

vigilant as such an incident can take place again, because this is not the first incident of its kind. Had the Government been vigilant this tragedy in which 8 policemen have been killed by laying a mine could have been avoided, and the lives of those 8 persons could have been saved. Thus, the State Government has proved a complete failure. This incident could have been avoided by remaining a bit-vigilant. The Government should take steps to check the recurrence of such incidents
(Interruptions) . .

MR. SPEAKER : No one has asked you to supply information then why are you giving it.

. . (Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER : Shrimati Suseela Gopalan, Lodhaji, please take your seat No, not in this way

. . (Interruptions)

[English]

MR. SPEAKER : Shrimati Suseela Gopalan

[Translation]

Mr Lodha it is not like this. You please sit down. (Interruptions)*

[English]

MR. SPEAKER : Only Shrimati Suseela Gopalan's statement will go on record.

SHRIMATI SUSEELA GOPALAN (Chirayinkil) : Sir I want to draw the attention of the hon. Agriculture Minister regarding an urgent matter concerning viral infection in fish species in the districts of Alleppy and Kottayam in Kerala. Fish in Vembanad lake and surrounding canals is affected by an unknown virus infection. This lake is 75 kms in length and

13 kms in breadth. You can understand the magnitude of the problem. You can imagine the area which is affected with this. Wounds are appearing in the body of the fish with nasty smell and flesh is coming out the portion. People are afraid even to eat other varieties like prawn which are not affected. People are really panicky and thousands of fishermen families are really starving. We understand that in Meghalaya and Assam some such kind of infection had affected fish species in 1988

An expert medical team should be sent to Kerala without delay for investigation and prompt remedial measures. Immediate relief should be given to the thousands of starving fishermen families as was done in Assam and Meghalaya

SHRI GOVINDA CHANDRA MUNDA (Keonjhar) : Sir, the flood havoc is caused due to overflow of banks of the rivers Baitarani, Kusei, Samakri, Musul, Ardei etc in the district of Keonjhar, Orissa

The river embankment on left side is continuing from Anandpur to Ganeswar. There is no embankment on left side from Jateswar onwards. Because of this, Samana, Govindpur, Agira, Kushaleswar, Balipur etc are getting submerged very often. A proposal was taken twice in T. A. C. on 3rd January, 1991 and 29th July 1991 for an embankment from Samana to Agira for 380 kilometres at an estimated cost of Rs. 27.70 lakhs. The other side embankment in Cuttack has been approved. One small portion is needed to protect Anandpur town which was also taken to T. A. C. on 3rd