

Government rendering lakhs of workers jobless. Madhya Pradesh is also a State where a number of Textile mills run by the National Textile Corporation are on the verge of closure. Even after drawing the attention of the Central Government and the State Government time and again nothing effective has been done for their renewal and revival. Although the Central Government had given some suggestions but these are so much unpractical that the labourers can not accept these. These mills do not have financial resources. Under these circumstances the thousands of workers of the textile mills at Indore, Ujjain and Ratlam are very much feared about their closure and there is a lot of resentment among them.

Therefore, my submission to Central Government is that this matter may kindly be considered seriously and financial assistance for the renovation of the sick mills may kindly be provided immediately.

(iv) Need to Release Adequate Funds for Repair and Maintenance of Dilapidated National Highways in Bihar

[English]

DR. MUMTAZ ANSARI (Kodarma): I want to draw the attention of the Government towards the bad condition of the national highways in Bihar. Big pits and ditches have come up on these roads and they have become dangerous for plying any types of vehicles. Due to dilapidated conditions of such national highways many serious accidents have occurred and many precious lives and properties have been lost.

I, therefore, request the Central Government to grant adequate funds to the State Government for strengthening and maintenance of all such national highways of Bihar.

15.00 hrs.

(v) Need to open a Central School at Jehanabad district of Bihar.

[Translation]

SHRI RAMASHRAY PRASAD SINGH (Jehanabad): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I would like to raise an important issue of my constituency under rule 377. Though Jehanabad district was created long ago yet no Central School has been opened there. Being a terrorist affected district, it has been facing a number of economical, social, educational and other problems.

The State Government is prepared to provide land for this Central School.

Therefore it is urged upon the Government to make allocation from special fund for opening a Central School at Jehanabad so that more and more children from the terrorist affected district can be educated.

(vi) Need to Suitably Recognise the Achievements of Master V. Kutraleswaran, and Outstanding Long Distance Swimmer of Tamil Nadu

[English]

DR. (SHRIMATI) K.S. SOUNDARAM (Tiruchengode): Master V. Kutraleswaran who comes from Tiruchengode in

Tamil Nadu, is an outstanding long distance Swimmer. He has participated in various long distance competitions held in West Bengal, Maharashtra and Gujarat. He has successfully broken the Guinness record created by Shri Mihir Sen by swimming the five sea waves in the Calender year 1994.

I request the Central Government through you, Sir to honour this young talented boy by giving him the Arjuna Award or any other recognition so that our young boys and girls come forward for achievements in the field of sports.

(vii) Need to Allocate more Funds to the Agricultural University at Bhubaneswar in Orissa

SHRI GOPI NATH GAJAPATHI (Berhampur): The Orissa University of Agriculture, Bhubaneswar is facing serious financial crisis. The University was the second largest Agricultural University in the country, when it was established thirty two years ago. The talents students not only from Orissa but from other States also used to come in large number to take admission in that University, as it has been a very famous University. Although the University has achieved great success in providing education, research and modern technical studies to its students, due to want of resources, it is unable to carry on these programmes in modern and scientific ways. The University was established in the pattern of Land Grant University of America. At that time, grants were being obtained from America regularly. After the seventies, external assistance stopped coming to that University. The Central Government also had not been sanctioning funds adequately since then. The tools, machinery and other equipments procured about 30 years ago have now become old and obsolete. When modern and scientific machinery are introduced everywhere, it is not possible to carry on the activities of the University with the existing machinery. As such, modern teachings, demonstrations, practical training and research work have come to a stand still. In addition to the State and Central Government grants, at least 30 crores more are required annually to meet the various expenses needed to run the University.

I urge upon the Central Government to allocate adequate funds to the University of Agriculture, Bhubaneswar from the 1994-95 financial year, in order to save the University from serious crisis.

(viii) Need to Strictly Enforce the Ban on Cowslaughter in the Country

[Translation]

DR. P.R. GANGWAR (Pilibhit): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, the helplessness and anger of cow at the time of its slaughtering cause release of acitnone acid in its body and makes the beef poisonous and its consumption causes 160 diseases in human body. The calf and milk of the cow provide food for one time to 4,10,440 persons whereas beef of a cow can feed only 80 persons.

From cowdung, we get manure, electricity, environmental purifier and several curative elements.