

Title: hNeed to take steps to protect the interests of local fishermen in Dakshin Kannada –Laid.h

SHRI VINAY KUMAR SORAKE (UDUPI): Sir, I would like to bring to the attention of the Central Government the pitiable plight of fishermen community living along the coastal belt of Dakshin Kannada.

In small country-made fishing vessels and semi-mechanised boats, without any navigational and safety aids, the fishermen roam the turbulent waters mostly along the shoreline where yield has become much lower. In contrast, big mechanised deep sea trawlers reach far out to get better yields to the detriment of small fishermen along with coastal line. It would be expedient if the Centre evolves an all-India policy of restricting the operation of deep sea trawlers to protect the fishermen using traditional crafts.

Added to this is the acute problem of drinking water and non-availability of kerosene at subsidized rates. Many important works like completion of fishing harbour lind stage at Malpe, harobour/jetty complexes at Hangarkatta (Udupi Taluk) and Gangolli and Koderi (Kundapura Taluk) need Central assistance in good measure. I call upon the Central Government to come to the rescue of the fishermen community in my region by providing a special survival package during the current fiscal year 2002-2003.

MR. CHAIRMAN : Now, let us take up the legislative business, Item No. 14.

â€¦ (व्यवधान)

श्री रतिलाल कालीदास वर्मा (धन्धुका) : सभापति महोदय, मैं पूछना चाहता हूँ कि गुजरात में श्रीमती सोनिया गांधी, नेता विरोधी पक्ष शांति के लिए गई हैं या

â€¦ (व्यवधान)

श्रीमती भावनाबेन देवराजभाई चिखलिया (जूनागढ़) : सभापति जी, सोनिया गांधी जी ने जो गुजरात दौरे के समय जो कहा, वह गुजरात की जनता का अपमान है।â€¦ (व्यवधान)
