Seventeenth Loksabha

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Title: Regarding unemployment problem among SC & ST community in the country.

SHRI RAMULU POTHUGANTI (NAGARKURNOOL): Hon. Speaker, Sir, I thank you for giving me an opportunity to speak.

As the House is well aware, since Independence, the SC/ST people are suffering from low educational facilities and there is a high rate of unemployment among them. So, they are facing lot of difficulties for their livelihood in the absence of proper employment.

On the one hand, the Government is saying that India is shining on all fronts and sectors and on the other, the pathetic situation of SC/ST people has never improved and remains the same on all fronts. The level of employment is low among the SC/ST people. Most of the SC/ST people hail from economically backward areas and also from rural and remote areas all over the country.

Due to COVID-19, it has come to my notice that many educated unemployed SC/ST youth are compromising and working under MNREGA schemes and also selling fruits, vegetables and other items on the roadside.

Sir, I would like to bring to your kind notice the need to provide unemployment allowance to the unemployed SC/ST people in the country at the minimum rate of ₹ 5,000 per month.

Hence, I request the hon. Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment, through the Chair, to kindly consider the pathetic situation of the unemployed SC/ST people in the country by preparing data and provide relief to them with at least ₹ 5,000 per month as unemployment allowance, for which they shall be ever grateful to him.

I sincerely request the Government of India to form a Joint Parliamentary Committee to assess the unemployment level among the SC/ST people in the country.

Thank you.

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