

## RAJYA SABHA

*Thursday, 22nd November, 2012/1st Agrahayana, 1934 (Saka)*

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

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(The National Anthem, “*Jana Gana Mana*”, was played.)

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### INTRODUCTION OF SECRETARY-GENERAL

MR. CHAIRMAN: Hon. Members, I have great pleasure in introducing to the House the new Secretary-General, Shri Shumsher K. Sheriff.

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### OBITUARY REFERENCES

MR. CHAIRMAN: Hon. Members, I refer with profound sorrow to the passing away of Shri B.V. Kakkilaya, Shri Ranganath Misra, Shri Jagesh Desai, Shri B.P. Singhal, Shri B. Satyanarayan Reddy, Shri Anantray Devshanker Dave, Shri Kailash Pati Mishra and Shri K.C. Pant, former Members of this House and Shri Bal Thackeray.

Shri B.V. Kakkilaya passed away on the 4th of June, 2012 at the age of 93 years. Born in April, 1919 at Kasaragod District of Kerala, he had his education at St. Aloysius' College, Mangalore. A freedom fighter and a trade unionist, he actively participated in the Quit India Movement and was imprisoned several times. He worked for the upliftment of the farmers, the poor and backward communities and played a major role in bringing about land reforms in Karnataka.

Shri B.V. Kakkilaya served as a Member of the Karnataka Legislative Assembly from 1972 to 1977 and again from 1978 to 1983. He represented the then State of Madras now Tamil Nadu in this House from April, 1952 to April, 1954. He was also a prolific writer and had contributed several articles in journals and other publications.

In the passing away of Shri B.V. Kakkilaya, the country has lost a veteran freedom fighter and an able parliamentarian.