Parliament launches Digital Sansad App to make live proceedings accessible to citizens

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The Lok Sabha secretariat has launched a new app, Digital Sansad, that will make it easier for people to follow proceedings in Parliament, and also their own lawmakers.

In addition, it will also help members of parliament access services such as checking personal updates like status of their notices, House bulletins, etc.

Key Highlights

- As MPs are barred from using laptops inside the House, the app comes handy for parliamentary information for MPs during a debate in the House.
- In future, the MPs can log in for attendance, give questions for the Question Hour or submit notices for debates or adjournment motions.
- The Digital Sansad app is available in both android and IOS platform and carries nearly all major content of the interlinked portal of Indian Parliament. A senior official claimed that the Digital Sansad is one of the few apps of a parliament internationally that offer a 360-degree view of legislative activities as well as services for members.
- It is a brainchild of Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla who has sought to make parliamentary proceedings more accessible to people.
- In addition to proceedings in the current House, people will also be able to access archival data related to all Lok Sabhas . They will be able to access speeches, debates, etc.

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