Title: Need to solve the drinking water problem in Miryalguda in Andhra Pradesh.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: I have called Dr. B.N. Reddy.

DR. ASIM BALA (NABADWIP): Sir, I want to raise a matter which is urgent and important.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: The hon. Speaker has already listed all the important issues. I am only calling the names of the Members as per the list given to me.

DR. B.N. REDDY (MIRYALGUDA): Mr. Deputy-Speaker, Sir, I would like to draw the attention of the Government to the acute drinking water problem in my district and my parliamentary constituency, Miryalguda in Andhra Pradesh. The problem is not only there in my district, but there is acute scarcity of drinking water throughout the State of Andhra Pradesh.

Sir, the Central Government gives utmost importance for supply of drinking water throughout the country and the National Agenda for Governance of the present Government states that drinking water will be supplied to all the villages in the country.

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But we see that even today, the ladies have to travel up to two or three kilometres. They are walking in the hot sun to get some water. The National Agenda says that we will give utmost importance to the drinking water. So, while talking about this, the Minister has once said that this is a State subject. Whether it is a State subject or the Central subject, it is the duty of the Government to see that water is supplied to the people who are really in need of it. So, I request the Central Government to do something about it.

The fluoride content in water is so much that the people are getting a lot of diseases. So, I draw the attention of the Government to do something immediately.<![endif]>