

[Sh. Prithviraaj D. Chavan]

This area, particularly Patan and Shirala Talukas, are hilly, and are economically underdeveloped. People have been uprooted and displaced because of large irrigation projects. New LPTs required to be installed to cover the deprived area. These should be located at the highest points in the district, so that the signal can reach all the valleys. There is a long-standing demand from the elected representatives and local population to install LPTs Vasantgarh for Satara district and at Sagareswar for Sangli district.

The Ministry of Information and Broadcasting should immediately sanction this demand on priority basis for these hilly areas.

- (x) **Need to connect Bareilly with Bombay and other parts of Southern India by Rail and also to increase the quota of Reservation in trains at Bareilly.**

[Translation]

SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR (Bareilly): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, Bareilly is a major city of Uttar Pradesh. It is also a major commercial Centre of Western Uttar Pradesh with several industrial institutes. There is a long-standing demand of the citizens of this area to connect Bareilly with Bombay and other parts of Southern India by rail and also to increase the quota of reservation in trains at Bareilly. I, myself, have also written many times in this connection. Keeping in view the need of the citizens of this area, I would like to request hon. Railway Minister to pay attention to it and issue instructions for necessary instructions action.

- (XI) **Need for adequate development of Devgarh of Lalitpur district in Uttar Pradesh which is a tourist place**

SHRI RAJENDRA AGNIHOTRI (Jhansi) Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, "Dewgarh" in Lalitpur district in Uttar Pradesh is the Place where

remains of the Gupta-Period are located and it is an ancient historical site. It covers an area of nearly 10 kms. There are 10 to 11 unique spots of Gupta-period in the backdrop of nature's splendour. Devgarh is a famous Jain pilgrim centre. Thousands of splendid Jain statues are there. Today, Devgarh is developing as a tourist centre. This centre is located at the bank of the river Betwa. The area of 7 acre of forest is surrounded by the river Betwa.

Thousands of tourists visit Devgarh every year. Three time a year programmes are organised by the Jain Samaj and lakhs of people take part in them.. The existing memorials and remains in Devgarh are under the supervision of the Archaeological Department of the Government of India. But there are still some spots like Ranchhor ma Maharaj spot which the Department of Archaeology has not taken over. Devgarh is in no way less important than the caves of Khajuraho or Ajanta-Ellora. It is a question of the preservation of a historical heritage. In these areas the construction of hotels for tourists to retire at night, night-shelters for common people, metalled roads and parks in the forest surrounded by Betwa are necessary. Adequate arrangement for electricity and water should be made in Devgarh area.

I demand that the Central Government constitute a committee of Members of Lok Sabha as also the representatives of the Department of Tourism and Archaeology of the Government of India to ensure proper development of Devgarh.

13.44 hrs.

ELECTRICITY LAWS (AMENDMENT) BILL

[English]

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Now, we go to next item. Shri Kalp Nath Rai.

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