

[Prof. Rasa Singh Rawat]

tract. Kith and Kin of thousands of these labourers are not getting full meal. The dues amounting to crores of rupees of provident fund and insurance deposits of the labourers have not been paid. Different Cloth Mill Labour Organisations and political parties have repeatedly requested the Government to re-start this mill.

Therefore, to give employment to the Jobless labourers, to save their Kith and Kin from starvation and to save machines worth crores of rupees, the Government of India should take-over Krishna Mill immediately and start it under NTC and same the production.

**(v) Need for early construction of a lateral road in Sitamarhi district, Bihar**

SHRI NAWAL KISHORE RAI (Sitamarhi): Mr. Chairman, Sir, Sitamarhi, a backward district of Bihar State is far away from the developmental activities. Sitamarhi is on the border of Nepal. For a long time the construction of a lateral road is being demanded here. The construction of a lateral road is essential from the security point of view, because no road of this district is in a condition to be used for rigging defence supplies in case of need. 13th and 14th gates of Nepal open in this district. The construction work of highway in Nepal was done by the Government of India, which has its own importance. The roads of Saidpur, Pupari, Turkhand, Pahihar and Bela of this district are already in a bad condition, where no vehicle can be driven speedily.

Therefore, I request the Central Government to get a survey of this road conducted by the Border Road Organisation and construct this road immediately.

**(vi) Need to provide STD facility at Jhargram Telephone Exchange in Midnapure district, West Bengal**

[English]

SHRI RUP CHAND MURMU (Jhargram): Jhargram sub-divisional town of Midnapore district of West Bengal is an important place in many respects. It is an area which is principally dominated by the tribal people. In this age of electronic development, communication system in this area is very much back-dated. In view of the various recent development programmes undertaken by the Government of West Bengal, it is rightly felt that the communications system should be modernised with extension of this facility to remote villages of this area. Government of West Bengal has installed one of its offices of an important Department, the Jhargram Development Parishad with a Minister there. There is no STD facility in that area. It causes a great difficulty to maintain day-to-day communication due to lack of this modern facility.

I urge the Central Government to provide STD facility to Jhargram Telephone Exchange immediately.

13.07 hrs.

*The Lok Sabha then adjourned for Lunch till ten minutes past Fourteen of the Clock*

*The Lok Sabha re-assembled after Lunch at eighteen minutes past Fourteen of the Clock*

[SHRI P.M. SAYEED in the Chair]