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Title: Need to take steps to prevent the sale of women in Eluru town in Andhra Pradesh , West Godavari District.

SHRI NADENDLA BHASKARA RAO : Mr. Speaker Sir, women are sold for Rs.5000 to Rs.30,000 in Eluru town in Andhra Pradesh, West Godavari District. They are even leased out on a contract of six months or one year or two years. These women are between the age group of 16 to 30 years.

Sir, Prevention of Immoral Trafficking Act and other necessary Acts to prevent these kinds of things are there in Andhra Pradesh, but the Government has not taken any steps to prevent this. So many girls have been sold to other States. It has come in today's newspapers... (Interruptions)

>SHRI K. YERRANNAIDU : It is there in today's newspapers that the Government is taking necessary steps... (Interruptions)

SHRI NADENDLA BHASKARA RAO : Sir, some of the women come from Tenali, Nidadavolu, Velpuru, Tanuku and Tadepalligudem. About ten women have been sold recently and the highest bid is Rs.30,000... (Interruptions) The obvious reason for which they have been engaged and sold is known, I need not express it here. So, there must be a curb to it and Government should take immediate steps to prevent this. It is a failure on the part of the Government of Andhra Pradesh. Sir, my submission is that there should be a direction from the Chair to the State Government to take immediate action to stop this. Thank you.

">SHRIMATI MINATI SEN (JALPAIGURI): Sir, I would also like to raise a issue which is a serious offence against women. It is published today in The Indian Express. I would like to draw your kind attention that the women are sold ... (Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: Madam, he has already given the details. You can support him.

... (Interruptions)

SHRIMATI MINATI SEN : Sir, this is a very important matter... (Interruptions)

DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD (MADHUBANI): Sir, what about my notice on Floods in Bihar? ... (Interruptions)

SHRIMATI MINATI SEN : Sir, we are celebrating the Golden Jubilee of Fifty Years of our Independence and women are being sold off today in our country. Sir, we want a discussion on this serious matter.