

Title: Need to look into the problems being faced by weavers in Andhra Pradesh.

SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY (MIRYALGUDA): Sir, we have, for some time, been witnessing the phenomenon of farmers committing suicide on a large scale in Andhra Pradesh out of sheer desperation. Unfortunately, the despair has spread to the weavers' community to the point of driving of many of the skilled weavers committing suicide in Andhra Pradesh. In fact, in my own Lok Sabha constituency, one poor weaver, of Nakrekal town, unable to eke out his living, has recently committed suicide.

In view of the increasing distress of weaving community, I plead strongly for an extensive package of measures to rush to the rescue of weavers, who are the second biggest professional group in the country.

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