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57.1 PARLIAMENT SECURITY SERVICE - AN OVERVIEW

The Parliament Security Service of Rajya Sabha Secretariat looks after the security set up in the Parliament House Complex. Director (Security)/Special Director (Security) of the Rajya Sabha Secretariat exercises security operational control over the Parliament Security Service in the Rajya Sabha Sector under the administrative control of the JS & FA, Rajya Sabha Secretariat. Joint Secretary (Security), Lok Sabha Secretariat is the overall in-charge of security operations of entire Parliament Security including Parliament Security Services of both the Secretariats, Delhi Police, Parliament Duty Group (PDG) and all the other allied security service operating within the Complex. Parliament Security Service being an in - house security service *provides proactive, preventive and protective* security to the VIPs / VVIPs, all the buildings as well the incumbents of Parliament House complex. It is solely responsible for managing the access control and regulation of men, material and vehicles within the said complex.

Being the in-house security service its prime approach revolves around the principles of Access Control based on proper identification, verification, authentication and authorization of men and material resources entering into the Parliament House Complex with the help of modern security gadgets. The threat perception has been increasing over the years due to manifold growth of various terrorist organizations/outfits, refinement in their planning, intelligence, actions and surrogated war-fare tactics employed by organizations sponsoring and nourishing terrorists. New security procedures have been introduced into the security management to counter the ever-changing *modus operandi* of terrorist outfits/ individuals posing severe threat to the Parliament House Complex and its incumbent VIPs.

This avowed objective is achieved in close coordination with various security agencies such as Delhi Police (DP), Parliament Duty Group (PDG), Intelligence Bureau (IB), Special Protection Group (SPG) and National Security Guard (NSG). The Parliament Security Service acts as a key controlling and coordinating agency for providing a foolproof and user friendly security. The Parliament Security Service maintains proper liaison and effective coordination with these security agencies.

One of the important operational activities of the Parliament Security Service is Show Around of the Parliament House Complex to the visitors coming to see the Parliament House during inter-session period. The security officials of Parliament Security Service are deputed to ensure that the visitors, foreign dignitaries and delegations are escorted properly and given factual and significant information about brief history of Parliament and procedures being adopted for conducting the smooth proceedings of the Parliament. However, for the students, it is specially designed more or less on the pattern of an educational excursion. Visitors are also given a brief account about the PH Building, statues and portraits installed in the PH Complex.

57.2 UNIFIED OPERATIONAL COMMAND OF PARLIAMENT SECURITY SERVICE

The Joint Secretary (Security), Lok Sabha Secretariat, who operationally heads the Parliament Security Service of both the Lok Sabha / Rajya Sabha Secretariats, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him and with the approval of competent authority of Rajya

Sabha Secretariat, issued an Order No. 1440/UOC/JS(S)/2020 dated 10th August, 2020 regarding a single "Unified Operational Command" of the Parliament Security Service wings of Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha Secretariats. The Order, which came into effect from 7th August, 2020, is enumerated below:-

That, there would be a Unified Operational Command of Security Services under Joint Secretary (Security). However, the present system of separate PSS (Lok Sabha & Rajya Sabha) under the supervision of Director level Officer / s may continue, as the service rules of the two Secretariats are different.

(b) All matters related to deployment of officers/staff, leave management and training, in respect of officers/staff of PSS (Rajya Sabha) should be dealt in consultation with the Joint Secretary (Security).

(c) The recommendations of the Joint Secretary (Security) on all security related matters will be uniformly applicable to both the Secretariats. This includes issue of various types of Identity Cards, Entry Passes, Parking Labels/RF Tags, Common dress code of PSS Officials and other operational decisions taken in the interest of Security in PHC. However, in case of any specific need of Rajya Sabha in respect of the points mentioned at 'b' and 'c', decision/directions of Secretary General, Rajya Sabha shall be followed.

(d) Any specific direction of emergent nature issued by and implemented in Lok Sabha will be referred to RSS and implemented subject to approval of Secretary General, Rajya Sabha.

(e) In case of any disagreement between the two Secretariats in matters relating to security, the matter may be referred to Hon'ble Chairman, Rajya Sabha and Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha.

57.3 **RESPONSIBILITIES**

In the aftermath of the terrorist attack on Parliament House on December 13, 2001, the security arrangements were beefed up in accordance with the recommendations of the Joint Parliamentary Committee on Security Matters in Parliament House Complex. All the access points in the Parliament House Complex were streamlined in order to regulate vehicular and pedestrian movement. With the introduction of hi-tech security gadgets at the Access Control Points, the checking of unauthorized entry has been reassessed and made more effective. The Radio Frequency Tag readers have made the identification process more scientific and practical than ever before. It has also assisted in controlling the regular vehicular movements inside the Parliament House Complex. In addition to the above, the other responsibilities of Parliament Security Service are as follows:-

- **a.** Coordination for protection measures for all VVIPs, Members of Parliament, officers and staff of the Rajya Sabha Secretariat and Lok Sabha Secretariat, allied agencies and visitors,
- b. Provide effective and efficient security cover to Parliament House Complex;
- c. Ensuring thorough anti-sabotage and anti-explosive checks of all sectors of Parliament House, Parliament House Annexe/Extension Parliament Library Building.
- **d.** To have a well integrated access control system using all possible technical gadgets for security so as to ensure proper control and regulation of human resources (staff and visitors) and material resources (stores etc.) within Parliament House Complex and to ensure their proper checking, frisking and

regulation. Also to prevent unauthorized entry of men and material inside Parliament House Complex ;

- e. Guarding of the Rajya Sabha Chamber, Galleries, Central Hall and other vital areas of Parliament House, Parliament House Annexe, Annexe Extension and Parliament Library Building against any act of sabotage;
- **f.** Issue of various kind of Passes for Men, Materials and Vehicles to the Parliament House Complex;
- **g.** Issue of Radio Frequency Tags (Vehicles and Men) to Hon'ble MPs, officers and Staff of the Rajya Sabha Secretariat;
- **h.** Verification of antecedents of PA/PS (attached with MPs), Casual labours and visitors before issuing access passes;
- i. To facilitates the Show Around of visitors to the Parliament House;
- j. Maintenance of order within the precincts of Parliament House Complex;
- **k.** Planning and preparation for training of security personnel in coordination with other security and non-security agencies;
- **I.** Fire safety and preventive measures;
- **m.** Performing ceremonial and other duties of Marshal entrusted by the Hon'ble Chairman, Rajya Sabha inside or outside the Parliament House Complex.

57.4 AREA OF FUNCTION

Parliament House Complex *i.e.*, Parliament House, Parliament House Annexe, Parliament House Extension Building and Parliament Library Building is a high security sensitive area. The security arrangements within the Complex are made at a high level and are well coordinated with the police authorities and other security organizations for additional support and assistance. The Parliament Security Service (Rajya Sabha Sect. / Lok Sabha Sect.) being the In-House Security organization, is responsible for maintaining security and order within the Complex in association with various other allied security agencies deployed for the purpose.

In addition to the routine access control and operational security duties in Parliament House Complex, the services of personnel of Parliament Security Service are also requisitioned outside the Parliament House complex during National ceremonies such as Republic Day celebrations at Rajpath, Vijay Chowk, Independence Day celebrations at Red Fort, 'At Home' functions and Swearing in ceremonies at Rashtrapati Bhavan etc. Further, during the National and International Parliamentary Conferences / meetings, the duties of Parliament Security Service increase manifold viz. receiving and seeing-off of National and International delegates at the airport, looking after their lodging, boarding and their security arrangements at the respective hotels and accompanying them to the places of sightseeing apart from performing duties at the venue of such Conferences.

On 10^{th} Dec. 2020, Hon'ble PM laid the foundation stone of **New Parliament House Building**, wherein 38 officers / officials of PSS / RS were deputed to perform various security / ushering duties, in connection with the said function. Thereafter, an officer of the rank of Joint Director (Security) from PSS / RS has been detailed to facilitate / oversee the Access Control and regulation of Men, Material and Vehicles, for construction work of the said Building.

57.5 WINGS UNDER PARLIAMENT SECURITY SERVICE

For effective control and optimum performance, the Parliament Security Service has been divided into various wings, namely Ops-I, Ops-II, IP-PHA & Extn., OP-PHA, Administration, Training and Planning (ATP Wing), Inner Precincts (PH), Deployment & Galleries (PH), PLB and PTI Building, CPIC, Fire & Technical, Sanitation, Marshal and CCS (Central Command Station). **57.6** The Administrative Wing of Parliament Security Service is entrusted with the task of handling the administrative matters pertaining to the officers/ staff of Parliament Security Service such as career progression, livery, space requirement, work allocation, welfare and grievances, *etc*.

Apart from this, various other matters related to security arrangements of the offices of the Rajya Sabha Secretariat, located outside the PH complex viz. North Avenue, official residence of Secretary-General, Rajya Sabha and Plot of the Rajya Sabha Secretariat located at Sector XII, R.K Puram, New Delhi were also looked after by this wing.

57.6.1 ADMINISTRATIVE WORK:

- **a.** Updation of records such as manpower status, nominal roll, list of files etc. of Parliament Security Service was accomplished as per the guidelines contained in the manual of the Rajya Sabha Secretariat.
- b. The work related to day to day administrative work and taking up welfare matters such as career progression, Livery, Space requirements and grievances was undertaken by the ATP Wing. Total 151 Applications/Representations of security officials were forwarded to Estt.(G)/G.A. Section / Personnel Section for various reasons i.e. to apply for post outside Parliament like PSC, UPSC, etc. NOC for passport, applications for deputation / invigilators for Exams and permission etc.
- **c.** A total number of **09** RTI Applications were received from the RTI Cell under the RTI Act for which their replies were prepared and forwarded to the RTI Cell for further necessary action at their end.
- **d.** A total number of 02 Office orders regarding work allocation for the officials of the Parliament Security Service, Rajya Sabha Secretariat were circulated. Furthermore, 83 in-house office orders in respect to the substitutes in absence of the officers who proceeded on leave/training were circulated..

e. 13TH December, 2020 Floral Tribute Function

1. A function to pay Floral Tributes to the martyrs, who sacrificed their life during the terrorist attack on Parliament House on the 13th December, 2001 was organized on Sunday, the 13th of December, 2020 at 1030 hours at the plaque placed between Building Gate Nos. 11 & 12, Parliament House. On this occasion, *Shok Shastra*, 90 Seconds silence was observed followed by floral tributes in the honour of the martyrs.

2. In the wake of Covid-19 Pandemic and as per the guidelines issued by MHA, in order to maintain physical distancing norms *etc.*, some befitting arrangements were made, for this year. Necessary intimation to organize the Floral Tribute Function was sent to the Home Secretary, Govt. of India. Officers /staff of the Secretariat were not invited to ensure social distancing and as a precautionary measure. The strength of the contingent of PDG (CRPF) personnel presenting 'Guard of Honour' to the martyrs was curtailed accordingly.

Family Members of the Martyrs attending the programme were asked to bring negative RT-PCR test report, conducted within 72 hours prior to the function. A letter was also sent to Health Secretary, Govt. of India, with a request to arrange a team of Doctors & paramedics. The said team was stationed at Reception Office, Parliament House to carry out instant COVID detection (Rapid Antigen) test, in case, any family member of martyr / invitee failed to bring negative test report. Also, all the security personnel and other staff, who were deployed in close

proximity to the VVIPs and involved in the floral tribute function at the venue were tested for COVID (RT-PCR) on 11th December, 2020 (Friday). Unlike past precedents, the blood donation camp was not organized this year by the Indian Red Cross Society.

3. Sh. M. Vankaiah Naidu, Hon'ble Vice-President of India & Chairman Rajya Sabha; Sh. Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India; Sh. Om Birla, Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha; Sh. Harivansh, Hon'ble Dy. Chairman, Rajya Sabha; Hon'ble Home Minister; Hon'ble Defence Minister; Leader of the House & Leader of Opposition in Rajya Sabha and some Party leaders attended the programme and paid floral tributes to the Martyrs.

4. Apart from the above, the Secretaries-Generals of both the Secretariats and the Secretary, Rajya Sabha Secretariat, one family member of the Martyr *i.e.*, Sh. Avdesh Kumar (Husband of Martyr Smt. Kamlesh Kumari, Constable, CRPF); Director-General, CRPF and Commissioner of Police, Delhi registered their presence and paid floral tribute to the martyrs.

5. As approved by the Secretary-General, Rajya Sabha, a **Joint Obituary Reference** (on behalf of both Rajya Sabha Secretariat and Lok Sabha Secretariat) to honour our brave Martyrs were published on 13th December, 2020 in two (2) major leading Newspapers in Hindi and English languages in Dainik Jagran and Times of India. Necessary financial approval to publish the Obituary was also sought from the competent authority.

6. During the last floral tribute function in the year 2019, it was observed that the inclement weather conditions made it difficult to organize the function smoothly. Therefore, this year, as directed by the Secretary General, it was decided to make an alternative arrangement inside the precincts of the Parliament House Building *i.e.* opposite Room No. 32(Ground Floor), in order to avoid any embarrassing/unpleasant situation. The ATP Wing of the Parliament Security Service, Rajya Sabha Secretariat (PSS/RSS) had arranged for two spare sets of Photographs of Martyrs to meet any contingency. Out of those 2 spare sets, one was placed at the alternative venue inside the Building alongwith other necessary arrangements such as floral decoration and carpeting the area of alighting *i.e.*, from Building Gate No. 9 upto Martyrs' Photograph, opposite Room No. 32.

57.6.2 REPORTS

- **a.** The Monthly reports / Monthly pending work report of the Parliament Security Service were prepared on monthly basis and forwarded to the Secretary-General, Rajya Sabha for his kind perusal during the year 2020.
- **b.** The Annual Report, Performance Profile, Annual Action Plan-2021, Statistical data, Action Plan Review *etc* were forwarded to the concerned section for further necessary action at their end.
- **c.** In the year 2020, the Sectional Manual of Parliament Security Service was updated and after approval from the competent authority was forwarded to O&M Section.
- **d.** The Hindi Quarterly Progress Report of 2020 was sent to the Hindi Rajya Bhasha Prabagh on time

57.6.3 TRAINING AND PLANNING WING

In order to plan specific training programs for Parliament Security Service for the up-gradation of knowledge and professional skills of its personnel and to enhance organizational efficiency, a Training and Planning Wing [T & P Wing] was constituted.

The objective of this wing is to explore and come out with innovative ideas in the field of training, planning, knowledge up-gradation and welfare of the security personnel. The basic thrust is to enhance organizational efficiency by improving professional skills of the security personnel, developing the right attitude in an individual so that his/ her skills can be utilized in the best possible way.

The Training Wing of Parliament Security Service took initiative to liaison with different organizations *i.e.*, National Industrial Security Academy, Hyderabad; Bureau of Police Research and Development; Delhi, National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), NSG; *etc* and forwarded requests to provide training slots for officers /officials of Parliament Security Service, with a view to upgrade their skills and enhance their knowledge, which would be beneficial in helping them to perform their routine duties.

The Planning Wing of Parliament Security Service has been entrusted with the task of planning and projecting the future needs and requirements pertaining to the up gradation of security in Parliament House, in view of the prevailing security scenario, with an ultimate aim of countering the threats, dangers and coping with future workload through a strategy of planned preparedness.

57.6.4 TRAININGS:

A summary of the trainings undergone by security personnel during the year 2020 is as follows:

SI. No.	Name of the Training	Organized by	Participants	Duration/ Date	Cumulat ive	
1.	In-House Training for PSS/LSS & RSS for acquiring/polishing the soft skills at PRIDE, PLB	Parliament Security Service	55	21 st , 22 nd , 23 rd and 24 th July, 2020	55	
2.	Prevention from Heat stroke/Cardiac arrest & general health issues in Security duties	Parliament Security Service	10	20th October, 2020	65	
Session on 'Physical Conditioning Programme (PCP) for officers/ officials of Parliament Security Service' was conducted from 22 nd October to 4 th November 2020						
TOTAL TRAINING SLOTS AVAILED IN THE YEAR 2020						

[A] <u>In-House Training Programmes</u>

[B]	Training	Programmes	with othe	r Agencies

SI.	Name of the	Organized by	Participants	Duration /	Cumulative
No.	Training		Name	Date	

1.	Confidence Building & Rescue Techniques Learning course	Organized by ATP Wing at Climb Up, Camp Seirra, West Patel Nagar, New Delhi.	18	9 th and 10 th November, 2020	18
2.	Field Visit to Narora Atomic Power Station (NAPS) by PSS Officials	Organized by ATP Wing at Narora Atomic Power Station (NAPS) Bulendsheher, UP.	20	19 th December, 2020	38
3.	A letter has been forwarded] to DG CISF with a request to conduct Induction level training for 26 newly appointed officials of PSS. However in view of the Covid-19 pandemic it was requested to conduct the same in the year 2021.	NISA, CISF, Hyderabad			
	TOTAL TRAIN	ING SLOTS AVAILED	IN THE YEAR	2020	38

No. of Training slots availed in the various training programmes held during *the* year 2020:

In-House trainings	-	65
Training with other agencies		38
Total Training slots utilized	-	103

57.7 CENTRAL PASS ISSUE CELL (CPIC)

Centralised Pass Issue Cell [CPIC], Rajya Sabha Secretariat has been entrusted with the task of issuing of Radio Frequency [RF] Tags, Electronic Computerized Passes to Members of Parliament, Ex-MP's, Officers and Staff of Rajya Sabha Secretariat, Officials of Government of India, Media, Allied Agencies, and their vehicles. CPIC, Rajya Sabha Secretriat also issues Bar coded passes with hologram to the Drivers of Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha M.P.s/Ex.M.Ps. With the help of these RF IDs continuous monitoring of pedestrian and vehicular traffic is accomplished through various types of security gadgets installed at all the access points of PH Complex through Central Command Station (CCS).

In addition to the above, all kinds of bar coded paper passes are also issued by this Wing to PA/PS of Hon'ble MPs /RS and for different Galleries *i.e.* Public Gallery (PG), Distinguished Visitors Gallery (DVG), Press Gallery for Press/Media Personnel, Official Gallery (OG) for officers of various Ministries and Departments and for Central Hall.

MONTH	R F	Driver'	PA/PS	Publie	Press	Official	Cent	Casual
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Feb	26	80	30	918	118	336	21	32
Mar	23	59	32	258	129	1514	21	32
Apr	02	02	02	00	000	00	00	02
May	02	22	17	00	00	00	00	07
Jun	19	41	20	00	00	00	00	19
Jul	40	88	50	00	00	00	00	07
Aug	22	76	61	00	07	00	00	08
Sep	40	174	38	00	16	838	00	53
Oct	21	42	40	00	01	00	00	16
Nov	27	44	32	00	00	00	00	17
Dec	18	69	79	00	00	00	00	54
	282	759	448	1184	579	3900	48	316

The details of various kinds of RF Tags / Access passes issued by CPIC, Rajya Sabha Secretariat from Jan to December, 2020 are depicted in the tabular form.

57.8 **DEPLOYMENT WING**

This Wing deals with the routine security deployment in the Rajya Sabha Sectors, Parliament House Complex and deployment for special Functions/Events held within and outside PH Complex.

57.8.1 ALARM BELL REHEARSAL/Contingency Rehearsal

Contingency Drills (Alarm Bell Rehearsal) comprising of various drills and rescue procedure based on latest incidents, hypothetical situations and threat perception were carried out before the commencement of every Session of the Parliament, which was followed by a comprehensive analysis in de-briefing session by senior officers in GMC Balayogi, Auditorium, PLB.

- Contingency Drill prior to the commencement of 251th Session of Rajya Sabha was practiced in the Parliament House Complex on 30.01.2020.
- Contingency Drill prior to the commencement of 252nd Session of Rajya Sabha was practiced in the Parliament House Complex on 10.09.2020.
- Rehearsals in connection with, Functions in Central Hall, 13th December Martyrs Day New Parliament House Building inauguration programme and

other important events in the Parliament House Complex were also conducted in the year 2020.

57.8.2 DEPLOYMENT OF SECURITY STAFF INSIDE PARLIAMENT HOUSE COMPLEX

- Befitting arrangements were made in connection with Oath ceremony function of 45 Members of Parliament, which was held on 22nd July, 2020.
- 2. On 20th September 2020, during 252nd Session of Rajya Sabha, while the discussion on Farmers' Produce Trade and Commerce (Promotion and Facilitation) Act, 2020, was going on, some Hon'ble Members from opposition parties trooped into the well of the House and raised slogans against the bill and tried to obstruct the proceedings of the House. On the directions of Special Director (Security), additional Marshals were rushed into the chamber and unruly Members were marshalled out of the Rajya Sabha Chamber, after getting suitable directions from the chair/Secretary-General, Rajya Sabha.

57.8.2.1 FUNCTIONS HELD IN CENTRAL HALL, PARLIAMENT HOUSE: -

- a) Total thirty five floral tributes were paid at the portrait of national leaders placed at Central Hall on their birth anniversaries in the year 2020.
- b) Hon'ble President of India addressed Members of both the Houses (Rajya Sabha & Lok Sabha) on first day of Budget session 2020 in Central Hall on 31st January, 2020.

57.8.2.2 DELEGATIONS VISITED THE PARLIAMENT HOUSE:-

Delegations from different parts of the world visited the Parliament House in the year 2020 for which security personnel were deployed for escorting duty.

- 1 A five members Delegation from Parliament of Estonia led by H.E. Mr. Sven Sester Chairman of the Estonia- India Parliamentary Friendship Group, visited Parliament House Complex on 4th February, 2020
- 2 Delegation from Parliament of Germany led by H.E. Mr. Dirk Wiese, Member of Parliament and Head of the group from Germany-India Parliamentary Friendship Group, visited Parliament House Complex on 6th February, 2020.
- 3 A Parliamentary Delegation from Canada led by H.E. Mr. George J. Furey, Speaker of the Senate, Parliament of Canada visited Parliament House on 13th February, 2020.
- 4 A Parliamentary Delegation from Portugal led by H.E. Mrs. Lara Martinho, Deputy Speaker of Parliament of Portugal visited Parliament House on 14th February,2020.
- 5 An Eight members delegation of German Parliamentarians from the committee of Energy & Economic Affairs led by Mr. Klaus Ernst visited Parliament House on 17th February, 2020.
- 6 A Five members' delegation of Academicians from Kyung Hee University, Republic of Korea visited Indian Parliament on 21st February, 2020.
- 7 A Thirteen members' delegation of Finland Parliamentarians, committee on finance from the Parliament of Finland led by Mr. Johannes Koskinen, Chairman of the Finance Committee visited Parliament House on 24th February, 2020.

8 A Twelve members' delegation of Committee on constitution of the Swedish Parliament led by Mr. Karin Enstrom, Chairperson of the committee visited Parliament House on 24th February, 2020.

57.8.2.3 DEPLOYMENT OF PSS STAFF OUTSIDE PARLIAMENT HOUSE COMPLEX:-

- 1 Four(04) officials of Parliament Security Service were detailed in connection with Republic Day Ceremony, Beating Retreat 2020 and in connection with the rehearsal of the same.
- 2 Two(02) officials of Parliament Security Service were detailed in connection with Reception hosted by the Hon'ble President of India at Rashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi on occasion of Republic Day on 26th January, 2020.
- 3 Two (02) ASO were deployed at 6, Maulana Azad Road, New Delhi for the "Tea Party" hosted by Hon'ble Chairman, Rajya Sabha for Floor Leaders of various political parties on 31st January, 2020.
- 4 One (01) ASO was detailed in connection with dinner hosted by Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha for Canadian Delegation at ITC Maurya Hotel, New Delhi on 13th February, 2020.
- 5 On 22.07.2020, three (03) officials of Parliament Security Service were deployed at the residence of Hon"ble Prime Minister of India in connection with tea hosted for newly elected Members of Rajya Sabha
- 6 On 10.08.2020, five (05) officers / officials of Parliament Security Service were detailed for Foundation Stone Ceremony of Rajya Sabha Housing Complex at R.K. Puram, New Delhi laid (online mode) by the Hon'ble Chairman, Rajya Sabha
- 7 On 15.08.2020, three (03) officials of Parliament Security Service were deployed for Independence Day Flag Hoisting Ceremony at Red Fort
- 8 On 23.11.2020, two (02) officials of Parliament Security Service were deployed for inauguration ceremony of newly constructed residential complex of Members of Parliament at B.D Marg, New Delhi.
- 9 Five (05) officials of Parliament Security Service were detailed for All India Presiding Officers Conference held at Kewadia, Gujarat w.e.f. 24 to 27 November, 2020.

57.8.3 BRIEFING OF QUICK REACTION TEAM (Q.R.T.) OF PARLIAMENT DUTY GROUP(PDG)

Routine briefing of the QRT (Quick Reaction Team) comprising of security personnel from PDG, was carried out by the concerned Deputy Director (Security) / Security Officer. The team was familiarized with the topography of Parliament House and was also briefed about the action to be taken during the course of any contingency situation.

57.8.4 BRIEFING OF STAFF:

All the security personnel deployed at various access points were briefed by the concerned Supervisory Officers on the prevailing security threats, during Session / Intersession period. The queries as raised by the staff regarding security system were suitably replied with.

57.9 GALLERIES WING

The Galleries Wing of Parliament Security Service looks after the security operations, access control, regulation of visitors and media personnel for the Rajya Sabha Chamber

and other adjoining areas. The areas of First Floor (between Room No.-63 to 73), including committee rooms 63 & 67, Second Floor (between Room No.-92 to 98 & 103 and 104), Third Floor (between Room No.-110 to 124), Rooftop of Central Hall, Rajya Sabha Chamber, Jhanda Floor, Parda Gallery and False Ceiling also comes under the jurisdiction of Galleries Wing.

57.9.1 VISITORS WITNESSED THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE RAJYA SABHA:

Total 1814 visitors witnessed the proceedings of the Rajya Sabha from Public Gallery and 52 visitors witnessed the proceedings of the Rajya Sabha from Distinguished Visitors Gallery during the year 2020.

S No	Months	Public	Gallery	DVG	
S.No	Months	2019	2020	2019	2020
1	January	2	8	-	01
2	February	806	1399	14	37
3	March	-	372	-	14
4	April	-	-	-	-
5	May	-	-	-	-
6	June	854	-	25	
7	July	3441	35	93	-
8	August	561	-	67	-
9	September	-	-	-	-
10	October	-	-	-	-
11	November	1091	-	67	-
12	December	2742	-	29	-
	Total	9497	1814	295	52

Comparison Chart 2019 and 2020

57.9.2 ATTENDANCE OF MEDIA PERSONNEL AND OFFICIALS OF MINISTRIES

A total of 2520 attendances of media personnel were registered to attend the proceedings of Rajya Sabha in the Press Gallery during the year 2020

Comparison Chart 2019 and 2020

S. No.	Months	Media Attendance 2019	Media Attendance 2020
1	January	40	45
2	February	602	936
3	March	-	1385
4	April	-	-
5	May	-	-
6	June	842	-
7	July	3013	12
8	August	618	-
9	September	-	142
10	October	-	-
11	November	229	-

12	December	1561	-	
	Total	6905	2520	

A total of 1988 attendances of officers and staff of various Ministries/Departments who visited the Official Gallery in connection with official work during the year, 2020 were registered.

Comparison Chart 2019 and 2020

S. No.	Months	Official Gallery Visitors, 2019	Official. Gallery Visitors, 2020
1	January	410	21
2	February	289	417
3	March	-	712
4	April	-	-
5	May	-	-
6	June	455	-
7	July	1723	-
8	August	286	-
9	September	-	838
10	October	-	-
11	November	638	-
12	December	910	-
	Total	4711	1988

57.9.3 Department Related Parliamentary Standing Committees/Press Conference/Cabinet Committee Meetings etc.

A total number of 40 Department Related Parliamentary Standing Committees/Press Conference/Cabinet Committee Meetings *etc.* were held in Committee Room No. 63/67, PH.

57.10 MARSHAL WING

The responsibility of the Marshal is to assist and protect the Chair. The Marshal looks after the protocol and ushering duties in respect of meetings, functions and business of the House, presided over by the Hon'ble Chairman / Deputy Chairman, Rajya Sabha.

57.11 OPERATIONS WING -I (Ops-I)

The Ops-I Wing of the Parliament Security Service looks after the security operations of Reception Office, Iron Gate-I, Building Gates-11 and 12, Parliament House and other adjacent area around it.

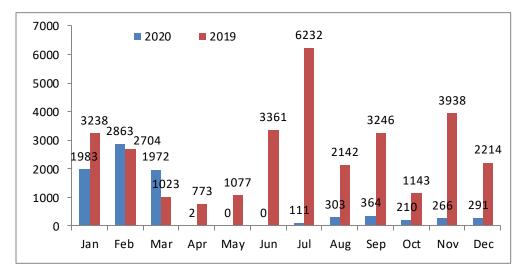
57.11.1 RECEPTION OFFICE - PARLIAMENT HOUSE :

The Reception Office, PH facilitates the visitors who come to the Parliament House to visit the Members of Parliament, Ministers, officers of Rajya Sabha Secretariat and Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs. This office also assists the officials who come to Parliament House to discharge their official work. Further to this, Reception office also conducts show-around of the Parliament House. In the year 2020, Reception Office, PH issued Entry Permits for **8365** visitors in favor of the family members / guests of Hon'ble Members of Parliament, guests of officials of Rajya Sabha Secretariat and for others government officials who reported for duties inside Parliament House Complex during the session and inter-session period. Further, show around for a total No. of **1916** visitors was also conducted during the year 2020.

The month-wise break-up of passes issued from Reception Offices-PH are given below.

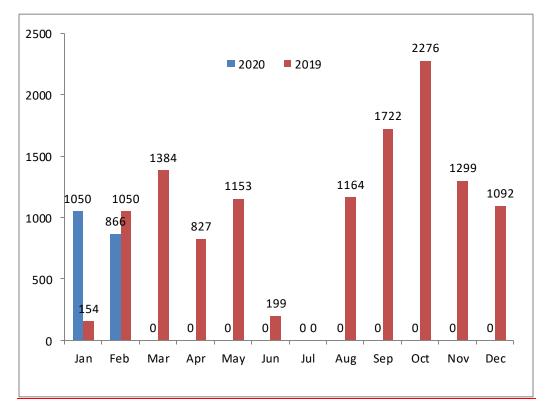
Month		Reception Office, PH					
	*CCEP Issued	Cum. Total	Accompanied Persons	Total	Cumulative Total		
January, 2020	1362		621	1983			
February, 2020	1893	3255	970	2863	4846		
March,2020	1272	4527	700	1972	6818		
April, 2020	2	4529		2	6820		
May, 2020		4529			6820		
June, 2020		4529			6820		
July, 2020	105	4634	06	111	6931		
August, 2020	274	4908	29	303	7234		
September, 2020	316	5224	48	364	7598		
October, 2020	185	5409	25	210	7808		
November, 2020	205	5614	61	266	8074		
December, 2020	272	5886	19	291	8365		

Trend of Passes issued Year 2020 and 2019



Show around Data						
Month	CCEP Issued	Cum. Total	Accom. Person	Total	Cumulative Total	
Jan., 2020	142		908	1050		
Feb., 2020	93	235	773	866	1916	
Mar, 2020		235			1916	
April, 2020		235			1916	
May, 2020		235			1916	
June, 2020		235			1916	
July, 2020		235			1916	
Aug., 2020		235			1916	
Sept. 2020		235			1916	
Oct., 2020		235			1916	
Nov., 2020		235			1916	
Dec., 2020		235			1916	

* <u>Abbreviations</u>: - CCEP : Computerized Casual Entry Pass.



Trend of Show Around year 2019 and 2020

57.12 OPERATIONS-II WING (Ops-II)

Operations-II wing is entrusted with the following responsibilities:-

a] Looks after the security of operations of BG 9 & 10, Iron Gate-5, 6, 7 and 7-A, PH to facilitate to and fro movements of VVIPs through the area; b] Regulation of incoming/outgoing stores in PH during the inter-session period from Building Gate-9, PH.

57.12.1 VIP ROUTE

The smooth passage for all the vehicles of VVIP cavalcade permitted through VIP Route was ensured throughout the year. Two trucks carrying General Budget Papers were given entry through VIP Route after meticulous Anti Sabotage Checks. The contingency drill in order to check the security gadgets was carried out on a daily basis during session period, whereas the same was also conducted during inter-session period on the requirement basis prior to the movement of VVIPs. Further, facilitation of Diplomats from various countries and management of their vehicles was also carried out for the President's address during the Budget Session of Parliament during the year 2020.

57.12.2 STORES RECORD:-

The data pertaining to incoming and outgoing materials in PH during inter-session and session period is as follows:-

Outgoing entries: - 903 Incoming entries: - 466

57.13 INNER PRECINCTS PHA(IP-PHA)/ PHA EXTENSION BUILDING

The IP Wing-PHA/EPHA is entrusted with responsibilities of maintaining access control in the PHA/EPHA with regard to regulation of men and material, the supervision of security staff deployed in the area and thorough anti-sabotage / anti-explosive checks of all vital areas.

57.13.1 COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD IN PHA / EPHA:

During the year 2020, a total number of 82 Committee Meetings were held in Parliament House Annexe/Extension.

57.13 OUTER PRECINCTS PHA WING (OP-PHA)

OP Wing- PHA is entrusted with the responsibilities of providing security cover to the area under Parliament House Annexe particularly the outer area i.e. Reception Office/PHA and TKR-I Gate. This Wing deals with the following tasks:

- a) Supervision of security staff deployed in the Outer precincts of PHA.
- b) Access control and regulation of Men, Materials and Vehicles.
- c) Issue of Passes from Reception Office, PHA/TKR-I.

57.13.1 RECEPTION OFFICE PHA

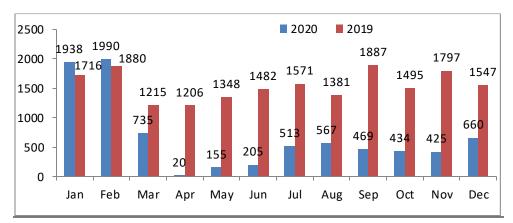
During the year 2020, Reception Office, PHA issued Entry Permits for **7899** visitors in favor of the family members/guests of Members of Parliament, guests of officials of Rajya Sabha Secretariat and passes for outside officials who reported for duty inside Parliament House Annexe during the session as well as inter-session periods. **212** Manual Casual Entry Passes for the guests of MP's were also issued for medical centre, PHA by supervisory officer of Talkatora Gate No.-1, PHA.

Month		Permits	Total			
	©CCEPCum. TotalAccompanie dTotalIssuedPersons		from TKR-I			
Jan, 2020	1641		258	1899	39	1938
Feb, 2020	1560	3201	328	1888	102	1990

Mar, 2020	561	3762	130	691	44	735
Apr., 2020	19	3781	1	20	-	20
May, 2020	142	3923	11	153	2	155
June, 2020	184	4107	16	200	5	205
July, 2020	450	4557	55	505	8	513
Aug., 2020	506	5063	53	559	8	567
Sept.,20 20	375	5438	94	469	-	469
Oct., 2020	397	5835	37	434	-	434
Nov., 2020	351	6186	70	421	4	425
Dec.,20 20	1641	7827	258	660	-	660
	7827			7899	212	8111

@CCEP : Computerized Casual Entry Pass.

<u>COMPARISON CHART</u> <u>Trend of Entry Permits issued from Parliament House Annexe – 2020 and 2019</u>



57.14. FIRE AND TECHNICAL WING (F&T)

This wing has been entrusted with the task of looking after the fire prevention measures in the Rajya Sabha Sectors in PH Complex, verification of character/ antecedents of Visitors, Journalists and Casual Labourers. This wing also deals with the cases of loss of Passes, Identity Cards, Parking Labels and organize demonstration of fire fighting equipments in the Parliament House.

57.14.1 FIRE PREVENTIVE MEASURES:

The Fire and Technical Wing conducted monthly routine checking of fire fighting appliances viz. Fire-Hydrants, Fire Extinguishers, Hooters, Sirens, and sensors etc. installed in PH/PHA, RS Sector. An elaborate checking of all the appliances installed in PH

is conducted usually on first Saturday of every month in co-ordination with the staff of Parliament Security Service Lok Sabha, Delhi Fire Service, CPWD and Fire Unit/PH.

Sl. No	Month	Dates of Monthly Checking in PH/PHA
1	January	04.1.2020
2	February	15.02.2020
3	March	07.03.2020
4	April	.Due to lockdown, checking couldn't be conducted in the month of April 2020.
5	May	23.05.2020
6	June	13.06.2020
7	July	18.07.2020
8	August	22.08.2020
9	September	05.09.2020
10	October	03.10.2020
11	November	07.11.2020
12	December	05.12.2020

57.14.2 DATES OF MONTHLY CHECKING

57.14.3 FIRE INCIDENT

On 29.07.2019, a fire incident occurred, during the ongoing session, wherein, a delegate Unit of Seat No 10 in the Rajya Sabha Chamber got burnt and smoke started coming out and the house had to be adjourned for a while. A fterwards, Secretary General, Rajya Sabha has desired that the response time in such type of incidents should be instant and Fire officials should respond quickly to control the smoke, in case of fire in Rajya Sabha Chamber .In pursuance of the directions of the senior officers, during the chamber rehearsal, a mock Drill on Fire was conducted in Rajya Sabha Chamber on 29/01/2020.

Thereafter, no fire incidents were reported in the area coming under the jurisdiction of the Rajya Sabha Secretariat, in the year 2020.

57.14.4 ANNUAL FIRE-FIGHTING DRILL

The F&T Wing in collaboration with Delhi Fire Service organized a training programme on fire fighting/safety equipments on 21.12.2020 in Parliament House. During the training programme, lecture on fire including types of fire/fire extinguishers, preventive measures and how to act in case of fire incident was delivered by Delhi Fire Service Officers. Also a practical demonstration of Bronto skylift, fire extinguishers and fire hydrants etc. was also done by Delhi Fire Service Officials. A total number of 83 Security Officials (Parliament Security Service, LS&RS, PDG, Delhi Police, Sanitation Wing, RS and CPWD) attended the said workshop.

57.14.5 VERIFICATION OF CHARACTER/ANTECEDENTS

Verifications of character/antecedents of casual Staff, PA/PS attached with Hon'ble MP's, Journalists were carried out through the concerned Police Authority. Instant Verifications of visitors of Public Gallery/ DVG/ Press Gallery were also got conducted from DCP, Special Branch through Fax Machine during Session period. Same procedure of verification was adopted in respect of the Casual Labourers engaged for some tenting/ repair works etc. in PH/ PHA. Apart from the above, **same day** verifications in respect of visitors visiting Public Gallery / Distinguish Visitors Gallery , Casual visitors/Labourers/drivers/Allied agencies etc. were conducted through Special Branch, Delhi Police.

The details of the	Verifications	sent to/	received	fro m	Special	Branch,	Delhi
Police and other states during	g the year-2020) are as u	inder:				

SI.					
No	Details	PA/PS	Casual Staff	Journalist	Total
1.	Verification sent	71	182	24	277
2.	Verification received	*58	*139	*14	211
3.	Reminders sent		23		23

*including Verification Reports of year-2019 received in the year 2020

(a) During the Session of Rajya Sabha held in the year 2020, the same day verifications in respect of the PG/DVG were got conducted through Special Branch, Delhi Police. The relevant figures are mentioned below:-

Session	Public Gallery Visitors / DVG Visitors
251 st (Part - I)	522
251 st (Part - II)	199
252 nd	NIL

(b) Apart from above mentioned same day verifications (as mentioned at 'a') a total number of **743 same day** verifications in respect of Casual visitors/Labourers/drivers/Allied agencies workers etc were conducted through Special Branch, Delhi Police

57.14.6 LOSS OF PASS/IDENTITY CARDS/PARKING LABELS/RF-TAGS:

On receipt of information regarding loss of Passes/Identity Cards/Parking Labels /RF-Tags from Hon'ble MP's /Ex-MP's/Officers/Staff of secretariat and other agencies, the required particulars of the lost item along with the copy of FIR/NCR were forwarded to Security Control Room of Parliament Security Service for making an announcement for information of all concerned so that misuse of the same could be prevented. Comprehensive list of the above losses were sent to the concerned officers for their information and necessary action.

The details of I-Cards/Passes/Parking Labels/RF Tags reported lost during the year-2020 are as follows :-

SI. No.	Details		Category				
		M.P.	Ex M.P.	Staff	Others		
1.	I/Cards	3	2	22	6	33	
2.	RF Tags (Individual)	2	3	3	1	09	
3.	Parking Labels	5		12		17	
4.	RF Tags (Vehicle)	2			1	03	
5.	Entry Passes				27	27	
		TOTA	L			89	

57.14.7 CORRESPONDENCE/LIAISON:

The required correspondences and liaisons were carried out with different offices of the Secretariat and CPWD authorities/other agencies for proper maintenance of fire-fighting equipments and speedy rectification of short-comings.

57.14.8 DOG CAPTURING DRILL

Due to Security reasons and to avoid any kind of inconvenience to MPs/Ex MPs/Staff and Visitors, this wing had made the efforts to make the Parliament House Complex free from stray dogs. This wing in collaboration with NDMC (Veterinary Department) had conducted the dog capturing drill on the dates mentioned below:-

Sl. No	Month	Date
1.	January	12.01.2020
2.	February	Not conducted due to non presence of stray dogs in PH Complex.
3.	March	02.03.2020
4.	April	
5.	May	
6.	June	
7.	July	Not conducted due to non-presence of stroy does
8.	August	Not conducted due to non presence of stray dogs
9.	September	in PH Complex.
10.	October	
11.	November	
12.	December	

57.15 SANITATION WING

The Sanitation Wing is entrusted with the responsibility of providing clean and hygienic area under the jurisdiction of the Rajya Sabha Secretariat. The purpose of the Sanitation Wing of the Rajya Sabha Secretariat is to maintain a high standard of hygiene and cleanliness by managing timely collection/disposal of waste generated in routine course and to accomplish this goal in a manner that generates high levels of satisfaction. In this context, Sanitation wing was assigned the duties on regular basis in two shifts in Parliament House/PHA/PLB/ Office of the Rajya Sabha at North Avenue, New Delhi

FUNCTIONAL DUTIES PERFORMED BY THE SANITATION WING

- 1. Cleaning, Washing and Dusting of all Rajya Sabha precincts in PH/ PHA/ PLB/ North Avenue (RSS Sector Complex).
- 2. Cleaning of toilets & Corridors of RSS in PH/PHA/North Avenue Flats (RS Sector Complex).
- 3. Spraying of Finite to counter the mosquito menace.
- 4. Spraying of room freshener.
- 5. Opening & Closing of rooms under the Rajya Sabha Secretariat (Round the clock).
- 6. Opening and closing of Committee room 'A' for meetings as and when required.
- 7. To conduct enquiry regarding theft cases and missing of articles.
- 8. Two Farash were detailed round the clock in shifts in PH/ PHA along with keys of various Building Gates/ Rooms which comes under the jurisdiction of Rajya Sabha Secretariat.

- 9. A joint inspection of Grease Chamber at BG 9 and Chairman's Chamber (Room No. 30/PH) was carried out before the commencement of every session, in collaboration with NDMC (Health Dept.) and other allied agencies of Parliament.
- 10. Before the commencement of every session, Fogging was done in collaboration with NDMC (Health Dept.) to prevent the mosquito breeding in PH Complex, or as and when required.

With effect from *16.03.2020* onwards, the Cleaning/Sanitzation work was carried out by BVG under the supervision of Sanitation Wing, Parliament Security Service, Rajya Sabha Secretariat. To prevent the spread of covid virus, a comprehensive drive to sanitize entire RS Sector in the PHC was done 21st & 23rd March, 2020 and on 27th & 28th Sep, 2020

Sanitation Wing did Supervision of Sanitary work done by Bharat Vikas Group(BVG) on daily basis and Sanitization work to contain spread of Covid-19 Virus was regularly done on Monday and Thursday of every week in the area coming under the jurisdiction of the Rajya Sabha Secretariat. Further, sanitization work in the rooms were also conducted where a Corona Positive employee was detected.

57.15.1 DETAILS OF ITEMS FOUND BY SECURITY / SANITATION STAFF WHICH WAS HANDED OVER TO THE OWNERS:

SL No.	Date	Depositor Name	Item	Place of found	Owner
1.	30.01.2020	Sh. Rajinder Singh	Executive Bag	Room No. 225, PHA	Sh. Vikas Banga, Translator
2.	04.02.2020	Sh. Brij Bhushan	Samsung Mobile	Ist Floor, PHA	Sh. Avinash Rai, Attd. LS
3.	11.02.2020	Sh. Ved Prakash	Keys	Room No. 538, PHA	Sh. S. Ahmed, Senior Reprographer
4.	08.07.2020	Sh. Birender Prasad	Keys	Room No. 96, PH	Sh. Rana Dhirendra, <u>Addl</u> Dir
5.	07.08.2020	Sh. Jeewan Chandra	Mobile	Room No. 533, PHA	Sh. A. Chakrwani, DS
6.	19.08.2020	Sh. Om Prakash	Umbrella	Printing Section, PHA	Sh. Praveen Kumar, APO
7.	07.12.2020	Sh. Surinder Singh	Mobile	B-8, PHA	Sh. V.K. Pathak, Addl Dir

57.15.2 BRIEFINGS DURING THE YEAR:

- **a.** Sanitation staff was regularly briefed about the sanitary work for good hygiene and maintaining high standards.
- **b.** Sanitation staff was regularly briefed to ensure that the staff must wear the uniform and maintain proper decorum while on duty.

- **c.** Sanitation staff was regularly briefed to ensure that all rooms were closed properly in the evening and in case, if any item belonging to officers/staff is found, it must be deposited in the office immediately.
- d. Sanitary Staff was also advised not to indulge in any unsocial activities.

57.16 SUPERVISION OF SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS IN PLB AND PTI BUILDING

During the year, security arrangements made for the floors of Rajya Sabha Secretariat in PTI Building were supervised. During the daily inspection of PTI Building, as and when the short comings were noticed the same were intimated to GA Section and ensured the timely rectification of the same for the smooth functioning of the various Sections of Rajya Sabha Secretariat working from PTI Building. The daily necessary briefing of private security staff deployed at PTI was done on daily basis.

On monthly basis, Inspection of the Rajya Sabha Floors in PTI Building was carried out by the officers [Addl Dir.(S)/PTI/PLB, and SO/PTI] and ensured the necessary arrangements for the safety of man and material in Rajya Sabha Floors in liaison with the concerned officers/sections. The electrical work carried out by CPWD(E)/PHA in Rajya Sabha Floor in PTI Building was also monitored with a view to prevent fire hazard during the year.

PARLIAMENT LIBRARY BUILDING

During the year, security arrangements were made at Iron Gate-1 PLB & BPST Gate which was supervised under the directions of Addl Dir.(S)/PTI/PLB and DD/PLB.

A total number of 35 functions / special events/Cabinet/ Committee meetings/ Parliamentary Party meetings were held in PLB during the year 2020.

57.17 WORK DONE IN HINDI

In order to promote working in Hindi language in Parliament Security Service, in the year 2020, all the Wings of PSS were directed to initiate maximum files/notes in Hindi. Besides, they were also directed to forward daily reports bilingually (*i.e. English & Hindi*)

1	Circulars/ Orders/OM issued	93
2	Letters/ applications received	157
3	Files received/ moved	1
4	Reply given	17
5	Note(s) initiated	3
6	Others	1715

Details of Hindi Work.

57.18 SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS DURING COVID-19 PANDEMIC

In the wake of Covid-19 Pandemic and as per the guidelines issued by MHA, in order to maintain physical distancing norms *etc.*, some befitting arrangements were made in the year 2020. The Special Director (Security), issued circulars regarding "Health Advisory in view of Novel Corona virus (COVID-19) outbreak" on 6^{th} March 2020 (English) & 12^{th} March, 2020 (Hindi). On 17^{th} April, 2020, another circular *w.r.t.*, Security arrangements to facilitate officers and staff of RSS, LSS, MoPA and Allied agencies to gain access in Parliament house Complex from 20.04.2020 to 03.05.2020 was published on Rajya Sabha Intranet. During the lock down period, Special Duty roster in accordance to the Direction of MHA regarding Social Distancing/strength/ Guidelines was prepared and circulated.

Special arrangements:

- 1. In order to contain the spread of Covid 19 in RS Sector, Parliament Security Service ensured to carry out Sanitization of entire Rooms/Area/Corridors/Toilets etc on every Monday and Thursday.
- 2. The chemical namely Sodium Hydrochloride was used in the Sanitization process to prevent the spread of Covid 19 in Rajya Sabha Sector.
- 3. Hand Sanitizers were provided for use of Parliament Security Service Officials of Rajya Sabha Secretariat at various access/duty points of Rajya Sabha Secretariat.
- 4. In case any official of Rajya Sabha Secretariat was found Covid Positive, Parliament Security Service ensured that the room is sealed and further to carry out thorough Sanitization of the concerned areas/Rooms/Sector visited by infected official.
- 5. During the Session, UV Light Sanitizers, received from in DRDO were placed outside Galleries and Lobbies of Rajya Sabha Chamber and Car Tyre Sanitizers at the Iron Gates and Foot Mat Sanitizers at the Building Gates of Parliament House Complex.
- 6. Sanitization of Rajya Sabha Chamber, Adjoining areas was done thrice a day throughout the session period.
- 7. In order to check the temperature of incoming individuals thermal scanners were used at entry points of Parliament House Complex.
- 8. All officials of Parliament Security Service had undergone RT-PCR test 72 hours prior to beginning of the Parliament Session.
- 9. Hon'ble Members were requested to get their COVID tests done in their States or any other place in the country at any authorized lab/test centre within 72 hours prior to attending the Session. All Covid reports of Hon'ble Members, which were received by Special Director(S), were forwarded to the entry gates of Parliament House to avoid inconvenience to the Members while coming to attend the session.
- 10. Due to prevailing COVID-19 situation, and to maintain social distancing norms, seating arrangement of the Members of Rajya Sabha were made in a staggered manner in the Rajya Sabha Chamber, Galleries of the Rajya Sabha (except Press Gallery) and the Lok Sabha Chamber. Accordingly, no visitors were allowed to witness the proceedings of the House during the Session of the Rajya Sabha. Central Hall was also kept reserved, exclusively for the use of sitting Members of Rajya Sabha / Lok Sabha, while the respective House is in Session. Therefore, no Public and Distinguished Visitors' Gallery Passes and Central Hall Passes were issued to the guests of Members.
- 11. It was also decided not to allow PSs/PAs of Hon'ble Members inside the Parliament House during the Session to avoid overcrowding and to obviate the risk of spread of COVID -19 infection.
- 12. In view of the prevailing COVID-19 situation, and in adherence to social distancing norms, Members were requested not to bring any visitors /guests to the Parliament House.

57.19 WEEDING OUT

In the wake of Covid-19 Pandemic, the weeding out of the old records was not conducted in the year 2020, however, all the Wings of Parliament Security Service would be requested to prepare list of files, up to the year 2018, which are to be weeded out, as per the guidelines.

57.20 BUDGET

• The Parliament Security Service does not have any dedicated Head for budget, however, for Publication of Obituary Reference, Trainings/Field Visit, the Training Unit / Estt. A/c & Budget Section of the Rajya Sabha Secretariat, allocate the funds to do the needful.

57.20 ANNUAL OFFICE INSPECTIONS:

• As per the decision of competent authority (O M No. RS.1/1/2020-O&M dated 30th December, 2020), to undertake the office inspection once in two years (i.e. biennially), accordingly the inspection process for the years 2019 and 2020 is due in the year 2021.

57.21 NEW INITIATIVES:

• Consequent to the approval of competent authority, Special Director(Security) has issued a Circular No. RS/PSS/Spl. Dir(S)/2020-198 dated 25th August 2020, regarding "Unified Operational Command of Parliament Security Service units of Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha Secretariats" which came into effect from 7th August, 2020.