

[Sh. Pala K.M. Methew]

ers affected by plant discases and research into discases are some of the steps which the Government should take immediately.

(iv) Need to provide more facilities at Kanpur Airport, Uttar Pradesh.

[Translation]

SHRI JAGAT VIR SINGH DRONA (Kanpur): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, Kanpur is the major industrial town of the Northern India, which has a population of around 40 lakhs. Large number of industrialists, businessmen and foreign tourists from far and wide come here but there is no regular air facility for this area. The Industrial development of this area has suffered a set back as a result thereof.

Therefore, I urge upon the Central Government that keeping in view the all round development of Kanpur and its citizens an air strip should be developed with all modern facilities. Arrangements should be made for night landing of the aircraft and major cities of Bombay, Calcutta, Madras and Delhi should be airlinked with Kanpur.

[English]

(v) Need to implement the recommendations of Fourth Central Pay Commission regarding pensionary benefits to the Employees of Port Trusts and Dock Labour Boards.

DR. K.D. JESWANI (Kheda): Sir, there is a long-standing problem of liberalisation of pension and pensionary benefits to the employees of the major Trusts and Dock Labour Boards. This includes the existing pensioners with effect from 1.1.86, on the lines of the Central Government's decision on the Fourth Central Pay Commission's recommendations.

About 40,000 such retired pensioners are devoid of their rights due to the non-implementation of the provisions of the recommendations of Fourth Central Pay

Commission. Due to the delay in sanctioning additional relief to the pensioners, the Port Trusts are unable to finalise the revision of pension cases of their pensioners. There are a number of cases relating to family pension.

I urge upon the Government to finalise this matter at the earliest.

(vi) Need to Set Up a High Power Transmitter in Saharasa District and also to Open a Relay Kendra in Supaul District, Bihar.

[Translation]

SHRI SURYA NARAYAN YADAV (SAHARASA): The transmission from the Doordarshan relay kendra in my constituency, Saharasa is not clear. In another district of Saharasa viz., supaul, in my constituency, the programmes are not relayed at all. My constituency is adjacent to the border of Nepal, so the people are completed to see the programmes relayed from that country. I had raised this issue in the Parliament several times but no action has yet been taken.

Therefore, I urge upon the Central Government that a high power transmitter should be set up in Saharasa district and a new Doordarshan relay Kendra should be opened in Saupaul district so that the people of both the districts are benefited by the programmes of Doordarshan and they may not have to see the programmes of any other country. Therefore, immediate action should be taken in this regard.

(viii) Need to ensure early release of some Fishermen held hostage by high sea pirates in Sunderbans, West Bengal.

[English]

SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL (Joynagar): Sunderbans is one of the most backward and poverty-ridden areas, though rich in flora and fauna and renowned for its tiger project. For the inhabitants of