Vital Stats

Utilisation of Time by Parliament: Monsoon Session 2007
August 10 to September 10, 2007

Parliament was scheduled to work for 23 days in the Monsoon Session. The session was curtailed, and Parliament met for 17 days during the session.

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<td>Days worked</td>
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<td>Hours worked (Lok Sabha)</td>
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<td>Hours worked (Rajya Sabha)</td>
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- Lok Sabha worked for 65 hours which is 47% of the originally scheduled time.
- On an average, on the days that Lok Sabha convened, it worked for 4 hours compared to the scheduled time of six hours per day.
- On 6 days, the House met for less than one hour, and on 2 days, for more than 8 hours.
- 42 hours were lost due to interruptions.

- Rajya Sabha worked for a total of 52 hours which is 45% of the total scheduled time.
- On an average, on the days that Rajya Sabha convened, it worked for 3 hours compared to the scheduled time of five hours per day.
- On 4 days, the House met for less than 1 hour, and on 6 days, between five and seven hours.

- Lok Sabha spent 28 hours deliberating 6 Bills. 4 Bills were passed without discussion.
- Non legislative matters like the flood situation in the country, bomb blasts in Hyderabad etc. was discussed for 27 hours.
- Lok Sabha spent 6 hours on the question hour, which is scheduled for 1 hour each day.
- Rajya Sabha spent 24 hours deliberating 8 Bills. 3 Bills were passed without discussion.
- Non legislative matters like the flood situation in the country, bomb blasts in Hyderabad etc. was discussed for 14 hours.
- Rajya Sabha spent 7 hours on the question hour, which is scheduled for 1 hour each day.

Notes:
1. The data for the above graphs has been obtained from the Parliamentary proceedings as reported on http://parliamentofindia.nic.in. 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 Parliament Session Wrap – Monsoon Session 2007 dated September 10, 2007.