



THE MADRAS LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

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The first Session of the Fourth Madras Legislative Assembly which was summoned to meet from 15th March 1967 was adjourned sine die on the 30th March 1967.

I. Sittings of the Assembly

The Legislative Assembly met for eleven days during the period (15th to 30th March 1967) and in terms of hours it sat for 48 hours and seven minutes.

II. Obituary Reference

On 20th March 1967, Hon. Speaker announced to the House the demise of Thiru. Shanmuga Rajeswara Sethupathi, a former member of the Madras Legislative Assembly from 1946 to 1967 and Minister from 1952-57 on the 4th March 1967.

The members stood in silence for a minute as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased.

III. Swearing in of Members

Thiru P.K. Mookiah Thevar, Member, Legislative Assembly, representing Usilampatti Constituency was appointed as the Speaker pro-tem by the Governor, in exercise of the powers conferred by Article 188 of the Constitution of India, before whom oath or affirmation may be made by members of the Legislative Assembly under the said Article. He made and subscribed his oath in English before the Governor on 13th March 1967 at Raj Bhavan, Guindy. All other members made the oath or affirmation before the Speaker pro-term or the Hon. Speaker as detailed below:-

(i) On 15th March 1967, two hundred and twenty-one members made and subscribed the oath or affirmation before the Speaker pro-term. Of these, 46 members were sworn-in in the name of God and 175 Members solemnly affirmed their allegiance to the Constitution. Two hundred and thirteen members took their oath or made affirmation in Tamil and 8 members in English.

(ii) On 17th March 1967, Thiru. V. ChinnaSwamy solemnly affirmed his allegiance to the Constitution in Tamil.

The following members made and subscribed the oath or affirmation in the Chamber of Hon. Speaker on the dates noted against each.

Thiru S. Alaguthevar ...	Made and subscribed oath in Tamil before the Speaker pro-tem.	16 th March 1967
Thiru S. Srinivasan ...	Made and subscribed oath in English before the Speaker pro-tem	Do.
Thiru J.S. Rasu ...	Solemnly affirmed his allegiance to the Constitution in Tamil before the Speaker pro-tem.		17 th March 1967
Thiru. N. Kasiraman	Made and subscribed oath in Tamil before the Hon. Speaker		...18 th March 1967
Thiru. A. Senapathy Gounder			
Thiru. P.Venkatachalaathevar			
Thiru. P.K.C. Muthuswamy	Do		... 20th March 1967
Mrs. A. Soares	Made and subscribed oath in English before the Hon. Speaker.		... 23 rd March 1967

IV. Election of Speaker and Deputy Speaker

The election of Speaker and Deputy Speaker was held on the 17th March 1967.

On 17th March 1967, the Speaker pro-tem read out to the Assembly the names of the members who had been validly nominated for the office of Speaker together with those of their proposers and seconders.

Members nominated (1)	Proposer. (2)	Secunder (3)
1. Thiru. Si. Pa. Aditanar	Hon. Thiru. V.R. Nedunchezhiyan.	Hon. Thiru. M. Karunanidhi
2. Do.	Thiru. M.S. Sivaswamy	Thiru A.L. Subramaniam.
3. Thiru. K.S. Kothandaramaiah.	Thiru. Sowdi Sundara Bharathi.	Thiru. A.R. Perumal.

As more than one member has been duly nominated, the Assembly proceeded under sub-rule 4 of rule 4 of the Madras Legislative Assembly Rules to elect a Speaker by ballot. Accordingly a poll was held. The two contesting candidates did not vote. The members of the Congress party abstained from voting Thiru. Si.Pa. Aditanar secured 153 votes and Thiru. K.S. Kothandaramiah secured 21 votes. One vote was declared invalid. The Speaker pro-tem declared Thiru. Si. Pa. Aditanar as having been elected as Speaker.

Thiru.K. Govindan, the only candidate validly nominated for election as the Deputy Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, was declared elected unanimously by the Speaker.

V. Governor's Address

Sardar Ujjal Singh, Governor of Madras, addressed the members of both the Houses of the Legislature assembled together in the Legislative Assembly Chamber, Fort St. George, Madras, at 5.p.m. on Friday, the 17th March 1967. The discussion on the Governor's Address took place in the Assembly for six days on 18th 20th and from 27th to 30th March 1967. One hundred and one members took part in the discussion. The Hon. Chief Minister replied to the debate.

Thiru M.S. Mani moved the Motion of Thanks to the Governors Address and Thiru. S. Murugain seconded. Six amendments were moved to the Motion of Thanks and they were either not pressed or deemed to have been withdrawn. The Motion of Thanks was adopted.

VI. Panel of Chairmen

On 29th March 1967, Hon.Speaker announced the following Panel of Chairmen for the First Session of the Fourth Madras Legislative Assembly:-

1. Thiru. A.V.P. Asaithambi.
2. Thiru. M.S.Mani
3. Thiru. T.M. Nallasami.
4. Thiru. K. Cheemaichamy.
5. Thiru.V.K. Kothandaraman.

VII. Questions

During the period 12 Starred questions and 3 Short Notice Questions were answered on the floor of the House.

VIII. Adjournment Motions

During the period under review nine notices of motions for adjournment of the business of the House were received, the details of which are given below:-

(1) On 21st March 1967, the Hon. Speaker read out to the House the notice of motion for adjournment of the business of the House given by Thiru A.K.Subbiah to discuss about the compulsory eviction of agriculturists from Varushanad hill area in Madurai district by the Police and Forest Department officials and withheld his consent to raise the same as the matter came under ordinary administration and as also the member had an opportunity to raise the matter during the discussion on the Governor's Address.

(2) On the same day, the Hon. Speaker withheld his consent to raise a motion for adjournment of the business of the House given by Dr. H. V. Hande to discuss about the sudden missing of a few files immediately after the announcement of the election results and before the present Ministry assumed office, as the Member had an opportunity to raise the matter in the course of the discussion on Interim Budget or he might give a notice under Rule 41 or a Short Notice Questions.

(3) On 23rd March 1967, the Hon. Speaker read out to the House a notice of motion for the adjournment of business of the House given by Thiru A. K. Subbiah to discuss the alleged hardships experienced by the Thiru A. K. Subbiah to discuss the alleged hardships experienced by the labourers of textile mills in Coimbatore district as a result of the action of the mill owners such as retrenchment in labour, cut in salary, etc., and withheld his consent to raise the same as the matter related to day-to-day administration. Moreover, a special machinery under the Industrial Disputes Act; is provided to redress the grievances of the labourers.

(4) On the same day, the Hon. Speaker read out another notice of motion or the adjournment of the business of the House given by Thiru K. Cheemaichamy to discuss the alleged hardships experienced by the riots of Usilampatti in Madurai district due to compulsory procurement of paddy by officials and withheld his consent to raise the same as the matter related to day-to-day administration and also the member had an opportunity to raise the matter during the discussion either on the Governor's Address or on the Interim Budget.

The Hon. Speaker also withheld his consent to raise a motion for adjournment of the business of the House given by Thiru M. Bupathy on the same day to discuss the alleged closure of certain textile mills in Coimbatore resulting in unemployment of thousands of workers, as according to May's Parliamentary Practice, adjournment motions could not be raised on matters which could be settled by Industrial Disputes Act. Also the member had an opportunity to raise the matter during the discussion on the Governor's Address.

(5) On 28th March 1967, the Hon. Speaker read out to the House notice of motion for the adjournment of the business of the House given by Thiru V. K. Kothandaraman to discuss the necessity to cancel the Palar Basin Rules to increase the food output in North Arcot district and withheld his consent to raise the same as it was not an urgent matter of recent occurrence.

(6) On the same day, the Hon. Speaker read out to the House a motion given notice of by Thiru A. K. Subbiah for the adjournment of the business of the House to discuss the alleged compulsory collection by the officials from the agriculturists towards loans, to enable the Madras State Electricity Board to realise the three-crore loan target and withheld his consent to raise the same as the matter came under ordinary administration. It was also not a matter of recent occurrence and the Member had an Opportunity to raise it during the discussion on the Governor's Address.

(7) On 29th March 1967, the Hon. Speaker withheld his consent to raise a motion for the adjournment of the business of the House given by Thiru Sowdi S. Sundara Bharathi to discuss the alleged grave situation prevalent in Sivakasi, Ramanathapuram district consequent on the seizure of concealed stocks of paddy and the closure of paddy go down in that area as the matter came under ordinary administration and also the member had an opportunity to raise it during the discussion on Governor's Address.

(8) On 30th March 1967, the Hon. Speaker read out to the House notice of motion for the adjournment of the business of the House given by Thiru S. Alagarwamy to discuss the hardships experienced by the people in Koilpatti taluk, Tirunelveli district due to non-supply of food grains in rural areas and supply at reduced quantity in urban areas even though the family card system is in vogue, and withheld his consent to raised the same as the matter came under ordinary administration.

IX. Statement made under Rule 41 of the Assembly Rules

During the period six statements were made by Minister on their attention being called by the members to matters of urgent public importance under Rule 41 of the Assembly Rules details of which are given below:-

Serial number and date on which statement was made. (1)	Name of Member who called the attention (2)	Minister who made the statement. (3)	Subject-matter (4)
1. 23 rd March 1967.	Thiru M. Rajangam.	Hon. Thiru K.A.Mathialagan, Minister for Food.	Action taken by the Government in Tamil Nadu to solve the food situation, control of rise in the price of, commodities, and to prevent black market etc.
2. 27 th March 1967.	Dr. H.V. Hande, and Thiru S. Diraiswamy.	Hon. Thiru V.R.. Nedunchezhiyan, Minister for Education and Industries.	Situation prevalent in different parts of Tamil Nadu especially in Coimbatore district due to closure of many textile mills.
3. 29 th March 1967	Thiru A. Sahadeva Kandar.	Hon. Thiru M. Karunanidhi, Minister for Public Works.	Withering of crops, in nearly 20,000 acres of lands in Thandarampattu constituency due to the breach in the main canal of the Sathanur Dam.
*4. 30 th March 1967.	Thiru A. R. Subbiah Mudaliar.	Hon. Thiru K.A. Mathialagan, Minister for Food	Necessity to postpone the collection of dues from the riots in Shencotta, Tenkasi and Sankarankoil taluks of Tirunelveli district.

Serial number and date on which statement was made. (1)	Name of Member who called the attention (2)	Minister who made the statement. (3)	Subject-matter (4)
*5. 30 th March 1967.	Thiru A. Balasubramanian, Thiru M. Bhupathy, Thiru V.K. Kothandaraman Thiru N. Varadharajan. Thiru K.R. Gnanasambandam.	Hon. Thiru V.R. Nedunchezhiyan, Minister for Education and Industries.	Situation arising out of the closure of 'My Coffee Bar' at Mount Road Madras.
*6 30 th March 1967.	Thiru A.M.Raja. Thiru.E.M. Natarajan. Thiru K.N. Swaminathan. Thiru C.M. Chinnaswamy.	Hon. Thiru K.A. Mathialagan, Minister for Food.	Conditions prevailing in Bhavani and Erode taluks due to Betterment Tax from agriculturists.

*A motion under rule 244 of the Assembly Rules for suspension of Rule 41(3) of the Assembly Rules was moved by the Hon. Leader of the House and carried for making the last three statements on the same day.

X. Statement under Rule 82 of the Assembly Rules

On the 27th March 1967, Hon. Chief Minister made a statement under rule 82 of the Madras Legislative Assembly Rules in regard to the appointment of Advocate-General and Public Prosecutor by the Government.

XI. Financial Business

The Interim Budget for the year 1967-68 was presented to the Legislative Assembly by Hon. Thiru C.N. Annadurai, Chief Minister on the 20th March 1967. The General discussion on the same took place on the 21st March 1967 and the demands for advance grants were voted on 23rd March 1967. Out of 47 cut motions admitted only 8 cut motions were moved but they were withdrawn by leave of the House and all the grants were voted in full. The Appropriation Bill relating to the Interim Budget for 1967-68 was introduced in the Assembly on the 23rd March 1967 and considered and passed on 27th March 1967.

The Final Supplementary Statement of Expenditure for the year 1966-67 was presented to the Legislative Assembly by Hon. Thiru C.N. Annadurai, Chief Minister on the 21st March 1967 and it was discussed and voted on 25th March 1967.

The Appropriation Bill relating to the Final Supplementary Statement of Expenditure for the year 1966-67 was introduced in the Assembly on the 25th March 1967 and was considered and passed on the 27th March 1967.

XII. Legislative Business

During the period the following Bills were introduced, considered and passed on the dated noted against each:-

Name of Bill (1)	Date of Introduction (2)	Date of Consideration and passing of (3)
1. The Madras Appropriation (Vote on Account) Bill, 1967.	23 rd March 1967.	27 th March 1967.
2. The Madras District Municipalities (Amendment) Bill, 1967.	Do.	28 th March 1967.
3. The Madras Legislature (Prevention of Disqualification) Bill, 1967.	25 th March 1967.	Do.
4. The Madras Appropriation (No.4) Bill, 1967.	Do.	27 th March 1967.

XIII. Government Motions

(1) Hon. Thiru V.R. Nedunchezhiyan, Minister for Education and Industries moved the following motion on the 20th March 1967.

“ That with reference to rule 164 of the Madras Legislative Assembly Rules this Assembly do proceed, on a date to be fixed by the Hon.Speaker, to elect fourteen members to be members of the Committee on Estimates for the year 1967-68”.

The motion was put and carried.

(2) Hon. Thiru V.R.Nedunchezhiyan, Minister for Education and Industries moved the following motion on the 20th March 1967.

"That with reference to rule 173 of the Madras Legislative Assembly Rules, this Assembly do proceed, on a date to be fixed by the Hon. the Speaker to elect fourteen members to be members of the Committee on Public Accounts for the year 1967-68."

The motion was put and carried.

(3) On 20th March 1967, Hon. Thiru V.R. Netunchezhiyan, Minister for Education and Industries moved the following motion.

"Those with reference to rule 183 of the Madras Legislative Assembly Rules, this Assembly do proceed on a date to be fixed by the Hon. the Speaker, to elect twelve members to be members of the Committee of Privileges for the financial year 1967-68."

The motion was put and carried.

(4) Hon. Thiru V.R. Nedunchezhiyan, Minister for Education and Industries moved the following motion on 20th March 1967.

"That with reference to rule 221 of the Madras Legislative Assembly Rules this Assembly do proceed on a date to be fixed by the Hon. the Speaker to elect eleven members to be members of the House Committee for the financial year 1967-68."

The motion was put and carried.

(5) Hon. Thiru V.R. Nedunchezhiyan, Minister for Education and Industries moved the following motion on 27th March 1967.

"That this House recommends to the Legislative Council that they do nominate five members of the Council to associate with the Committee on Estimates of this House for the year 1967-68 and communicate to this House the names of the members so nominated."

The motion was put and carried.

(6) On 30th March 1967, Hon. Thiru V.R. Nedunchezhiyan, Minister for Education and Industries moved the following motion under rule 244 of the Madras Legislative Assembly Rules:-

"That sub-rule (3) of Rule 41 of the Madras Legislative Assembly Rules in so far as it requires that not more than two matters shall be raised under rule 41 at the same sitting **be suspended**".

The motion was put and carried.

XIV. Privilege Matter

On 29th March 1967, the Hon. Speaker referred suo motu to the Committee of Privileges, for examination and report a matter of Privilege in regard to the imputation of partiality to the Hon. Speaker by Thiru. A. Chidambaranatha Nadar in allowing supplementaries during question hour.

XV. Constitution of Committees

The following Committees were constituted for the year 1967-68:-

1. Business Advisory Committee.
2. Rules Committee.
3. Committee of Privileges.
4. Committee on Subordinate Legislation.
5. House Committee.
6. Committee on Government Assurances.
7. Committee on Public Accounts.
8. Committee on Estimates.

The names of the members of the Committees are shown in Appendix I.

Three members of the Council to the Committee on Subordinate Legislation and five members to the Committee on Estimates for 1967-68 were nominated by the Legislative Council to serve on the above Committees. Also five members of the Council were selected by the legislative council to serve on the Committee on Public Accounts for 1967-68. The names of the members of the Council who were nominated and selected are shown in Appendix-II.

XVI. Points of Order

(1) On 21st March 1967 Hon.Speaker gave his ruling on a point of order raised by Thiru P.G. Karuthiruman with regard to reading of excerpts from news papers in the House.

(2) On the same day the Hon. Speaker gave his ruling to a point of order raised by Thiru K. Vinayagam with regard to the absence of question hour in the Assembly so far.

(3) On 29th March 1967, the Hon. Speaker gave his ruling on a point of order raised by Thiru. A.A. Subbaraja regarding his notice of privilege.

XVII. Papers laid on the Table of the House

During the period under review 140 papers were on th Table of the House. Details of which are given below:-

A. Statutory Rules and Orders	119
B. Reports, Notifications and other papers	21

Total		140

Election to the senate of the Madras University

On 23rd March 1967, the following six members have been declared duly elected to the Senate of the Madras University without contest:-

1. Thiru K.R. Gnanasambandan.
2. „ K.N. Ramachandran.
3. „ K.M. Ramasami Gounder.
4. „ A.M. Raja.
5. „ G. Bhuvarahan.
6. „ K. Jayaraman.

C.D.NATARAJAN,
Secretary

Appendix I

**THE MADRAS LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY-
COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE
1967-68**

**BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
(CONSTITUTED ON 18TH MARCH, 1967)**

1. Aditanar, Hon. Thiru Si. PA. (Chairman)
2. Alagamuthu, Thiru T.P.
3. Balasubramanyam, Thiru A.
4. Habibullah Baig, Dr.
5. Karunanithi, Hon. Thiru M.
6. Karuthiruman, Thiru P.G
7. Marimuthu, Thiru A.R.
8. Mathialagan, Hon . Thiru K.A.
9. Mookiah Thevar, Thiru P.K.
10. Nallasivam, Thiru K.R.
11. Nedunchezhiyan, Hon Thiru V.R.
12. Sivagnanam, Thiru M.P.
13. Subbiah, Thiru A.K.
14. Vinayakam, Thiru. K.

**COMMITTEE ON RULES
(CONSTITUTED ON 28TH MARCH 1967)**

1. Aditanar, Hon. Thiru Si. PA, (Chairman).
2. Alagamuthu, Thiru T.P.
3. Arunachalam, Thiru V.
4. George, Thiru V.
5. Hande, Dr. H.V.
6. Karuthiruman, Thiru P.G.
7. Madhavan, Hon. Thiru S.
8. Marimuthu, Thiru A.R.
9. Mathialagan, hon. Thiru K.A.
10. Munusamy, Thiru V.
11. Natarajan, Thiru E.M.
12. Nedunchezhiyan, Hon. Thiru V.R.
13. Ramamoorthi, Thiru K.
14. Varadarajan, Thiru N.
15. Vezhavendan, Thiru K.

COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES
(CONSTITUTED ON 28TH MARCH 1967)

1. Govindan, Pulavar K. (Chairman).
2. Govindarajan, Thiru C.
3. Kannan, Thiru M.R.
4. Karuthiruman, Thiru P.G.
5. Kumarasamy, Thiru K.N.
6. Narasimhan, Thiru A.C.
7. Natarajan, Thiru E.M.
8. Nedunchezhiyan, Hon. Thiru V. R.
9. Ramamoorthi, Thiru K.
10. Sivaperumal, Thiru K. N.
11. Subramanian, Thiru A.L.
12. Sowdi Sundarabarathy Thiru S.
13. Velusamy, Thiru P.
14. Vezhavendan, Thiru K.
15. William, Thiru M.

COMMITTEE ON SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION
(CONSTITUTED ON 29TH MARCH 1967)

1. Aranganathan, Thiru R.N. (Chairman)
2. Alagamuthu, Thiru T.P.
3. Bojan, Thiru K.
4. Govindan, Thiru K.R.
5. Krishnan, Thiru N.
6. Martin, Thiru T.
7. Palanivel Rajan, Thiru
8. Sankariah, Thiru N.
9. Sivaperumal, Thiru K.N.
10. Vinayakam, Thiru K.

HOUSE COMMITTEE
(CONSTITUTED ON 28TH MARCH 1967)

1. Govindan, Pulavar K. (Chairman)
2. Bellie Gowder, Thiru J.
3. Bharathi Mohan, Thiru G.
4. Kariamanickam Ambalam, Thiru KR. RM.
5. Karuppaiah, Thiru R.
6. Kittappa, Thiru N.
7. Kolathur Kothandam, Thiru
8. Krishnan, Thiru A.
9. Mani, Thiru K.B.S.
10. Muthuselvan, Thiru P.S.
11. Peer Mohamed, Haji M.M.
12. Perumal, Thiru A.R.
13. Rajavelu, Thiru T.A.
14. Ramachandra Durai, thiru R.
15. Swaminathan, Thiru V.
16. Thangappan, Thiru T.

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ASSURANCES
(CONSTITUTED ON 30TH MARCH 1967)

1. Chidambaram Pillai, Thiru I. A. (Chairman)
2. Abdul Ghafoor Sahib, Thiru.
3. Alagamuthu, Thiru T.P.
4. Alangaram, Thiru M.
5. Govindarajan, Thiru v.S.
6. Kothandaramiah, Thiru K.S.
7. Murugaiyan, Pulavar G.
8. Murugaiyan, Thiru S.
9. Thippiah, Thiru T.T.S.
10. Viswanathan, Thiru C. G.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS
(CONSTITUTED ON 27TH MARCH 1967)

1. Karuthiruman, Thiru P.G. (Chairman)
2. Annadurai, Hon. Thiru C.N.
3. Balan, Thiru M.C.
4. Bhupathy, Thiru M.
5. Habibullah Baig, Dr.
6. Krishnamoorthy, Thiru C.
7. Krishnan, Thiru E.R.
8. Malaichamy, Thiru P.
9. Manian, Thiru P.S.
10. Mookiah Thevar, Thiru P.K.
11. Munuswamy Gounder, Thiru P.M.
12. Ponnappa Nadar, Thiru R.
13. Ramachandran, Thiru S.
14. Sarathi, Thiru M.P.
15. Soundarapandian, Thiru P.
16. Subbiah Mudaliar, Thiru A.I.

COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES
(CONSTITUTED ON 27TH MARCH 1967)

1. Ramachandran, Thiru S. (Chairman)
2. Annadurai, Hon. Thiru C.N.
3. Annamalai, Thiru C.V.M.
4. Balasubramanian, Thiru S.
5. Chidambaranatha Nadar, Thiru A.
6. Chinnasamy, Thiru M.
7. Hande, Dr. H.V.
8. Karuthiruman, Thiru P.G.
9. Malaikannan, Thiru V.
10. Muthulingam, Thiru S.
11. Ramalingam, Thiru S.
12. Sivasami, Thiru M.S.
13. Subbiah, Thiru A.K.
14. Surendran, Thiru M.
15. Vedachalam, Thiru M.
16. Vinayakam, Thiru K.

APPENDIX - II

Associate Members of the Legislative Council to the Committee subordinate
Legislation--

1. Balasubramania Ayyar, Thiru K.
2. Lakshmanan, Thiru S.V.
3. Manjubashini, Thirumathi S.
4. Natarajan, Thiru N.V.
5. Wilson Apollos, Thiru

Associate Members of the Legislative Council to the Committee on Public
Accounts--

1. Damodaran, Thiru A.R.
2. Natarajan, Thiru N.V.
3. Ponnuswamy Villavarayar, Thiru J.
4. Rajamarthandan, Thiru S.
5. Thiagarajan, Thiru N.R.

Associate Members of the Legislative Council to the Committee
Estimates--

1. Aiyaswamy, Thiru M.
2. Chitararasan, Thiru C.P.
3. Ramadoss, Thiru K.
4. Santhosham, Thiru D.
5. Saraswathi Pandurangam, Thirumathi.
