MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: The House is adjourned for 15 minutes.

The House then adjourned at twelve of the clock. The House re-assembled at fifteen minutes past twelve of the clock, MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN in the Chair.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: The House is adjourned for another 10 minutes.

The House then adjourned at fifteen minutes past twelve of the clock. The House reassembled at twenty-five minutes past twelve of the clock, MR. CHAIRMAN in the Chair.

WELCOME TO PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION FROM ROMANIA

MR. CHAIRMAN: Hon. Members, I have an announcement to make. We have with us seated in the special box Members of a Parliamentary Delegation from Romania currently on a visit to our country under the distinguished leadership of His Excellency Mr. Veleriu Stefan Zgonea, President of the Chamber of Deputies, Parliament of Romania. On behalf of the Members of the House and my own behalf, I take pleasure in extending our hearty welcome to the leader and other members of the delegation and wish our distinguished guests an enjoyable and fruitful stay in our country. We hope that during the stay here, they would be able to see and learn more about our parliamentary system, our country and our people and that their visit to this country will further strengthen the friendly bonds that exist between India and Romania.

Through them, we convey our greetings and best wishes to the Parliament and the friendly people of Romania.

OBSERVATION BY THE CHAIR

Regarding acknowledging Prime Minister's Statement made on 4th December and appealing to all Political Parties to uphold Constitutional Values

MR. CHAIRMAN: Hon. Members, I wish to say:-

"This House, while acknowledging the statement of Prime Minister made in this House on the 4th of December, appeals to all Members of the Parliament, Ministers and leaders of all political parties to maintain civility at all costs in public discourse for the successful functioning of parliamentary democracy and to uphold our commitment to constitutional values."