

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. L. MURUGAN): Sir, I move the following Motion:- ...*(Interruptions)*...

“That this House resolves that the Rajya Sabha do join the Committee of both the Houses on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes for the term beginning on the 1st May, 2025 and ending on the 30th April, 2026, and do proceed to elect, in accordance with the system of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote, ten Members from amongst the Members of the House to serve on the said Committee.”

The question was put and the Motion was adopted.

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

MR. CHAIRMAN: Hon. Members, a Message from the hon. President. ...*(Interruptions)*... Take your seats. I am reading a Message from the hon. President of India. ...*(Interruptions)*... Hon. Members, a Message from the President of India must receive due deference, due respect. ...*(Interruptions)*...

THE LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION (SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE): We are giving, but, ...*(Interruptions)*...

MR. CHAIRMAN: Ask your Members. This is not respect. This is disrespect to the President of India. This is disrespect to the first tribal woman who is the President of India. ...*(Interruptions)*... Take your seats. Let me read out the Message. ...*(Interruptions)*... Please. ...*(Interruptions)*... I appeal to your good sense... ...*(Interruptions)*... I appeal to you, don't show disrespect to the President of India. ...*(Interruptions)*... We should respect the President of India, the first tribal woman to hold the position. ...*(Interruptions)*... Ask your Members. ...*(Interruptions)*... Hon Leader of the Opposition, let us listen to the Message of the President. She is the first citizen of the country, the first tribal woman ever to hold this post. ...*(Interruptions)*... Please take your seats. Please take your seats. ...*(Interruptions)*... Don't disrespect. I will name you. I would name the Members now. ...*(Interruptions)*... I will not overlook or countenance disrespect to the hon. President. I appeal to the Leader of the Opposition. ...*(Interruptions)*... Please take your seats. You are showing disrespect to the hon. President... ...*(Interruptions)*... The House is adjourned to meet at 11.20 a.m.

The House then adjourned at ten minutes past eleven of the clock.

The House reassembled at twenty minutes past eleven of the clock,

MR. CHAIRMAN *in the Chair.*

MR. CHAIRMAN: Message from the hon. President of India. ...*(Interruptions)*... Please take your seats. ...*(Interruptions)*...

Hon. Members, I have received the following message dated 12th February, 2025, from the hon. President:

“I have received the expression of Thanks by the Members of Rajya Sabha for the Address which I delivered to both Houses of Parliament assembled together on 31st January, 2025.”

...*(Interruptions)*...

MR. CHAIRMAN: Please take your seat. You have been here enough. Do you want me to take the ultimate action? Take your seat. ...*(Interruptions)*... You are forcing me. You are not only forcing, the consequences are severe. Please take your seat. Persuade him. ...*(Interruptions)*... Someone should persuade him. ...*(Interruptions)*... I get your point. I hereby name... ...*(Interruptions)*... I am about to name both of you. I think, good sense would prevail. Listen to the Leader of the Opposition.

श्री मल्लिकार्जुन खरगे: पहले सभापति महोदय राष्ट्रपति जी का मैसेज पढ़ लें, उसके बाद आप अपनी बात रेज़ करिएगा। ...*(व्यवधान)*...

MR. CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Sir. I am grateful to the Leader of the Opposition.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MR. CHAIRMAN: I have to inform Members that the Business Advisory Committee in its meeting held on the 11th February, 2025, recommended the following Ministries for discussion on their working during the second part of the current Session. The Ministries are Home Affairs, Education, Railways and Health & Family Welfare. ...*(Interruptions)*... Hon. Members, it was further decided that the fifth Ministry, if to