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IN THE HUNDRED AND FORTY- EIGHTH SESSION OF THE RAJYA
SABHA

Commencing on the 2nd November, 1988/11th Kartika, 1910 (Saka)

RAJYA SABHA

*Wednesday, the 2nd November, 1988/11th
Kartika, 1910 (Saka)*

The House met at eleven of the clock

MR. CHAIRMAN in the Chair

**WELCOME TO MEMBERS BY THE
CHAIRMAN**

SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY
(Uttar Pradesh): Will it be a cold winter or
hot winter?

SHRI GHULAM RASOOL MATTO
(Uttar Pradesh): Will it be a cold winter or
hot winter?

MR. CHAIRMAN: I welcome you all to the
One Hundred and Forty-eighth Session and
wish you a happy Diwali which is coming and
of course happy Vijay Dashmi and Durga
Puja. Now Oath or VITHALRAO MADI.

SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO
JADHAV (Maharashtra): We wish the same
to you. Sir,

MEMBERS SWORN

1. Shri S. B. Chavan (Maharashtra)

SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY (Uttar
Pradesh): Will you also clarify when he is
going back to Maharashtra?

2. Shri R. K. Dorendra Singh (Mani-
pur)
3. Shri Baikunthnath Sahu (Orissa)

OBITUARY REFERENCES

MR. CHAIRMAN: I refer with profound
sorrow to the passing away of Shri Anant
Prasad Sharma and Shri P. Thanu-lingam,
former Members of this House.

Shri Sharma had retired as a Member of
this House in April last. He was ailing for
sometime but his end was sudden and
unexpected.

Shri Sharma was born in December, 1919
at village Gaudarh in Bhojpur District of
Bihar. A freedom fighter and active trade
union worker, Shri Sharma specially
organised the railway workers. He was
closely associated with several Railway
Employees' Unions. He represented Indian
Labour at the Annual Conference of the
International Labour Organisation at Geneva
in 1956 and again in 1969. Shri Sharma
served as the Organising Secretary and later
on President of the Indian National Trade
Union Congress for a long time. In short, he
occupied the centre-stage of the national trade
union movement.

Shri Sharma had a long Parliamentary
career. He was a Member of the Lok Sabha
from 1962 to 1967 and again from 1971 to
1977. He was a Member of this House from
1968 to 1971, later from 1978 to 1983 and
again from August, 1984 to April, 1988. Shri
Sharma served as Union Minister, holding
several important portfolios with distinction
and also served as the Governor of Punjab and
West Bengal. Shri Sharma was an agile and
active Member and always participated in the
debates concerning welfare of the labour and
exploited sections of the society.

Shri P. Thanulingam was born at Par-
marthlingapuram in District Nagercoil of
Tamil Nadu in February, 1915 and was