

## RAJYA SABHA

Tuesday, the 11th April 1972/22nd Chaitra,  
1894 (Saka)

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

### MEMBERS SWORN

#### Andhra Pradesh

1. Shri Papi Reddi.
2. Shri Kota Punnaiah.
3. Qosim Aliabid.

#### Assam

4. Shri Nripati Ranjan Choudhury.

#### Bihar

5. Shri Sayamlal Gupta.
6. Shrimati Jahanara Jaipal Singh.

#### Madhya Pradesh

7. Shri Mahendra Bahadur Singh.

#### Mysore

8. Shri Maqsood Alikhan.
9. Shri H. S. Narasiah.

MR. CHAIRMAN : Those Members who come later in the day may take their oath or affirmation before the House adjourns

### WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

MR. CHAIRMAN : Before we take up the questions, I would like to extend a very cordial welcome to the new Members.

Some of the Members have just taken the pledge to bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution and to uphold the sovereignty and integrity of the country. Whatever their political affiliations may be,

Members have to work for the social and economic progress of the country through Parliamentary methods. In Parliament, Members have ample opportunities to express their views and I have no doubt that they will, by their contribution, further the ideals of justice to which we are all pledged.

This House has always been a fellowship in which Members feel mutual regard, goodwill and forbearance towards each other and work in a cooperative spirit for the realisation of our objectives. We have in this House a rich tradition and a standard of conduct which any Parliament can be proud of. It is our duty to preserve this tradition. Every Member who is chosen to this House carries with him the nation's trust which imposes great responsibilities. Parliamentary democracy ensures the free choice of representation and it is the very essence of this freedom that the chosen representatives so perform their duties that they prove worthy of the faith and trust that the people have reposed in them. Our democracy can be sustained and the hopes and aspirations of the millions of our people fulfilled only by hard and devoted work in Parliament. I have no doubt that we in this House shall continue to work together in the interest of our People whose welfare will always be our highest concern. I look forward to continued co-operation and assistance from all Members so that the business of the House may be transacted smoothly and the values of parliamentary institutions enhanced.

I once again extend a hearty welcome to all new Members.

### ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

शस्त्रों तथा गोलाबारूद के विषय में

आत्मनिर्भरता

499. डा० भाई महाबीर :

श्री प्रेम मनोहर : +

श्री जगदीश प्रसाद माथुर :

श्री ना० कृ० शेजवलकर :

क्या रक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे

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\* The question was actually asked on the floor of the House by Shri Prem Monohar,