

Monday, the 5th July, 2004/14 Asadha, 1926 (Saka)

The House met at eleven of the clock,

MR. CHAIRMAN in the Chair.

The National Anthem, "*Jana Gana Mana*", was played)

ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING THE LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION

MR. CHAIRMAN: I inform hon. Members that I have accorded recognition to Shri Jaswant Singh, Member and Leader of the Bharatiya Janata Party in the Rajya Sabha as the Leader of the Opposition in the Rajya Sabha with effect from 5th July, 2004 pursuant to his re-election to the Rajya Sabha on 5th July, 2004.

INTRODUCTION OF MINISTER

THE PRIME MINISTER (DR. MANMOHAN SINGH): Hon. Chairman, Sir, with your permission I wish to introduce to you, and through you to this august House, Shri S. Jaipal Reddy, Minister of Information and Broadcasting and Culture.

MEMBERS SWORN

Shri Jaswant Singh (Rajasthan)
Shri Raashid Alvi (Andhra Pradesh)
Shri Penumalli Madhu (Andhra Pradesh)
Shri C. Ramachandraiah (Andhra Pradesh)
Shri Jairam Ramesh (Andhra Pradesh)
Shri Girish Sangi (Andhra Pradesh)
Shri Jesudasu Seelam (Andhra Pradesh)
Shri Mangani Lal Mandal (Bihar)
Shri Vidya Sagar Nishad (Bihar)
Shrimati Mohsina Kidwai (Chhattisgarh)
Shri Oscar Fernandes (Karnataka)