

RAJYA SABHA

*Friday, the 22nd March, 1974 the 1st
Chaitra. 1896 (Saka)*

The House met at eleven of the clock. MR.
CHAIRMAN in the Chair.

OBITUARY REFERENCE

MR. CHAIRMAN : I have to refer with
profound sorrow to the passing away of
Shrimati Sita Devi, a sitting Member of the
Rajya Sabha.

Shrimati Sita Devi, born in Lahore in 1910,
was educated at Dehra Dun. A great social
worker and a Trade Unionist, she joined the
Indian National Congress in 1928. She took
active part in the Freedom struggle and 'Quit
India Movement' and courted arrest and was
jailed thrice. Shrimati Sita Devi was a
Member of many social educational and trade
union organisations. A member of the Punjab
Legislative Assembly from 1946 to 1957 and
of the Punjab Legislative Council from 1964
to 1970. Shrimati Sita Devi was elected to the
Rajya Sabha only two years back in the month
of April 1972.

She took keen interest in the proceedings of
the House and always spoke with force and
conviction. She received admiration from all
sections of the House. We deeply mourn the
sad passing away of Shrimati Sita Devi

I would request Members to rise in their
places and observe a minute's silence as a
mark of respect to the memory of the de
ceased.

*(Hon. Members then stood in silence for
one minute)*

MR. CHAIRMAN: Secretary-General will
convey to the members of the bereaved
family our sense of grief and profound sor
row.

As a mark of respect to the memory of the
deceased, I direct that the House will rise and
will adjourn for the day. It will reassemble at
11 A.M. on Monday, the 25th March, 1974.

*The House then adjourned at
three minutes past eleven of the
clock till eleven of the clock on
Monday, the 25th March, 1974*