

Title: Condition of girls' hostels in the country.

SHRI MADHU GOUD YASKHI : Madam Speaker, today I would like to bring to the notice of the Union Government the inhuman conditions prevailing in the hostels meant for girls belonging to SCs, STs and OBCs across the country. There are no basic amenities provided in these hostels. Not even drinking water facility is available in many of these hostels. These conditions are prevailing in these hostels across the country. As very few bathrooms and toilets are available in these hostels, often these poor girls are forced to get up in the early hours to stand in queues to be able to use the toilets and bathrooms. Andhra Pradesh is a very progressive State and is considered to be much better when compared to many other States. In Andhra Pradesh, over 6.5 lakh girls are staying in hostels belonging to SCs, STs and OBCs. If we are to provide at least one bathroom and one toilet per ten girls in all these hostels in Andhra Pradesh alone, we would need to construct over 40,000 bathrooms and toilets. The number of bathrooms and toilets available now there is only 20,000. Obviously, State Governments across the country do not have enough funds to take up this work and complete it on a war-footing. It is estimated that in Andhra Pradesh alone over 63 per cent of the girls living in these hostels are suffering from various diseases because of lack of proper facilities of drinking water, toilets and bathrooms. If this is the condition prevailing in girls hostels, one can imagine what the state of boys' hostels would be. These girls' hostels are really in a pathetic and inhuman condition across the country. I hope the Central Government takes up this matter urgently. If you make a case study of the State of Andhra Pradesh and assess the requirement of toilets, while the Government estimates show that the requirement of toilets in SC hostels in the State is 19,898, only 8,800 are available now; and only 9,700 bathrooms are available now against a requirement of 19,855. In hostels belonging to STs, against an estimated requirement of toilets of 11,959, only 5670 are available; and while the requirement of bathrooms is 10,000, only 4900 are available.

Similar situation is prevailing for OBC hostels also. There is a vast disparity between the requirement and the provision which the Government is giving now.

Madam Speaker, I would like to urge upon the Government through you to take up this matter quite seriously and come to the rescue of the State Governments to provide enough funds through the Social Justice Ministry or whichever Ministry it is. It should see the sufferings of the girls living in the pathetic conditions in the hostels and provide basic living conditions for these hostels so that we could proudly say that our country is the first country to have a woman as the President, travelling in Sukhoi war plane. We have great respect – we have a woman as the President and a woman as the Speaker of the House. Madam, you may kindly use your good office and instruct the Government to take it up on a war-footing and provide enough facilities to the hostels. Thank you.
...(Interruptions)

SHRIMATI BOTCHA JHANSI LAKSHMI (VIZIANAGARAM): I associate with the issue that is raised by him.

SHRI SUDIP BANDYOPADHYAY (KOLKATA UTTAR): Madam, we make a demand that the Central Government's team should immediately go to West Bengal; the situation has worsened. Yesterday also, indiscriminate firing has taken place. ...(Interruptions) It has never happened earlier. ...(Interruptions)

MADAM SPEAKER: Nothing will go on record.

(Interruptions) *

MADAM SPEAKER: Let us have order in the House.

...(Interruptions)

योगी आदित्यनाथ (गोरखपुर): अध्यक्ष महोदया, मैं आपके माध्यम से जापानी इंसेफेलाइटिस से देश के विभिन्न भागों में, खास तौर से पूर्वी उत्तर प्रदेश के गोरखपुर बीआरडी मेडिकल कॉलेज में हो रही मौतों की तरफ सदन का ध्यान आकर्षित करना चाहता हूँ।...(व्यवधान)

अध्यक्ष महोदया : आप बोलते रहिए।

*(व्यवधान)

अध्यक्ष महोदया : आप कृपया माननीय सदस्य को बोलने दीजिए।

*(व्यवधान)

योगी आदित्यनाथ : महोदया, 1978-79 से अब तक इस बीमारी से 10 हजार से भी ज्यादा लोगों और मासूम बच्चों की मौतें हुईं

हैं।...(व्यवधान)

MADAM SPEAKER: Please sit down.

...(Interruptions)

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...(Interruptions)