

13.31 hrs

**WATER ( PREVENTION AND CONTROL  
OF POLLUTION CESS ( AMENDMENT )  
BILL**

*[English]*

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE  
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FOR-  
ESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): I beg to move  
for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the  
Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution)  
Cess Act, 1977.

MR. SPEAKER: The question is:

"That leave be granted to intro-  
duce a Bill to amend the Water  
(Prevention and Control of Pollu-  
tion) Cess Act, 1977."

*The motion was adopted*

SHRI KAMAL NATH: I introduce the  
Bill.

MR. SPEAKER: Now, Matters under  
Rule 377.

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**MATTERS UNDER RULE 377**

- (I) **Need to construct a road over  
bridge, at Thiruppappuliur  
Railway Station in Cuddalore,  
Tamil Nadu**

*[English]*

SHRI P.P.KALIAPERUMAL (Cuddal-  
ore): Thiruppappuliur is a part of Cuddalore  
Municipal Town and is also the headquarter  
of the South Arcot District. It is a selection

grade municipal town. The level-crossing  
near the Thiruppappuliur Railway Station  
in Southern Railway is a busy level-cross-  
ing. For the facility of the public, construction  
of a road over bridge in place of the existing  
busy level-crossing is necessary. The in-  
habitants of the Cuddalore Municipal Town  
and the surrounding areas have been  
demanding a road over bridge for the past  
two decades. Their demand is genuine and  
justifiable. But it has not materialised so far.  
They are suffering in silence.

The Southern Railway has also pro-  
posed a road over bridge in replacing the  
level-crossing for the consideration of the  
Board. I urge upon the Union Government to  
include the provision of the above road over  
bridge in the works programme of 1991-92  
and complete the same as early as possible.

- (II) **Need to upgrade the Gopalpur  
Minor Port at Arzipalli in Orissa**

SHRI GOPI NATH GAJAPATHI (Ber-  
hampur): The proposal to upgrade the  
Gopalpur Minor Port set up at Arzipalli in  
Orissa is long pending with the Central  
Government. This is a seasonal Port, which  
operates for only six months in a year. For  
optimum utilisation of assets already cre-  
ated for catering to the needs of future traffic,  
it is essential to upgrade the Port. With this  
aim, the Government of Orissa has submit-  
ted an updated Master Plan prepared by the  
Ocean Engineering Centre, Madras in Au-  
gust 1990. It has also forwarded a project  
report for obtaining assistance from the Asian  
Development Bank, if necessary.

According to the studies made by the  
port and Shipping Sector, the capacity of  
Paradeep Port will be 24 million tonnes by  
2000 A.D. It will not be able to handle the  
increasing traffic, particularly the entire coal  
cargo of 35 million tonnes required by the  
thermal power stations. Thus, it will be desir-  
able to have second outlet at Gopalpur for