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SHRI M. SHIVANNA: I am repeatedly requesting the Centre to set up a Bulk Milk Centre in Chamrajanagar, Karnataka. The number of milk producers is increasing day by day and they are all very poor people. Unfortunately, in this district, the milk marketing facility is not good. The milk producers are incurring huge losses. They are not able to pay interest on the loan that they have taken from banks and other financial institutions. Therefore, there is an urgent need to set up Bulk Milk Centre in my Constituency. This will enable the milk producers to produce many milk products like chocolates, ice-cream, etc.

The hon. Minister of Rural Development, Dr. Raghuvansh Prasad Singh, assured a grant of Rs. 6.5 crore, but unfortunately, nothing has been done in this matter. He has to keep up his promise which he made to the people of my Constituency in this regard. Till today, no action has been taken by the Centre in this matter. Hence, I urge upon the Central Government to set up a Bulk Milk Centre in Chamrajanagar without any further delay.

<sup>\*</sup> Translation of the speech originally delivered in Kannada.