

BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

[English]

Thirty-Seventh Report

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY
AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI SHEILA DIKSHIT):
I beg to move:

"That this House do agree with
the Thirty-seventh Report of the
Business Advisory Committee
presented to the House on the
30th April, 1987."

MR. SPEAKER: The question is:

"That this House do agree with
the Thirty-seventh Report of the
Business Advisory Committee
presented to the House on the
30th April, 1987."

The motion was adopted.

MR. SPEAKER: The House shall now
take up matters under Rule 377.

12.10 hrs.

MATTERS UNDER RULE 377

[Translation]

- (i) **Demand for setting up 'Bithoor Development Authority' for overall development of Bithoor town, district Kanpur, U.P.**

SHRI JAGDISH AWASTHI (Bilaur):
Mr. Speaker, Sir, Bithoor (Brahmwart) in
Kanpur district of Uttar Pradesh is situated
on the bank of Ganga river and has great
religious and historical importance. It is
believed that Lord Brahma had created the
world while sitting at this place and his seat
is also located at this place. People from
different parts of the country come here for
worship. It is also believed to be the Cen-
tral point of the earth. The ashram of great
sage Valmiki is also located at this place

where he practised 'Tapassaya' and wrote
the great epic Ramayana. It was at this
ashram where Sita, the wife of Lord Rama
lived in exile and gave birth to Lav and
Kush. Lav and Kush fought a battle against
Rama at this place which is now known as
parihar area. Dhruva had also practised
'Tapassaya' here and the place is now
Known as Dhurva-Tila.

It has also been the centre of activities of
Nanarao Peshwa, Tantiyatope and Mena-
wati. Maharani Laxmibai also spent her
childhood at this place. The strategy of the
first war of independence of 1857 was also
planned here. The revolution throughout
the country also ushered from this place.
On full moon day in Kartika month every
year a big fair is organised at this place. But
it is in a very dilapidated condition due to
poor maintenance. It is most regrettable.

Therefore, I request the Central Govern-
ment that for all-round development of
Brahmwart Bithoor, renovation of dilapi-
dated Ghats at the banks of Ganga river
and proper maintenance of historical and
other religious places, a Bithoor Develop-
ment Authority should be set up with the
cooperation of the Government of Uttar
Pradesh and this place should be declared
as a tourism Centre.

[English]

- (ii) **Need to initiate talks with the Government of Nepal for construction of a multi purpose high dam on the river Kosi in Barahakshetra**

DR. G.S. RAJHANS (Jhanjharpur):
From time immemorial, the river Kosi
which originates in Nepal and flows into a
major portion of North Bihar, has
remained a symbol of pain, anxiety and dev-
astation in both the friendly countries.
Unfortunately, it is not yet realised that
with determined human efforts, this river of
sorrow can be converted into a source of
unimaginable prosperity. All that is needed is
the construction of a multipurpose hi