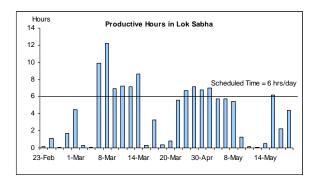


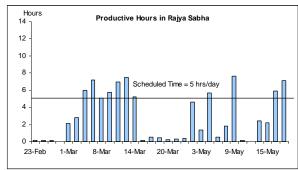
## **Vital Stats**

## Utilisation of Time by Parliament: Budget Session 2007 February 23 to May 17, 2007

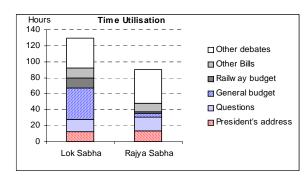
Parliament was scheduled to work for 42 days in the Budget Session. The session was curtailed, and Lok Sabha met for only 32 days and Rajya Sabha for 31 days during the session.



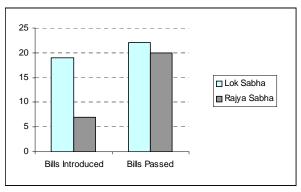
- Lok Sabha worked for 129 hours 22 minutes which is 51% of the originally scheduled time.
- On an average, on the days that Lok Sabha convened, it worked for four hours compared to the scheduled time of six hours per day.
- On 10 days, the House met for less than one hour, and on three days, for more than eight hours.



- Rajya Sabha worked for a total of 90 hours 30 minutes which is 43% of the total scheduled time.
- On an average, on the days that Rajya Sabha convened, it worked for 2 hours and 55 minutes compared to the scheduled time of five hours per day.
- On 13 days, the House met for less than one hour, and on four days, between seven and eight hours.



- Lok Sabha spent 40% of its time on discussions related to the General and Railway budgets. 9% of the time was spent on other Bills, 10% on the debate on the President's address and 29% on other debates. The Question Hour took 11% of its time.
- In Rajya Sabha, the budget discussions took 8% of the time, other Bills 12%, the debate on President's address 15% and other debates 47%. The Question Hour took 19% of its time.



- Lok Sabha Passed 22 Bills, while Rajya Sabha passed 20 of these.
- Of the 20 Bills passed by both Houses, there were 13 Bills other than the Finance Bill and Appropriation Bills.
- The average time spent by Rajya Sabha on these 13 Bills was 51 minutes. Lok Sabha spent an average 47 minutes discussing the 15 Bills (other than the Finance and Appropriation Bills) that it passed.

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## **Notes:**

- 1. The data for the above graphs has been obtained from the Parliamentary proceedings as reported on <a href="http://parliamentofindia.nic.in/">http://parliamentofindia.nic.in/</a>. The computation of time utilised has been done by PRS.
- 2. Productive hours of a House in a day includes the total time that the House was in session less the time that it was adjourned (including for lunch).
- 3. A list of the status of all legislative activity during the Budget Session is available in our <u>Parliament Session Wrap Budget Session 2007</u> dated May 18, 2007.

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