

THE TAMIL NADU LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

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RESUME OF WORK TRANSACTED BY THE TAMIL NADU LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FROM 20TH JANUARY TO 28TH JANUARY 1970.

I. PROROGATION.

The Sixth Session of the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly was prorogued with effect from 17th November 1969.

The Seventh Session of the Fourth Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly which was summoned to meet on the 19th January 1970 was adjourned sine die on the 28th January 1970.

II. SITTINGS OF THE ASSEMBLY

The Legislative Assembly met for 7 days during the period (from 20th to 28th January 1970) and in terms of hours, it sat for 27 hours and 42 minutes.

III. CONDOLENCE RESOLUTIONS

On 20th January, 1970, the Hon. Thiru M. Karunanidhi, Chief Minister moved the following condolence resolutions and the same were adopted unanimously:-

(i) Condolence Resolution on the demise of Dr. P. V. Cherian-

"This House places on record its profound sense of sorrow at the sudden demise on 9th November 1969 of Dr. P. V. Cherian, former Chairman of the Tamil Nadu Legislative Council and Governor of Maharashtra, who presided over the Council for about 12 years with great distinction and conspicuous ability and endeared himself to one and all by his affability and courtesy and conveys its deep sympathy to Thirumathi .Tara Cherian and the members of the bereaved family".

(ii) Condolence Resolution on the demise of Thiru. A. Chidambaranatha Nadar, MLA

"This House expresses his profound grief at the sad and sudden demise on 17th December 1969 of Thiru.A.Chidambara Nadar a sitting Member representing Colachel Constituency. He was a member of this house from 1957 onwards. He was also a member in the Travancore Cochin Legislative Assembly and was a member in that state in 1952.

The House conveys its deep sympathy and condolences to Tmt. Chidambaranath Nadar and other member of his family.

The resolutions were carried nem con, and all the members stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the departed souls. As a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased, the House adjourned for that day.

IV. OBITUARY REFERENCE

On 20th January 1970, Hon. Speaker announced to the House the demise of Thiru. G. Vijayarangam, a sitting Member of the Legislative Council on 22nd November 1969.

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

V. PANEL OF CHAIRMEN

On 21st January 1970, Hon. Speaker announced the following panel of Chairmen for the Seventh Session of the Fourth Legislative Assembly:-

Thiru. N. Dharmalingam

Thiru. R. N. Ranganathan.

Thiru. N.S.V. Chithan.

Thiru. KR. RM. Kariamanickam Ambalam.

Thiru. M. Surendran.

Thiru. V. D.Annamalai.

VI. QUESTIONS

During the period 108 Starred Questions and one Private Notice Question were answered on the floor of the House.

STATEMENT BY THE MINISTER

On 22nd January 1970, Hon. Thiru. K. Vezhavendan, Minister for Labour, made a statement correcting the answer given to a Supplementary question put by Thiru. A.P. Shanmugasundaram, to Question No.89, which was answered on the floor of the House n 26th February 1969.

VII. ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS.

During the period under review 11 notices of motions for adjournment of the business of the House were brought before the House and the Hon. Speaker withheld his consent to raise the same.

Serial Number.	Date.	Name of member.	Subject-matter.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
1.	22nd January 1970.	Thiru. M. Surendran	To discuss about the fasting by 5 Harijans of Nangavalli village as a result of the arrest of the Harijans by the police on 16th January 1970.
2.	22nd January 1970.	Thiru. P.G. Karuthiruman	To discuss about the incident of arrest of Thiru S.V. Lakshmanan, M.L.C., and ten others in Coimbatore District and sealing a portion of the building of the District Congress Committee by the police.
3.	Do.	Thiru. N.S.V. Chithan	To discuss about the arrest of Thiru S. V. Lakshmanan, M.L.C., at Coimbatore and the failure of the Government to maintain and uphold the rule of law.
4.	Do.	Thiru. K. Ramamoorthi, Thiru. N.S.V. Chithan, Thiru. V.K. Kothandaraman.	To discuss about the continued collection of college fees from the P.U.C. students in the S.I.E.T. College against the directions of the Government.
5.	Do.	Thiru P. G. Karuthiruman.	To discuss about the proposal to launch an agitation for the merger of Talavadi Firka with the Mysore State, by a member of the Mysore Legislative Assembly and others.
6.	23rd January 1970.	Thiru. V. Swaminathan.	To discuss about the use of certain areas in Tiruchirappalli District as a shooting range by the Army and the consequent fear of danger created among the people in and around the areas.

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7.	Do.	Thiru. V.K. Kothendaraman.	To discuss about the firing by the R.P.F. in the Integral Coach Factory on 8th January 1970 resulting in the death of a worker.
8.	24th January 1970.	Thiru. N.S.V. Chithan, Thiru.T.Martin Thiru.K.Ramamurthy	To discuss about the death of five persons and the destruction of 33 huts on account of the fire during the clashes between two groups of Harijans at Kachirapalayam and Agarapalayam village and Agarapalayam villages in South Arcot District on 16th January 1970.
9.	Do.	Haji M.M. Peer Mohammed.	To discuss about the insinuating remarks made by Member Vattal Nagaraj in his speech in the Mysore Legislative Assembly against the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, in violation of all Parliamentary conventions.
10.	28th January 1970.	Thiru.M. Bupathy.	To discuss about the lathi charge made by the Police in the industrical dispute in the Coimbatore Cooperative Spinning Mills at Dharapuram.
11.	Do.	Thiru. T. Martin	To discuss about the situation created in Pattukottai Taluk in Thanjavur District on the 25th January 1970, by a group of armed violent mob who interfered with the police personnel engaged in the arrest of paddy smugglers in that area.

VIII. STATEMENT MADE UNDER RULE 41 OF THE ASSEMBLY RULES.

During the period 10 statements were made by the Hon. Ministers on their attention being called by the members under rule 41 of the Assembly rules to matters of urgent public importance, as detailed below:-

Serial Number	Date on which statement was made.	Name of Member who called the attention of the Minister.	Minister who made the statement.	Subject matter.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
1.	23rd January 1970.	Thiru. Gomathisankara Dikshidar. Thiru. K.S. Kothandaramiah, Thiru. B. Venkataswamy, Dr.H.V. Hande,	Hon. Thiru. M. Karunanidhi, Chief Minister.	The clash between the Telugu students and the police around 11th December 1969 at Hosur in Dharmapuri District and the tense situation prevailing in that area.
2.	Do.	Pulavar P. Ponnambalam.	Hon. Thiru. P. U. Shanmugam, Minister for Food and Commercial Taxes.	The drought conditions prevailing in Tirumayam in Tiruchirappalli district and the necessity to install fair price shops in certain areas in that district.
3.	Do.	Dr. H. V. Hande.	Hon. Thiru. P. U. Shanmugam, Minister for Food and Commercial Taxes.	The accumulation of stocks of sugar in the godowns of almost all the sugar factories in Tamil Nadu on account of the levy sugar not being lifted in time.

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4.	24th January 1970	Do.	Hon. Thirumathi Satyavani Muthu, Minister for Agriculture and Harijan Welfare.	The damage of crops due to excessive rain in Vedaranyam and other parts of East Thanjavur and the necessity for immediate relief measures to save the crops.
5.	27th January 1970.	Pulavar P. Ponnambalam.	Hon. Thiru. K.A. Mathialagan, Minister for Finance.	The drought conditions prevailing in Ponnamaravathi Panchayat Union area in Tirumayam constituency and the necessity of waiving the taxes and of not insisting recovery of loans in that area.
6.	Do.	Thiru. S. Duraiswamy.	Hon. Thiru. K. Vezhavendan, Minister for Labour.	The hardship experienced by the workers due to the closure of Sri Ramalings Soodambigai Mill in Tirupur since 1st November 1969.
7.	28th January 1970.	Dr. H. V. Hande. Thiru. R. Karuppiah.	Hon. Thiru. V. R. Nedunchezhiyan, Minister for education and Health.	The plight of the non-teachers employed in the Government aided Secondary Schools in view of the G. O. No.1880, dated 9th December 1969 of the Education Department in fixing the retirement age at 55 without giving them any retirement benefit.
8.	Do.	Thiru. P. Malaichamy.	Hon. Thiru. K. A. Mathialagan, Minister for Finance.	The failure of monsoon in Melur constituency, especially in the Natham and North Melur Unions and the necessity to take immediate steps to feed the affected people, to waive all taxes and to postpone the collection of loans.

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9.	Do.	Thiru. N.S.V. Chithan,	Hon. Thiru. P.U. Shanmugam, Minister for Food and Commercial Taxes.	The recent unauthorised sales of rice by the rice millers in Dingidul, Madurai district were acted as procuring agents for Government and the consequent loss to the Government.
10.	Do.	Dr. H.V. Hande, Thiru. K. Cheemaichamy.	Hon. Thiru. V. R. Nedunchezhiyan, Minister for Education and Health.	The rigid attitude of the authorities of the S.I.E.T. College in collecting the term fees from the P.U.C. students in contravention of the Government Order and the consequences thereof.

IX. STATEMENT BY MINISTER CORRECTING THE REPLY MADE ON THE FLOOR OF THE HOUSE ON 21st MARCH 1969

On 27th January 1970, Hon. Thirumathi Satyavani Muthu, Minister for Agriculture and Harijan Welfare made a statement correcting the reply given in regard to the B.I.M. (Indian Medicine) Course and B.V.Sc Degree Course during the discussion on Demands for Grants-Medical, Public Health and Capital Outlay on Public Health, made in the Assembly on 21 March 1969.

X. FINANCIAL BUSINESS

The Second Supplementary Statement of Expenditure for the year 1969-70 was presented to the Legislative Assembly by Hon. Thiru K.A. Mathialagan, Minister for Finance, on the 23rd january 1970 and it was discussed and voted on the 27th January 1970.

The Appropriation Bill relating to the Second Supplementary Statement of Expenditure for the year 1969-70 was introduced in the Assembly on the 27th January 1970 and was considered and passed on the 28th January 1970.

XI. LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

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

Serial Number	Name of the Bill	Date of introduction.	Date of consideration and passing of.		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)		
1.	The Tamil Nadu General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1970 (L.A. Bill No.1 of 1970)	23rd January 1970	28th January 1970		
2.	The Tamil Nadu Sales of Motor Spirit Taxation (Amendment) Bill, 1970 (L.A. Bill No.2 of 1970.)	24th January 1970	28th January 1970		
3.	The Tamil Nadu Appropriation Bill, 1970 (L.A. Bill No.3of 1970.)	27th January 1970	28th January 1970		
4.	The Code of Civil Procedure (Tamil Nadu Amendment) Bill, 1969 (L.A. Bill No.25 of 1969).		28th January 1970		

XII. GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS

Sardar Ujjal Singh, Governor of Tamil Nadu, addressed the members of both the Houses of the Legislature assembled together in the Legislative Assembly Chamber, Fort St.George, Madras, at 11 a.m. on Monday, the 19th January 1970. Thiru R.N. Ranganathan moved the Motion of Thanks to the Governor's Address and Thiru S. Murugaian seconded. The discussion on the Motion of Thanks to the Governor's Address took place in the Assembly for five days on 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 28th January 1970. 55 members took part in the discussion and the Hon. Chief Minister retrive the debate on the 28th January 1970

The amendment moved by Thiru N. Sankariah and others was put to vote and declared lost. The other amendments moved to the Motion of Thanks were, by leave of the House, withdrawn. The Motion of Thanks moved by Thiru.i R. N. Ranganathan was adopted.

XIII. GOVERNMENT RESOLUTIONS

1. On 21st January 1970, Thiru. V.R. Nedunchezhiyan, Minister for Education and Health, moved the following resolution and the same was put and carried:-

"That this House ratifies the amendments to the Constitution of India falling within the purview of the proviso to Article 368 thereof, porposed to be made by the Constitution (Twenty-Third Amendment) Bill, 1969 as passed by both Houses of Parliament."

2. On 28th January 1970, Hon. Thiru. V.R. Nedunchezhiyan, Minister for Education and Health, moved the following resolution and the same was put and carried:-

"That the resolution carried in the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly on the 26th August 1968, approving under section 8 of the Cotton Transport Act, 1923 (Central Act III of 1923), certain amendments to rule 10 of the Madras Cotton Transport Rules, 1950, issued under section 7 of the said Act, be rescinded in so far as it relates to amendments to clauses (iii) and (iv) of the said rule."

3. On 28th January 1970, Hon. Thiru Si. Pa. Aditanar, Minister for Co-operation, moved the following resolution and the same was put and carried:-

"That the following draft of a rule to be issued by the State Government under subsection (1) of section 17 of the Tamil Nadu Motor Vehicles Taxation Act, 1931 (Tamil Nadu Act III of 1931), amending Schedules II and III to the said Act, be approved as required by sub-section (3) of the said section:-

DRAFT RULE

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 17 of the Tamil Nadu Motor Vehicles Taxation Act, 1931 (Tamil Nadu Act 111 of 1931), the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby makes the following amendments to Schedules II and III of the said Act:-

AMENDMENTS

1. In the said Schedule II. for the entries in columns (2) and (3) against item 4 (iv) in column (1), the following entries shall respectively be substituted, namely:-

'100-00';

2. In the said Schedule III, for the entries in columns (2) to (5) againt item 4 (d) in column (1), the following entries shall respectively be substituted, namely:-

'12-00 36-00 18-00 54-00'

XIV. GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

1. On 27th January 1970, Hon. Thiru. V.R. Nedunchezhiyan, Minister for Education and Health, moved that the Item IV-Second Supplementary Statement of Expenditure for the year 1969-70, and Item No.V- 'Government Bill' in the Agenda for the day be taken up before Item No.III-Discussion on Governor's Address.

The Motion was put and carried.

2. Hon. Thiru. V.R. Nedunchezhiyan, Minister for Education and Health, moved the following motion under Rule 244 of the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly Rules on 23rd, 27th, and 28th January 1970:-

"That sub-rule (3) of Rule 41 of the Tamil Nadu 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.

XV. PRIVILEGE MATTER

On 23rd January 1970, Thiru G.R. Edmund, Chairman, Committee of Privileges, moved

"That under Rule 191 (b) of the Assembly Rules, the Report of the Committee of Privileges on the case in regard to the matter of privilege against the Editor and Publisher of the Tamil Daily 'KADITHAM' presented to the House on 12th September 1969 be taken into consideration."

He also moved that if the motion is carried, that under Rule 191 (d) of the Assembly Rules, this Assembly agrees with the recommendations contained in the Report".

The Report was considered and adopted by the House.

XVI. PRESENTATION OF THE REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEES

The following Reports were presented to the House on the dates noted against each:-

SERIAL NUMBER.	REPORT.	DATE OF PRESENTATION.
(1)	(2)	(3)
1.	The Report of the Committee on the Audit Report on the Accounts of the Tamil Nadu Electricity Board for the year 1965-66.	21st January 1970.
2.	The Eleventh Report of the Committee on Estimates on the problems of Destitutes and Vagrants.	28th January 1970.

RETURN OF ASSETS OF MEMBERS

In pursuance of the resolution passed by the Assembly on 27th August 1969, the Return of Assets of 134 Members 10 Ministers and Speaker for the period ending 31st March 1967, 1968 and 1969 were placed on the Table of the House on 28th January 1970.

PAPERS PLACED ON THE TABLE OF THE HOUSE

During the period under review, 174 papers were laid on the Table of the House, details of which are given below:-

A. Statutory Rules and Orders	•••	•••	•••	 137
B. Reports, Notifications and Other	Papers			 37
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C.D. NATARAJAN, Secretary
