"As I am going to the U.S.A. as a Member of the Indian Delegation to the United Nations General Assembly, I shall not be able to be present during the meetings of the fifteenth session of the Rajya Sabha. I, therefore, request, through you, that the House may be pleased to grant me leave of absence during all meetings of that session."

Is it the pleasure of the House that permission be granted to Dr. Raghubir Sinh for remaining absent from all meetings of the House during the current session?

(No hon, Member dissented.)

MR. CHAIRMAN: Permission to remain absent is granted.

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIFTH SESSION OF THE INDUSTRIAL COMMITTEE ON COAL MINING

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR LABOUR (SHRI ABID ALI): Sir, I beg to lay on the Table a copy of the Summary of Proceedings of the Fifth Session of the Industrial Committee on Coal Mining held in New Delhi in August, 1956. [Placed in Library See No. S-467/56.]

[Report of the Plantation Inquiry Commission (1956) on Coffee

AMENDMENT TO THE COFFEE RULES 1955 STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE OF THE COIR-BOARD, ERNAKULAM

THE MINISTER FOR TRADE (SHRI D. P. KARMARKAR): Sir, I beg to lay on the Table a copy of the Report of the Plantation Inquiry Commission (1956) on Coffee. [Placed in Library. See No. S-472/56.]

I also beg to lay on the Table, under sub-section (3) of Section 48 of the Coffee Act, 1942, a copy of the Ministry of Commerce and Consumer Industries Notification S.R.O. No. 2201 [15(14) Plant/55], dated

the 22nd September, 1956, publishing an amendment to the Coffee Rules, 1955, [Placed in Library. Sec No S-435/56.]

I also beg to lay on the Table, under sub-section (4) of section 17 of the Coir Industry Act, 1953, a copy of the statement of receipts and expenditure of the Coir Board. Ernakulam, for the year 1954-55, together with a copy of letter No. OA6/12-337/55-56/240, dated the 3rd September, 1956 from the Comptroller. Travancore-Cochin. [Placed in Library. See No. S-486/56.]

AMENDMENT TO THE WORKING JOUR-NALISTS WAGE BOARD RULES, 1956

THE MINISTER FOR LABOUR (SHRI KHANDUBHAI DESAI): Sir, I beg to lay on the Table, under sub-section (3) of section 20 of the Working Journalists (Conditions of Service) and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1955, a copy of the Ministry of Labour Notification S.R.O. No. 2136, dated the 17th September 1956, publishing an amendment to the Working Journalists Wage Board Rules 1956. [Placed in Library. See No. S-425/56.]

AMENDMENTS TO THE DISPLACED PERSONS (COMPENSATION AND RE-HABILITATION) RULES, 1955

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR REHABILITATION (SHRI J. K. BHONSLE): Sir, I beg to lay on the Table, under sub-section (3) of section 40 of the Displaced Persons (Compensation and Rehabilitation) Act, 1954, a copy each of the following Notifications:—

(i) Ministry of Rehabilitation Notification S.R.O. No. 2188/R. Amdt. VII, dated the 24th September 1956, publishing certain amendments to the Displaced Persons (Compensation and Rehabilitation) Rules, 1955.

- (ii) Ministry of Rehabilitation Notification S. R. O. No. 2503/R. Amdt. VIII., dated the 26th October, 1956, publishing an amendment to the Displaced Persons (Compensation and Rehabilitation) Rules, 1955.
- (iii) Ministry of Rehabilitation Notification S. R. O. No. 2616/R. Amdt. IX., dated 29th October, 1956, publishing certain amendments to the Displaced Persons (Compensation and Rehabilitation) Rules, 1955.
- (iv) Ministry of Rehabilitation Notification S. R. O. No-2615/R. Amdt. X., dated the 29th October, 1956, publishing an amendment to the Displaced Persons (Compensation and Rehabilitation) Rules, 1955.

[Placed in Library, See No. S-468/56 for (i) to (iv).]

ACTION TAKEN BY THE GOVERNMENT ON ASSURANCES, PROMISES AND UNDER-TAKINGS GIVEN BY MINISTERS AND ON SUGGESTIONS MADE BY MEMBERS

THE MINISTER FOR PARLIA-MENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SATYA-NARAYAN SINHA): Sir, I beg to lay on the Table the following statements showing the action taken by the Government on the various assurances, promises and undertakings given by Ministers and on suggestions made by members during the various sessions shown against each:—

Assurances etc.-

- (i) Statement No. II.—Fourteenth Session, 1956.
- (ii) Statement No. IV.—Thirteenth Session, 1956.
- (iii) Statement No. V.—Twelfth Session, 1956.
- (iv) Statement No. X.—Tenth Session, 1956.
- (v) Statement No. XIII.—Ninth Session, 1955.

- (vi) Statement No. XXIX.— Fifth Session, 1953.
- (vii) Supplementary Statement No. XXVII.—Fourth Section, 1953.
 - (viii) Supplementary Statement XXXI—Third Session, 1953.
- [See Appendix XV, Annexures Nos. 7 to 14 for (i) to (viii).]

Suggestions.—Statement No. VI.—Fifth Session, 1953.

[See Appendix XV, Annexure No. 15.]

REPORT OF THE JOINT COM-MITTEE OF THE HOUSES ON THE STANDARDS OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES BILL, 1956

SHRIMATI K. BHARATHI (TRA-VANCORE-COCHIN): Sir, I beg to lay on the Table a copy of the Report of the Joint Committee of the Houses on the Bill to establish standards of weights and measures based on the metric system.

REPORT OF THE JOINT COM-MITTEE OF THE HOUSES ON THE MOTOR VEHICLES (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1955.

SHRI AMAR NATH AGRAWAL (Uttar Pradesh): Sir, I beg to lay on the Table a copy of the Report of the Joint Committee of the Houses on the Bill further to amend the Motor Vehicles Act, 1939.

EVIDENCE TENDERED BEFORE THE JOINT COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSES ON THE MOTOR VEHICLES (AMENDMENT) BILL. 1955

SHRI AMAR NATH AGRAWAL: Sir, I beg to lay on the Table the evidence tendered before the Joint Committee of the Houses on the Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Bill, 1955.