31	0-37	
Motion for Suspension of Rule 272	0-01	-	-	
Statements regarding Ordinance(s) -Laid on the Table	0-01	-	-	
Reports/ Statements of the Committees Presented/Laid on the Table	0-48	0-29	0-23	
Report and Evidence of the Select Committee on the Constitution (One Hundred and Twenty-Third Amendment) Bill, 2017	-	0-01	-	
Report of the Select Committee on the Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Bill, 2017	-	-	0-01	
Report of the Inquiry Committee under the Judges (Inquiry) Act, 1968	-	-	0-01	
Report of Indian Parliamentary Participation at International Conferences	-	0-01	-	
Information to the House	0-07	0-31	-	
Cancellation of Sittings of Rajya Sabha	0-02	-	-	
Leave of Absence	0-07	0-03	0-02	
Motions for Election/ Appointment of Members to various Committees/ Bodies	0-05	0-08	0-07	
Motion for Extension of Time for Presentation of the Reports of the Select Committee on the Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Bill 2017	-	-	0-01	
Messages from the Lok Sabha-Reported/ Government Bills Laid on the Table	0-19	0-18	0-17	
Recommendations of the Business Advisory Committee	0-10	0-03	0-04	

		Time Taken		
Subject	242 nd Hrs./Mts.	243 rd Hrs./Mts.	244 th Hrs./Mts.	
Statements regarding Government Business	0-08	0-06	0-09	
Cancellation of Sitting of Rajya Sabha	-	-	0-01	
Valedictory Remarks	0-04	0-03	0-08	
Points raised	14-11	12-13	5-39	
Total	136-18	81-03	40-59	



Committees

Parliamentary work is transacted not only in the House but also in the Committees, which, in fact, are called mini legislatures. There are at present 12 Standing Committees of the House, to which Members are nominated by the Chairman, Rajya Sabha. With a view to streamline the committee system and making the parliamentary scrutiny of the executive wider and effective, the number of Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committees was increased from 17 to 24 in July 2004, out of which, eight function under the control and direction of the Chairman, Rajya Sabha and sixteen function under the direction and control of the Speaker, Lok Sabha. The membership of these Committees was also reduced from 45 to 31, out of which 10 members are from the Rajya Sabha and 21 are from the Lok Sabha.

During the year 2017, out of a total of 75 reports (*Annexure VI*) presented by the Committees of Rajya Sabha, 64 reports were presented by the eight Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committees which are serviced by the Rajya Sabha Secretariat. The information relating to number of reports presented by the Committees is given in the Table below:

TABLE

Number of reports presented by the Committees of the Rajya Sabha during the year 2017

Sl. No.	Name of Committee	No of Reports
1.	Committee on Subordinate Legislation	4
2.	Committee on Petitions	2
3.	Committee on Government Assurances	1
4.	Committee on Papers Laid on the Table	3
5.	Committee on Rules	-
6.	Committee of Privileges	1
7.	House Committee	-
8.	Committee on Members of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme (MPLADS)	-
9.	Committee on Ethics	-
10.	Business Advisory Committee [‡]	-
11.	Committee on Provision of Computers for Members of Rajya Sabha§	-
12.	General Purposes Committees	-

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[†] The Reports are available online at the Rajya Sabha Website *i.e.* rajyasabha.nic.in under the links Committees→Standing Committees →Department Related (RS).

[‡] The Committee does not bring out the Report. Its recommendations are reported to the House by the Chair in the form of an announcement.

[§] These Committees do not bring out the Reports. The decisions of the Committees are incorporated in the minutes of the Committee meetings.

Sl. No.	Name of Committee	No of Reports
13.	Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Commerce	8
14.	Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Home Affairs	6
15.	Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Health and Family Welfare	7
16.	Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Human Resource Development	9
17.	Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Industry	6
18.	Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice	7
19.	Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests	8
20.	Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture	13



New Initiatives

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New Initiatives

Computerisation and e-governance initiatives

During the year 2017, after successfully completing numerous activities/initiatives outlined in the IT Plan for the period 2016 -18 in coordination with NIC and the User Sections of the Secretariat, IT Section (Hardware & Software) has initiated action with regard to modifications in the currently running applications. The primary IT activities/initiatives undertaken by the Section are as follows:

- (i) The Section had initiated provision of e-Governance training and exposure to Members of Rajya Sabha and Officials of the Secretariat through MeitY in the year, 2016. This was further carried forward in the year 2017 and around 50 officers benefitted from the short term and long term programmes.
- (ii) The year also saw the Secretariat taking major strides in placing relevant data on the Open Data Portal of Government of India under the National Data Sharing and Accessibility Policy (NDSAP). A total of 2553 datasets have been uploaded on the Portal in the year 2017.
- (iii) Facilitation Centre for Aadhaar Registration, Digital Locker System with e-sign DSC for Members of Rajya Sabha was organised during Sept.-Oct., 2017.
- (iv) It has been decided to redesign the Rajya Sabha Websites according to the latest technology available and to incorporate new features as required. Accordingly, the Committee of Officers of Rajya Sabha Secretariat and NIC set up for redesigning the Rajya Sabha Websites is working towards completion of the work through a NICSI empanelled professional agency, as per the Requirement Specifications Proposal prepared for the purpose and the Standard Operating Procedure.
- (v) The guidelines regarding purchase of Note Book/Laptop etc. by an officer of the rank of Deputy Secretary/equivalent and above were considered by the Secretariat and it was decided that a Laptop including standard software, not exceeding the maximum amount of Rs. 70,000/- would be issued to each eligible officers in phased manner.

During the year, some of the primary software activities that were undertaken, in coordination with NIC are as under:

- (i) **RS Files portal (Rajya Sabha Secretariat)**: RS files portal is a Digital searchable repository of all the old permanent files of the Sections of Rajya Sabha Secretariat. It is an Intranet based secured portal developed in DSpace with advanced search facility. Application can be accessed through user-id and password provided to each Section.
- (ii) Members LOGIN Portal (Hindi Version): Hindi Version of Members' Login Portal has been designed and developed. Portal has been released for the use of Members. The Portal provides a two way communication channel between the Members and the Rajya Sabha Secretariat. Information relating to services, Pay slip, TA/DA Bill Payments, MTNL/NDMC (Electricity/Water Bills), Committee Meeting Schedule, Today's Business, Verbatim Debates, Drinking Water and Sanitation Data etc. are delivered through the Portal Group SMS/Group e-mail.
- (iii) Rajya Sabha Credit and Thrift Society MIS: The online facility for submission of requests for society membership as well as for emergent and ordinary loans has been developed and

launched. The application for income expenditure report, balance sheet report, receipt payment report was modified; Dividend integrated with CD Interest functionality; applications for deduction of Society CGF from account, head wise Ledger Report, Yearly, Monthly and Daily Cashbook Report was prepared.

- (iv) **Preparation of Index of uncorrected debates**: New application was developed for Index preparation of uncorrected debates.
- (v) **E-Notice**: This application is for online submission of parliamentary notices by Members of Parliament (Rajya Sabha). Notices can be submitted either in English or Hindi. Members shall have the records of all previously submitted notices. Notice Office, Question Branch, Legislative Section and Bill Office have their own interface for accessing and processing of different types of notices. Security audit of this application has been completed.
- (vi) **Bilingual Web based Committee MIS**: A new web based Committee MIS catering to all the requirements of all committees, *e.g.* committee master information, membership, report publishing, sending SMS of meetings, tour details, bills, press release publishing, etc. was developed and its beta version was launched. All the feedbacks received from various Committee branches have been incorporated.

During the year 2017, the Secretariat issued Purchase Orders for the procurement of 65 Desktop Computers, 4 Laptops, 13 Printers, 92 UPS, 5 Apple iPads, 6 Handheld Computers, 16 Pen Drives and 2 External Hard Discs for use in the Rajya Sabha Secretariat.

M.A. Section: Re-development of MPs Flats located in North/South Avenue

To expedite the re-development of North Avenue and South Avenue M.Ps flats, the House Committee, serviced by M.A. Section, in its meeting held on 18 September, 2013 had given in principle approval for re-development of the existing old flats at North Avenue by demolishing the same in phases. In the first phase, it was decided to demolish flat nos. 1 to 64, North Avenue. The Committee also approved the revised plan of the project in its meeting held on 30 August, 2016. By demolishing the existing single flats, duplex flats having basement and state of the art facilities would be constructed. CPWD has obtained LBZ clearance from Prime Minister's Office, approval of plan from various agencies such as Delhi Urban Art Commission, NDMC etc. The Chairman, House Committee conveyed the administrative approval and expenditure sanction for Rs.10.25 crores to CPWD *vide* letter dated 5 June, 2017 for the construction of four duplex flats of Rajya Sabha Pool in the 1st phase. All the residential units of Rajya Sabha Pool to be demolished in the first phase, were got vacated and handed over to CPWD.

Department related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests: Exhibition on Scientific Innovations

At the initiative of Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests, an Exhibition on Science and Technological Innovations by Scientific Ministries/Departments coming under the purview of the Committee was organised from 28 July to 11 August, 2017 in Parliament House Annexe. The Exhibition was inaugurated by the then Hon'ble Chairman, Rajya Sabha.

Committee on Ethics: Approval for online mechanism for declaration of assets and liabilities

Pursuant to the approval granted by Committee on Ethics in its meeting held on 25 July, 2017 for evolving an online mechanism for submission of the declarations by the Members in respect of Assets and Liabilities and Pecuniary Interests through a portal on the website of Rajya Sabha, a format for developing the software was recommended by the Committee Section. Testing of the software so developed, is under process.

Committee Section (MPLADS): E-copy of the MPLADS guidelines

As a new initiative during the year 2017, an up-to-date e-copy of the Guidelines on MPLAD Scheme was maintained for ready reference. Modifications made in the existing Guidelines by the Nodal Ministry, *i.e.* Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation by way of Circulars issued from time to time were regularly incorporated in the e-copy.

Committee Co-ordination Section: Digital display of information regarding Committees

The process of digital display of information regarding Committee meetings on T.V. sets placed in Parliament House, Parliament House Annexe and Parliament Library Building was implemented for the convenience of Members. For this purpose, all Committee Branches were requested to provide information regarding meetings of the Committees, *viz.* name of the Committee, venue and time of the meetings of the Committee, minimum two working days in advance.

The Library, Reference, Research, Documentation and Information Service (LARRDIS: Publication on new Chairman, Rajya Sabha

A publication titled 'Welcome Mr. Chairman Sir (Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu)' was compiled. The publication is a compilation of the speeches delivered by the Hon'ble Prime Minister and the Members of Rajya Sabha to felicitate Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu on the occasion of his assuming the Office of the Chairman of Rajya Sabha and his response to the felicitations.

Verbatim Reporting Service: Index of Debates

As a new initiative, since 243rd Session of the Rajya Sabha, the Table of Contents of the Rajya Sabha Debates is being uploaded as 'Index' to enable Members to have a quick

Releasing of the third edition of the publication 'Rajya Sabha at Work'

A function was organised in the Parliament House Annexe, New Delhi on 21 March, 2017 to release the third edition of the publication titled 'Rajya Sabha at Work'. The book was released by Shri M. Hamid Ansari, the then Hon'ble Vice-President of India and Chairman, Rajya Sabha. This publication is updated every 10 years and comprehensively incorporates the changes made in the rules, procedures, customs and conventions of the House. It was first brought out in the year 1996 and the second edition in 2006.

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Training Cell: Capacity building of employees

One of the important assignments of the Training Cell is to explore new vistas for training of the employees of the Secretariat. During the year, the efforts and initiatives taken by the Training Cell have resulted in the re-establishment of the Secretariat's mainstay Overseas Training programme providing first time learning exposure to our Officers at London, United Kingdom on "Parliamentary Procedures" and Programme on "Organisation of Parliamentary Work" conducted by Ecole Nationale d'Administration (ENA), Paris. Besides invitations were extended to the Rajya Sabha by various other Parliaments for their programmes like the Parliamentary Officers Study Program of the Canadian Parliament, Inter Parliamentary Study Programme of the Australian Parliament, Commonwealth Sergeant at Arms Professional Development Conference at Canberra, Australia, Professional Development Programme at House of Commons, UK Parliament, etc. Besides these Overseas Programmes, the Secretariat has engaged with the Administrative Staff College of India, Hyderabad towards nomination of our Officers in its various relevant capacity building programmes. Efforts are on towards indentifying suitable Institutes for providing training on the advanced aspects of Legislative Drafting and also engaging with other Parliaments through Exchange/Study Programmes. Various other new initiatives like designing of Induction level training programmes, Customised Management Development programmes etc. are at various stages of progress.



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Parliament and the People

There are two Reception Offices located in the Parliament House Complex, one at Parliament House (PH) and the other at the Parliament House Annexe (PHA). These Reception Offices help visitors to meet Members of Parliament, Ministers, officers and staff of the Rajya Sabha Secretariat. The Reception Offices also issue entry passes to the officials of the Ministries/ Departments coming to the Parliament House and the Parliament House Annexe in connection with their official work. In the year 2017, these Reception Offices issued 57430 entry passes/permits in all in favour of the family members/guests of Hon'ble Members of Parliament, guests of the officials of Rajya Sabha Secretariat and officials who reported for duty inside Parliament House Complex during the session and intersession period. These included 34048 (including show-round) passes issued from the Reception Office, PH; 22609 from Reception Office, PHA and 773 manual casual entry passes issued through Talkatora Gate No.1.

In addition to the above, Centralised Pass Issue Cell (CPIC), Rajya Sabha Secretariat issued/updated 1098 Radio Frequency (RF) tags. Further, CPIC also issued/renewed 1006 Driver passes, 552 casual passes, 7161 Official Box/Diplomat passes, 1009 Press Gallery passes, 7288 Public/Distinguished Visitors Gallery passes (including group passes) and 184 Central Hall passes in favour of the visitors in 2017.

During the year 2017, attendance of 3657 officials of the Ministries and 6757 Press Correspondents was registered. Further, 263 Distinguished Visitors and 8449 visitors of the Public Gallery witnessed the proceedings of the Rajya Sabha from galleries. On the recommendation of Members of Parliament/Officers of the Secretariat, 12186 visitors were taken for show-around of the Parliament House by the Parliament Security Service staff. In all, the security staff regulated a flow of 76556 visitors/guests, excluding the officials of the Lok Sabha Secretariat, Rajya Sabha Secretariat, Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs and Allied Services inside the Parliament House Complex during the year.

RTI Cell

After the promulgation of the Right to Information (RTI) Act, 2005, the same was implemented in the Rajya Sabha Secretariat *w.e.f.* September 2005. The first Central Public Information Officer (CPIO) and the first Appellate Authority of the Secretariat were appointed *vide* notifications dated 30.09.2005 and 07.10.2005, respectively. Later on, an RTI Cell was set up in May 2007 to deal with all RTI related work in the Secretariat under the supervision of the CPIO, Rajya Sabha Secretariat as per the provisions of the RTI Act. The RTI has played a pivotal role in bringing the citizens of the country closer to the working of the Parliament.

During the year 2017, the RTI Cell received 517 Offline RTI applications, 718 Online RTI applications, 66 Offline First Appeals, 51 Online First Appeals, 5 Second Appeals filed with the Central Information Commission (CIC), 8 miscellaneous applications and 62 link applications. The Secretariat received a total of Rs. 10,482/- in the form of application fees and towards cost of information under the RTI Act, details of which are maintained separately in a Cash Register.



International Cooperation and Inter-Parliamentary Dialogue

Inter-parliamentary cooperation promotes understanding at the level of people's representatives. In order to promote understanding among parliamentarians of the world and also put forth India's viewpoint at various fora, twelve Indian parliamentary delegations attended international conferences/meetings in various countries during the year. During this period, a total of four foreign parliamentary delegations visited India. The details of these visits are given in the Tables (A & B) below:

A. VISITS OF INDIAN PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATIONS ABROAD DURING THE YEAR 2017

1. INDIAN PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATIONS TO INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES/ MEETINGS

	Country	Date of Visit	Purpose of Visit	Name of Rajya Sabha Members
1.	Islamabad, Pakistan	13-15 Mar., 2017	Meeting of Special Committee for Creation of Asian Parliament (SCAAP) and APA Standing Committee on Political Affairs	Shri Swapan Dasgupta (Nominated)
2.	Dhaka, Bangladesh	31 Mar7 Apr., 2017	136 th Assembly of IPU	Smt. Viplove Thakur (INC) Shri Anil Desai (SS) Ms. Dola Sen (TMC)
3.	London, UK	25-28 Apr., 2017	Asia-Pacific Regional Workshop on Modern Slavery	Shri B.K. Hariprasad (INC) Shri Satish Chandra Misra (BSP) Shri Bhupender Yadav (BJP)
4.	Seoul, Republic of Korea	25-28 June, 2017	Meeting of Speakers of Eurasian Countries' Parliament	Prof. P. J. Kurien, HDC, RS
5.	Nusa Dua, Bali, Indonesia	6-7 Sept., 2017	First World Parliamentary Forum on Sustainable Development	Shri La. Ganesan (BJP)
6.	Colombo, Sri Lanka	4-6 Oct., 2017	8 th Conference of the Association of SAARC Speakers and Parliamentarians	Shri Rajeev Shukla (INC) Dr. Vinay P. Sahasrabuddhe (BJP)
7.	St. Petersburg, Russian Federation	13-21 Oct., 2017	137 th Assembly of IPU	Shri Basawaraj Patil (BJP) Shri Anil Desai (SS) Dr. Sasikala Pushpa Ramaswamy (AIADMK)
8.	Dhaka, Bangladesh	1-8 Nov., 2017	63 rd Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference	Smt. Roopa Ganguly (Nominated)
9.	Ottawa, Canada	17-18 Nov., 2017	4 th IPU Global Conference of Young Parliamentarians	Mir Mohammad Fayaz (J&K PDP)

	Country	Date of Visit	Purpose of Visit	Name of Rajya Sabha Members
10.	Buenos Aires, Argentina	9-10 Dec., 2017	Annual Session of the Parliamentary Conference on WTO	Shri Swapan Dasgupta (Nominated)

2. GOODWILL DELEGATIONS

	Country	Date of Visit	Name of Rajya Sabha Members
1.	Mauritius	6-12 June, 2017	Shri Ripun Bora (INC) Shri K.K. Ragesh [CPI(M)]
2.	Russia	10-14 July, 2017	Shri C.P. Narayanan [CPI(M)]

B. VISITS OF FOREIGN PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATIONS TO INDIA DURING THE YEAR 2017

	Country	Date of Visit	No. of Delegates	Name of Leader
1.	Mexico	12-19 Mar., 2017	4	H.E. Senator Teofilo Torres Corzo, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the Asia Pacific, House of Senators of Mexican Parliament. The delegation called on Hon'ble Deputy Chairman, Rajya Sabha on 15 March, 2017 at Parliament House.
2.	Namibia	27-31 Mar., 2017	7	H.E. Hon. Prof. Peter H. Katjavivi, Speaker of the National Assembly of the Parliament of Namibia. The delegation called on Hon'ble Vice- President of India and Chairman, Rajya Sabha on 28 March, 2017 at Parliament House.
3.	Multinational Delegation (Asia & Africa)	13-15 Sept., 2017	47	A 47 Member International (Asia and Africa) Parliamentarians' delegation called on Hon'ble Deputy Chairman, Rajya Sabha on 15 September, 2017 at Parliament House
4.	Mali	21 Dec., 2017	3	H.E. Mr. Abderhamane Niang, Hon'ble President of the High Court of Justice, Mali. The delegation called on Hon'ble Vice- President of India and Chairman, Rajya Sabha on 21 December, 2017 at Parliament House.

Secretariat

The total staff strength of the Rajya Sabha Secretariat during the year 2017 stood at 1812 (1728 + 84 tenure), out of which 500 persons were holding Group 'A' posts. On attaining the age of superannuation, 17 employees retired from service in the Secretariat. Besides, 4 employees were retired from the Secretariat in public interest under Rule 56(j) of Fundamental Rules read with Rule 10 of R&CS, 1957, 1 employee had been compulsorily retired from the Secretariat, 2 employees took voluntary retirement and 6 employees expired during the year.

The Secretariat consists of the following Services:

New Secretary-General, Rajya Sabha assumed office

Shri Shumsher K. Sheriff, relinquished the charge of the Secretary-General, Rajya Sabha on 31 August, 2017.

Shri Desh Deepak Verma was appointed as the Secretary-General, Rajya Sabha with effect from 1 September, 2017. Shri Desh Deepak Verma, a retired officer of 1978 batch of IAS belonging to UP Cadre, served earlier as Chairman, UP Electricity Regulatory Commission and Secretary, Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs, Government of India.

- (i) Legislative, Financial, Executive and Administrative Service;
- (ii) Library, Reference, Research, Documentation and Information Service;
- (iii) Verbatim Reporting Service;
- (iv) Private Secretaries & Stenographic Service;
- (v) Simultaneous Interpretation Service;
- (vi) Printing & Publications Service;
- (vii) Editorial and Translation Service;
- (viii) Parliament Security Service;
- (ix) Drivers & Dispatch Riders Service;
- (x) Messenger Service; and
- (xi) Rajya Sabha Television Unit.

Brief description of the mandate of the Secretary-General, Secretary, Additional Secretaries, Joint Secretaries, Directors and Additional Directors in-charge of different Divisions/Services is given on the Rajya Sabha website *i.e.* under links $rajyasabha.nic.in \rightarrow$ Secretariat \rightarrow Organisation Chart. Similarly, for detailed work performance of the respective Services/Sections, Annual Report 2017 can be referred to which is uploaded under the links $rajyasabha.nic.in \rightarrow$ Secretariat \rightarrow Annual Reports.

Creation/Abolition of temporary gazetted and non-gazetted posts and change/revision in designations of certain posts

In the year 2017, Rajya Sabha Secretariat witnessed major changes/ revision in designations and sanctioned strength of various posts by creation/abolition temporary gazetted and non-gazetted posts. The combined grades hitherto existing in various services of the Secretariat were split into separate grades and vacancy based promotions were introduced in place of time bound promotions between them (Circular No.RS/24/2017-Perl. dated 13 April, 2017). Accordingly, the Rajya Sabha Secretariat (Methods of Recruitment and Qualifications for Appointment) Order, 2017 dated 13 April, 2017 superseded the Rajya Sabha Secretariat (Methods of Recruitment and Qualifications for Appointment) Order, 2009 and all other orders made by the Chairman in this behalf.

Bills passed/returned/deemed to be returned by the Rajya Sabha during 2017

Sl. No.	Title of the Bill	Date and House in which introduced	Date of passing in originating House	Date of passing/ returning by the other House	Date of President's Assent	Act No.	Date of Publication in the Gazette	Remarks
1)	The Payment of Wages (Amendment) Bill, 2017	03/02/2017 Lok Sabha (L.S.)	07/02/2017	08/02/2017	15/02/2017	1 of 2017	16/02/2017	Ordinance- replacing Bill
2)	The Specified Bank Notes (Cessation of Liabilities) Bill, 2017*	03/02/2017 L .S.	07/02/2017		27/02/2017	2 of 2017	28/02/2017	Money Bill and Ordinance- replacing Bill
3)	The Enemy Property (Amendment and Validation) Bill, 2017	08/03/2016 L .S.	09/03/2016 14/03/2017*	10/03/2017	14/03/2017	3 of 2017	14/03/2017	Ordinance- replacing Bill
4)	The Appropriation Bill, 2017	20/03/2017 L .S.	20/03/2017	23/03/2017	24/03/2017	4 of 2017	24/03/2017	Money Bill
5)	The Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 2017	20/03/2017 L .S.	20/03/2017	23/03/2017	24/03/2017	5 of 2017	24/03/2017	Money Bill
6)	The Maternity Benefit (Amendment) Bill, 2017	11/08/2016 Rajya Sabha (R.S.)	11/08/2016 20/03/2017*	09/03/2017	27/03/2017	6 of 2017	28/03/2017	
7)	The Finance Bill, 2017	01/02/2017 L .S.	22/03/2017 30/03/2017*	29/03/2017	31/03/2017	7 of 2017	31/03/2017	Money Bill
8)	The Appropriation (Railways) Bill, 2017	20/03/2017 L .S.	20/03/2017	30/03/2017	31/03/2017	8 of 2017	31/03/2017	Money Bill
9)	The Appropriation (Railways) No. 2 Bill, 2017	20/03/2017 L .S.	20/03/2017	30/03/2017	31/03/2017	9 of 2017	31/03/2017	Money Bill
10)	The Mental Healthcare Bill, 2017	19/08/2013 R.S.	08/08/2016 30/03/2017 •	27/03/2017	07/04/2017	10 of 2017	07/04/2017	
11)	The Employee's Compensation (Amendment) Bill, 2017	05/08/2016 L .S.	09/08/2016 05/04/2017 •	22/03/2017	12/04/2017	11 of 2017	12/04/2017	
12)	The Central Goods and Services Tax Bill, 2017	27/03/2017 L .S.	29/03/2017	06/04/2017	12/04/2017	12 of 2017	12/04/2017	Money Bill
13)	The Integrated Goods and Services Tax Bill, 2017	27/03/2017 L .S.	29/03/2017	06/04/2017	12/04/2017	13 of 2017	12/04/2017	Money Bill
14)	The Union Territory Goods and Services Tax Bill, 2017	27/03/2017 L .S.	29/03/2017	06/04/2017	12/04/2017	14 of 2017	12/04/2017	Money Bill
15)	The Goods and Services Tax (Compensation to States) Bill, 2017	27/03/2017 L .S.	29/03/2017	06/04/2017	12/04/2017	15 of 2017	12/04/2017	Money Bill
16)	The Human Immunodeficiency Virus and Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (Prevention and Control) Bill, 2017	11/02/2014 R .S.	21/03/2017	11/04/2017	20/04/2017	16 of 2017	21/04/2017	

^{*} The Bill could not be returned by Rajya Sabha and was deemed to have been passed by both Houses under Article 109(5) of the Constitution.

[♦] Amendments made by Rajya Sabha were agreed to by Lok Sabha.

[♥] Formal amendments made by Lok Sabha were agreed to by Rajya Sabha.

Amendments recommended by Rajya Sabha were rejected by Lok Sabha.

The Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Orders (Amendment) Bill, 2017	10/03/2017 L .S.	23/03/2017	10/04/2017	28/04/2017	17 of 2017	01/05/2017	
The Taxation Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2017*	31/03/2017 L .S.	06/04/2017		04/05/2017	18 of 2017	05/05/2017	Money Bill
The National Institutes of Technology, Science Education and Research (Amendment) Bill, 2017	09/12/2016 L .S.	28/03/2017	26/07/2017	04/08/2017	19 of 2017	05/08/2017	
The Footwear Design and Development Institute Bill, 2017	14/03/2017 L .S.	05/04/2017	24/07/2017	04/08/2017	20 of 2017	05/08/2017	
The Collection of Statistics (Amendment) Bill, 2017	20/03/2017 L .S.	11/04/2017	26/07/2017	04/08/2017	21 of 2017	05/08/2017	
The Admiralty (Jurisdiction and Settlement of Maritime Claims) Bill, 2017	21/11/2016 L .S.	10/03/2017	24/07/2017	09/08/2017	22 of 2017	09/08/2017	
The Indian Institutes of Information Technology (Public-Private Partnership) Bill, 2017	10/04/2017 L .S.	19/07/2017	27/07/2017	09/08/2017	23 of 2017	09/08/2017	
The Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (Amendment) Bill, 2017	10/04/2017 L .S.	21/07/2017	01/08/2017	09/08/2017	24 of 2017	10/08/2017	
The Indian Institutes of Information Technology (Amendment) Bill, 2017	27/03/2017 L .S.	26/07/2017	03/08/2017	17/08/2017	25 of 2017	19/08/2017	
The Central Goods and Services Tax (Extension to Jammu and Kashmir) Bill, 2017.	31/07/2017 L .S.	02/08/2017		23/08/2017	26 of 2017	24/08/2017	Money Bill and Ordinance- replacing Bill
The Integrated Goods and Services Tax (Extension to Jammu and Kashmir) Bill, 2017.	31/07/2017 L .S.	02/08/2017		23/08/2017	27 of 2017	24/08/2017	Money Bill and Ordinance- replacing Bill
The Appropriation (No.3) Bill, 2017*	01/08/2017 L .S.	01/08/2017		23/08/2017	28 of 2017	24/08/2017	Money Bill
The Appropriation (No.4) Bill, 2017*	01/08/2017 L .S.	01/08/2017		23/08/2017	29 of 2017	24/08/2017	Money Bill
The Banking Regulation (Amendment) Bill, 2017	24/07/2017 L .S.	03/08/2017	10/08/2017	25/08/2017	30 of 2017	25/08/2017	Ordinance- replacing Bill
The Punjab Municipal Corporation Law (Extension to Chandigarh) Amendment Bill, 2017.	31/07/2017 L .S.	03/08/2017		26/08/2017	31 of 2017	26/08/2017	Money Bill and Ordinance- replacing Bill
The National Capital Territory of Delhi Laws (Special Provisions) Second (Amendment) Bill, 2017	22/12/2017 L .S.	27/12/2017	28/12/2017	31/12/2017	32 of 2017	31/12/2017	
The Indian Institutes of Management Bill, 2017	09/02/2017 L .S.	28/07/2017	19/12/2017	31/12/2017	33 of 2017	31/12/2017	
The Companies (Amendment)Bill, 2017	16/03/2016 L .S.	27/07/2017	19/12/2017	03/01/2018	1 of 2018	03/01/2018	
The Repealing and Amending Bill, 2017	09/02/2017 L .S.	19/12/2017	28/12/2017	05/01/2018	2 of 2018	08/01/2018	
The Indian Institute of Petroleum and	18/07/2017	04/08/2017	27/12/2017	05/01/2018	3 of	08/01/2018	
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^{*} The Bill could not be returned by Rajya Sabha and was deemed to have been passed by both Houses under Article 109(5) of the Constitution.

37)	The Repealing and Amending (Second) Bill, 2017	11/08/2017 L .S.	19/12/2017	28/12/2017	05/01/2018	4 of 2018	08/01/2018	
38)	The Indian Forest (Amendment) Bill, 2017	18/12/2017 L .S.	20/12/2017	27/12/2017	05/01/2018	5 of 2018	08/01/2018	Ordinance- replacing Bill
39)	The Appropriation (No.5) Bill, 2017*	21/12/2017 L .S.	21/12/2017		18/01/2018	6 of 2018	19/01/2018	Money Bill
40)	The National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (Amendment) Bill, 2018	05/04/2017 L .S.	03/08/2017 04/01/2018*	02/01/2018	18/01/2018	7 of 2018	19/01/2018	
41)	The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (Amendment) Bill, 2018	28/12/2017 L .S.	29/12/2017 04/01/2018 •	02/01/2018	18/01/2018	8 of 2018	19/01/2018	Ordinance- replacing Bill
42)	The Goods and Services Tax (Compensation to States) Amendment Bill, 2017*	22/12/2017 L .S.	27/12/2017		19/01/2018	9 of 2018	19/01/2018	Money Bill Ordinance- replacing Bill
43)	The High Court and Supreme Court Judges (Salaries and Conditions of Service) Amendment Bill, 2018.	21/12/2017 L .S.	04/01/2018		25/01/2018	10 of 2018	27/01/2018	Money Bill
44)	The Appropriation Bill, 2018.	04/01/2018 L .S.	04/01/2018		25/01/2018	11 of 2018	27/01/2018	Money Bill

Note: One (1) bill namely 'Constitution (One Hundred and Twenty Third Amendment Bill) 2017, passed by Lok Sabha on 10/04/2017, was passed by Rajya Sabha with amendments on 31/07/2017. The Bill was returned to the Lok Sabha and remained pending in 2017. The Bill was passed by Lok Sabha with further amendments which were agreed to by Rajya Sabha on 06/08/2018. The Bill received the assent of the President on 11/08/2018.

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[•] Formal amendment made by Rajya Sabha was agreed to by Lok Sabha.

<u>Calling Attentions to Matters of Urgent Public</u> <u>Importance made in the Rajya Sabha during 2017</u>

- (i) Need to convene a meeting of the National Development Council to discuss the necessity for continuance of the concept of Special Category Status by Dr. K.V.P. Ramachandra Rao, M.P. on 11.04.2017.
- (ii) Situation arising out of recent floods in various parts of the country, particularly in Assam, by Shri Ripun Bora, M.P. on 27.7.2017.
- (iii) Situation arising out of violation of prescribed conditions of Letter of Permit by foreign trawlers in deep sea fishing in Indian seas and the action taken by the Government by Shri K.K. Ragesh, M.P. on 1.8.2017.

Short Duration Discussions (Discussions under Rule 176) held in the Rajya Sabha during 2017

- (i) Electoral reforms by Shri Mukul Roy, M.P. on 22.3.2017 and 23.3.2017.
- (ii) Aadhaar its implementation and implications by Shri Rajeev Chandrasekhar, M.P. on 10.4.2017.
- (iii) Situation arising out of the reported increase in the incidents of lynching and atrocities on minorities and *dalits* across the country by Shri Ghulam Nabi Azad, Leader of Opposition on 19.7.2017 and 20.7.2017.
- (iv) Farmers' distress leading to rise in the incidents of their suicide in the country by Shri Digvijaya Singh, M.P. on 25.7.2017 and 26.07.2017.
- (v) India's foreign policy and engagement with strategic partners by Shri Anand Sharma, M.P. on 3.8.2017.
- (vi) Excessively high levels of air pollution in Delhi by Shri Naresh Agrawal, M.P. on 28.12.2017.
- (vii) State of economy, investment climate and job creation in the country and the need to address the challenge of rising unemployment by Shri Anand Sharma, M.P. on 4.1.2018.

Statutory Resolutions admitted for being taken up in the Rajya Sabha during 2017

- (i) Resolution regarding disapproval of the Enemy Property (Amendment and Validation) Fifth Ordinance, 2016 (No.8 of 2016) promulgated by the President of India on 22 December, 2016 by Dr. T. Subbarami Reddy, M.P. (*Negatived*)
- (ii) Resolution regarding disapproval of the Specified Bank Notes (Cessation of Liabilities) Ordinance, 2016 (No.10 of 2016) promulgated by the President of India on 30 December, 2016 by Dr. T. Subbarami Reddy, M.P. (*Not moved*)
- (iii) Resolution regarding disapproval of the Banking Regulation (Amendment) Ordinance, 2017 (No.1 of 2017), promulgated by the President of India on 4 May, 2017 by Dr. T. Subbarami Reddy, M.P. (*Negatived*)
- (iv) Resolution regarding the approval of Notification No. 56/2017-Customs, dated 30 June, 2017 [G.S.R. 797 (E) dated 30 June, 2017], to increase the basic customs duty (BCD) on certain goods moved by Minister of Finance, Corporate Affairs and Defence. (*Adopted*)
- (v) Resolution regarding disapproval of the Indian Forest (Amendment) Ordinance, 2017 (Ordinance No.6 of 2017) promulgated by the President of India on 23 November, 2017 by Dr. T. Subbarami Reddy, M.P. (*Negatived*)
- (vi) Resolution regarding disapproval of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (Amendment) Ordinance, 2017 (Ordinance No.7 of 2017) promulgated by the President of India on 23 November, 2017 by Dr. T. Subbarami Reddy, M.P. (Withdrawn)
- (vii) Resolution regarding disapproval of the Goods and Services Tax (Compensation to States) Amendment Ordinance, 2017 (Ordinance No.5 of 2017) promulgated by the President of India on 2 September, 2017 by Dr. T. Subbarami Reddy, M.P. (Not moved)
- (viii) Resolution regarding the approval of Notification No.80/2017-Customs, dated 27 October, 2017 [G.S.R.1339 (E) dated 27 October, 2017], to increase the rate of basic customs duty on certain goods moved by Shri Shiv Pratap Shukla, Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance. (*Adopted*)
- (ix) Resolution regarding the approval of Notification No. 88/2017-Customs, dated 17 November, 2017 [G.S.R.1431 (E) dated 17 November, 2017] to increase the basic customs duty on certain items moved by Shri Shiv Pratap Shukla, Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance. (*Adopted*)
- (x) Resolution regarding the approval of Notification No.91/2017-Customs, dated 14 December, 2017 [G.S.R.1514(E) dated 14 December, 2017], to increase the rate of basic customs duty (BCD) on the certain goods moved by Shri Arun Jaitley, Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs and Defence. (*Adopted*)

Government Resolutions admitted for being taken up in the Rajya Sabha during 2017

- (i) C.A. Reference No. 1 of 1992 in respect of higher pay scale of Rs. 1400-2300 to the post of photographer in Botanical Survey of India (BSI) by the Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change. (*Not moved*)
- (ii) C.A. Reference No. 3 of 2004 regarding revision of rules of Transport Allowance to the Central Government Employees by the Minister of Finance. (*Not moved*)
- (iii) C.A. Reference No. 2 of 2002 regarding grant of House Rent Allowance to the Central Government Employees by the Minister of Finance. (*Not moved*)
- (iv) C.A. Reference No. 5 of 1993 in respect of grant of Cash Handling Allowance to Post Office staff who attend duties to handle cash as a regular measure by Minister of Finance. (*Not moved*)
- (v) C.A. Reference No. 1 of 1988 regarding grant of Transport Subsidy of Rs. 30/- per employee per month, to non-Gazetted Central Government employees with effect from 1.4.1989, in terms of para 21 of the Scheme of Joint Consultative Machinery and Compulsory Arbitration by Minister of Finance. (*Not moved*)

Reports presented by Committees of the Rajya Sabha during 2017

No. of Re	eport Subject	
	Committee on Subordinate Legislation	(Total: 4)
230 th	Report on Statutory Orders laid on the Table of the Rajya Sabha during 240	th Session
231 st	Report on (i) Khadi and Village Industries Commission Regulations, 2007; Framing of Rules and Regulations under the National Trust for Welfare with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities Implementation of the 220 th Report of the Committee on Subordinate Rajya Sabha.	of Persons Act, 1999 -
232 nd	Report on Statutory Orders laid on the Table of the Rajya Sabha during 241	st Session
233 rd	Report on Notifications issued by Ministry of Finance (Department of Affairs) on Demonetization	f Economic
	Committee on Petitions	(Total: 2)
153 rd	Petition praying to evolve an efficient mechanism to check the exorbitate Cardiac Stents and other medical devices in the country (Part I)	nt prices of
154 th	Petition praying for enactment of a separate legislation for offences of road	rage
	Committee on Government Assurances	(Total: 1)
71 st	Implementation of Assurances laid during the 241 st , 242 nd , 243 rd Sessions/Requests for dropping and extension of time, study visit of the etc.	
	Committee on Papers Laid on the Table	(Total: 3)
150 th	Delayed laying of Annual Reports & Audited Accounts of Indian Railway Tourism Corporation Limited (IRCTC), Central Warehousing Corporation Food Corporation of India (FCI)	_
151 st	Delayed laying of Annual Reports & Audited Accounts of Kendriya Sangathan (KVS), V.V. Giri National Labour Institute (VVGNLI), Indicate Rashtriya Uran Akademi (IGRUA), and National Bal Bhavan (NBB)	
152 nd	Delayed laying of Annual Reports & Audited Accounts of National Book T Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) and Central Zoo Authority (
	Committee on Rules	
	NIL	

No. of I	Report Subject
	Committee of Privileges (Total: 1)
65 th	Report regarding matter of breach of privilege arising out of alleged premature disclosure of C&AG report to the press before its laying on the Table of the House
	House Committee
	NIL
	Committee on Members of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme (MPLADS)
	NIL
	Committee on Ethics
	NIL
	Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Commerce (Total: 8)
132 nd	Demands for Grants (2017-2018) of the Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry
133 rd	Demands for Grants (2017-2018) of the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion, Ministry of Commerce and Industry
134 th	Action Taken by Government on the recommendations/observations of the Committee in its 130 th Report on Industrial Policy in the Changing Global Scenario
135 th	Action Taken by Government on the recommendations/observations of the Committee in its 132 nd Report on Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry
136 th	Action Taken by Government on the recommendations/observations of the Committee in its 133 rd Report on Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion, Ministry of Commerce and Industry
137 th	Trade with Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN)
138 th	Activities and Functioning of Spices Board
139 th	Impact of Goods and Services Tax (GST) on Exports
	Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Home Affairs (Total: 6)
199 th	Action Taken by Government on the recommendations/observations of the Committee in its 197 th Report on Demands for Grants (2016-17) of the Ministry of Home Affairs

No. of I	Report Subject			
200 th	Action Taken by Government on the recommendations/observations of the Committee in its 196 th Report on Demands for Grants (2016-17) of the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER)			
201st	Demands for Grants (2017-2018) of the Ministry of Home Affairs			
202 nd	Demands for Grants (2017-2018) of the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER)			
203 rd	Border Security: Capacity Building and Institutions			
204 th	Administration and Development of Union Territory of Lakshadweep			
	Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Health and Family Welfare (Total: 7)			
99 th	Demands for Grants (2017-2018) of the Department of Health and Family Welfare			
100 th	Demands for Grants (2017-2018) of the Department of Health Research			
101 st	Demands for Grants (2017-2018) of the Ministry of AYUSH			
102 nd	The Surrogacy (Regulation) Bill, 2016			
103 rd	Action Taken by Government on the recommendations/observations of the Committee in its 99 th Report on Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Department of Health and Family Welfare			
104 th	Action Taken by Government on the recommendations/observations of the Committee in its 100 th Report on Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Department of Health Research			
105 th	Action Taken by Government on the recommendations/observations of the Committee in its 101 st Report on Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Ministry of AYUSH			
	Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Human Resource Development (Total: 9)			
284 th	Issues and Challenges before Higher Educational Sector in India			
286 th	Action Taken by Government on the recommendations/observations of the Committee in its 277 th Report on Demands for Grants (2016-17) of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports			
287 th	Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports			
288 th	Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Department of Higher Education			
289 th	Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Ministry of Women and Child Development			
290 th	Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Department of School Education and Literacy			

No. of R	oort Subject					
291 st	Action Taken by Government on the recommendations/observations of the Committee in its 270 th Report on Performance of National Sports Development Fund and Recruitment and Promotion of Sportspersons (Part I)					
292 nd	Action Taken by Government on the recommendations/observations of the Committee in its 271st Report on Performance of National Sports Development Fund and Recruitment and Promotion of Sportspersons (Part II)					
293 rd	Action Taken by Government on the recommendations/observations of the Committee in its 281st Report on Performance of National Sports Development Fund and Recruitment and Promotion of Sportspersons (Part III)					
	Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Industry (Total: 6)					
280 th	Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises					
281 st	Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Department of Heavy Industry, Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises					
282 nd	Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Department of Public Enterprises, Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises					
283 rd	Action Taken by Government on the recommendations/observations of the Committee in its 282 nd Report on Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Department of Public Enterprises, Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises					
284 th	Action Taken by Government on the recommendations/observations of the Committee in its 280 th Report on Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises					
285 th	Action Taken by Government on the recommendations/observations of the Committee in its 281 st Report on Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Department of Heavy Industry, Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises					
	Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice (Total: 7)					
88 th	Action Taken by Government on the recommendations/observations of the Committee in its 84 th Report on Demands for Grants (2016-17) of the Ministry of Law and Justice					
89 th	Action Taken by Government on the recommendations/observations of the Committee in its 85 th Report on Demands for Grants (2016-17) of the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions					
90 th	Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions					
91 st	Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Ministry of Law and Justice					
92 nd	Appraisal and Empanelment of Civil Servants under the Central Government					

No. of R	eport Subject
93 rd	Action Taken by Government on the recommendations/observations of the Committee in its 90 th Report on Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions
94 th	Action Taken by Government on the recommendations/observations of the Committee in its 91st Report on Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Ministry of Law and Justice
	Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests (Total: 8)
294 th	Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Ministry of Earth Sciences
295 th	Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Department of Biotechnology
296 th	Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Department of Science and Technology
297 th	Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research
298 th	Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Department of Space
299 th	Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Department of Atomic Energy
300 th	Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
301st	Genetically Modified Crops and its Impact on Environment
	Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture (Total: 13)
243 rd	The Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Bill, 2016
244 th	Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Ministry of Civil Aviation
245 th	Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Ministry of Culture
246 th	Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways
247 th	Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Ministry of Shipping
248 th	Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Ministry of Tourism
249 th	The Merchant Shipping Bill, 2016
250 th	The Major Port Authorities Bill, 2016
251 st	Action Taken by Government on the observations/recommendations of the Committee in its 244 th Report on the Demands for Grants (2017-18) of Ministry of Civil Aviation
252 nd	Action Taken by Government on the observations/recommendations of the Committee in its 246 th Report on the Demands for Grants (2017-18) of Ministry of Road Transport and Highways

No. of R	Report Subject
253 rd	Action Taken by Government on the observations/recommendations of the Committee in its 247 th Report on the Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Ministry of Shipping
254 th	Action Taken by Government on the observations/recommendations of the Committee in its 245 th Report on the Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Ministry of Culture
255 th	Action Taken by Government on the observations/recommendations of the Committee in its 248 th Report on the Demands for Grants (2017-18) of the Ministry of Tourism