

I wish to dispel the perception. The House proceedings being contrary, our interaction in my Chamber was one of cooperation, involvement and effective exchange where I had the occasion to take into consideration the varied requests they made on various issues enabling Members for wider participation to their great satisfaction.

I acknowledge the untiring efforts of the Secretary-General, who, while the Session is there, works virtually 24x7, giving me no occasion to remind him even once what I have told him to perform. His team of dedicated officers and staff has ensured that the Session runs smoothly, and a word of appreciation from the Chair for all of them.

I thank the Media for covering the proceedings of the House and keeping the people informed.

I would like to extend my good wishes to all the Members of the House, present and not present, for the upcoming festivals. I look forward with hope, expectation and confidence that the next Session would be rewarding for every Member of the House and for the benefit of the entire nation.

NATIONAL SONG

MR. CHAIRMAN: Now, the National Song.

(The National Song, 'Vande Mataram' was then played.)

MR. CHAIRMAN: The House stands adjourned *sine die*.

The House then adjourned sine die at fifty-five minutes past three of the clock.