

production. Alwar area is the granary of Rajasthan State.

The basic requirements of the industrial sector are transport facility and linkage with marketing centres. Alwar is not linked with the broad-gauge railway line. Alwar town is not connected directly even with the Delhi-Ahmedabad National Highway No. 8.

With a view to providing transport facilities to Mataya Industrial Area, Alwar, Khairthal Industrial Area and other parts of the district of Alwar, there is a genuine need to link Alwar Town with Ahmedabad-Delhi National Highway No. 8. I therefore, urge upon the Minister of Works and Housing, Government of India to approve and sanction the construction of a road from the point near village Roondh, district Mahendragarh, Haryana up to Alwar city with its alignment to the parallel of the railway track. The amount for constructing the above road should be provided from the funds of the National Capital Region plan.

(iii) NEED FOR DIRECTION FROM CENTRE TO STATES NEIGHBOURING KARNATAKA TO SUPPLY ELECTRICITY TO THE STATE

SHRI B V DESAI (Raichur) : Mr. Speaker, Sir, I would like to draw the attention of the House through you to the dangerous situation that has been prevailing in the State of Karnataka for the last 3-4 months in regard to the power position.

Sir, as against the demand of 28 million units a day, the generation was only 20 million units. With this situation, the Karnataka Electricity Board had nothing but to introduce a power cut throughout the State, so much so the HT consumers, who were already under the power cut ranging from 10 to 33-1/3 percent, had to face this further cut. Not only this, the rural areas in the State at present face a six hour power cut daily, in while in the semi-urban areas it is three hours twice a week. In Bangalore city there is no power for four hours in a week and, according to official sources, the State's critical power position is likely to continue for two more years, by which time the Raichur Thermal Station and the Kali Hydel power project would be completed.

Sir, never had the situation arisen in the State so far and the State had been always depending on power from Kerala. But, from November last year, the Kerala State had stopped supplying power, following their own deficit. Failing to get any response from the neighbouring States like Maharashtra, Andhra and Kerala, the Karnataka Government had no option but to increase the power cut.

Sir, if this power shortage is allowed to continue further in the State, the State will be in a very bad shape industrially also. Hence, I appeal to the Minister through you that he may immediately intervene and direct the State Governments to help the States and release power to the State at an early date for which I shall be thankful.

(iv) INDUSTRIALISATION OF SAIDPUR (U.P.) TO SOLVE UNEMPLOYMENT PROBLEM OF THAT AREA

श्री राजनाथ सोनकर शास्त्री (सैदपुर) : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, मैं माननीय उद्योग मंत्री का ध्यान अपने संसदीय क्षेत्र सैदपुर की दयनीय दशा को ओर दिलाना चाहता। यह क्षेत्र वान एवं गेहूं उत्पादन का बहुत बड़ा केन्द्र है। ट्रांसपोर्ट की भी सभी सुविधायें इस स्थान पर मौजूद हैं, फिर भी इस क्षेत्र में इन दिनों अपराध बहुत तेज गति पर हो रहा है।

मान्यवर, वहां अपराधों का एक मात्र कारण भुखमरी एवं बेरोजगारी है। यहां के 90 प्रतिशत से अधिक लोग प्रायः खेती करते हैं। गाय भैंस पालते हैं। यहां की आबादी लगभग 30 लाख के करीब है। आबादी की तुलना में कृषि योग्य भूमि कम है। लोग शहरों में जाकर रिकशा चलाते हैं। अपनी जरूरत की आवश्यकताओं को पूरा करने के लिए कर्ज लेते हैं। परिणामतः यहां बहुत ज्यादा आर्थिक अव्यवस्था है।

इस सदन में सैदपुर के संबंध में कई बार चर्चा हुई। उद्योग मंत्री एवं अन्तर्पूर्वी उत्तर-