

Title: Request the Government for providing necessary budget for the Nandyal-Yerraguntla Railway line and start civil work immediately.

SHRI Y.S. VIVEKANANDA REDDY (CUDDAPAH): Sir, in the Cuddapah district of Andhra Pradesh, at the Yerraguntla railway station, *rail roko* is being organised yesterday, today and tomorrow. ...(*Interruptions*) This is regarding the sanctioned work for Nandyal-Yerraguntla railway line work. At Nandyal, there has been a *rail roko* agitation. ...(*Interruptions*) At Yerraguntla railway station, in the hot sun from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. this agitation has been going on yesterday. There will be *rail roko* today and tomorrow also. All the district MLAs along with the representatives of farmers and traders have been participating in this *rail roko*. ...(*Interruptions*)

12.22 बजे (उपाध्यक्ष महोदय पीठासीन हुए)

श्री राजेश रंजन उर्फ पप्पू यादव : उपाध्यक्ष जी, मेरा भी नोटिस है। (व्यवधान)

SHRI Y.S. VIVEKANANDA REDDY : Last month, the GM, South-Central Railway assured in a meeting with Members of Parliament at the division level that work would be taken up in September-October. This Yerraguntla-Nandyal new railway line was sanctioned during Shri P.V. Narasimha Rao's tenure as Prime Minister and the land acquisition part is also completed. However, works have not yet been taken up. The previous Minister of Railways assured that the civil works would be started as soon as the land acquisition part is completed. Now that the land acquisition part is completed in Cuddapah district, we demand the Government to take up work immediately.

Only a nominal amount has been provided for this sanctioned work. We request the Government to provide at least Rs.20 crore to start the civil works immediately. Time-consuming works like building a railway bridge across the River Pennar have to be started immediately. I request the hon. Minister of Railways through you to assure on the floor of the House that he would provide the necessary budget and start the civil works. All the MLAs in Cuddapah district of Andhra Pradesh are presently participating in the *rail roko* agitation at Yerraguntla railway station in the South-Central Railway. I therefore request the hon. Minister to assure on the floor of this House that necessary budget for this work would be provided and that the civil works would be started immediately. ...(*Interruptions*)

SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY : Sir, the hon. Member has referred to a serious agitation going on in Cuddapah district, which is represented by him. I would request the hon. Minister of Railways through you to take serious notice of it and have it attended to. ...(*Interruptions*)

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI NITISH KUMAR): Sir, he can meet me and I will look into the matter.

...(*Interruptions*)

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Shri Pappu Yadav, all the important matters are raised during Zero Hour and they are all listed. Your name is also in the list, at no.15, which is the last one. I will call you. Please be seated.

...(*Interruptions*)