

SHRI MUKUL BALKRISHNA WASNIK (Buldhana) : Sir, on the eve of Independence day, a woman was stripped naked and paraded in the street in Andhra Pradesh.

MR. SPEAKER : It has already been raised. I cannot allow it. Wasnikji, you cannot shout all the time like this. This was brought on the record. I will show the rule. Once the matter comes in the House you cannot raise it again. "It shall not repeat in substance question already answered or to which the answers have been received". I am not allowing you.

(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER : I am not allowing it. I have called Shri Tope

SHRI MUKUL BALKRISHNA WASNIK : We want a statement from the Home Minister.

MR. SPEAKER : You please meet the Home Minister.

*(Interruptions)**

MR. SPEAKER : I am not allowing this. This will not go on record

(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER : Lodhaji I am not allowing. It is in your own interest. We are discussing the Demands for Grants of Agriculture. Don't you want to discuss the Agriculture Demands? What is this? Matters on which we have been thinking for years, we do not want to discuss, and anything which comes into your mind, you want to discuss! Please Lodhaji I am not allowing you. I will not allow you.

(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER : This is your House. It is your time. You cannot hold everybody to ransom.

(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER : I have called Shri Ankushrao Tope.

(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER : Nothing will go on record.

*(Interruptions)**

MR. SPEAKER : I have called Shri Tope. Only Shri Tope goes on record and not any other Member

12.39 hrs.

MATTERS UNDER RULE 377

[English]

(i) **Need to construct a new bridge at Shahagad on river Godavari**

SHRI ANKUSHRAO RAOSAHEB TOPE (Jalna) : Sir, there are big cracks in the major bridge of Shahagad which is on river Godavari. The traffic on the main line of Marathwada region connecting Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh and Gujarat have been affected since the last one year. The concerned authorities are not taking any initiative to start the construction of a new bridge. The vehicles have to run additional more than 100 kms. to reach their destinations.

Immediate steps for construction of a new bridge should be taken and I urge upon the Central Government to direct the concerned authorities to take the said work into hands on war-footing basis.

(ii) Need to re-start Janata and Navajeevan Express trains between Madras and Bombay.

SHRI A. PRATAP SAI (Rajampet): Rayalaseema, a backward region of Andhra Pradesh has least railway network. The Madras-Bombay "B. G." line runs through some parts of Rayalaseema. The said train was introduced about 35 years back and was highly economical for the local farmers to transport their agricultural produce like mango, lemon, orange, banana and mainly betel leaves, directly to the two Metros.

This train is very convenient to the general public. Such a popular train was abruptly cancelled without consulting the representatives of the people nor any proper reasons given for cancellation of the train. Similarly, the Navjeevan Express between Madras and Ahmedabad, traversing on the same "BG" line was also cancelled causing great economic hardship to the local people. Thus the development activities in this region have greatly come down with the cancellation of all important lifeline of the common man and the industrialist as well as the agriculturist.

Keeping in view the economic condition of this backward area I request the Government to help the region by introducing the Janata and Navajeevan Express trains to pass through this region.

12.41 hrs.

[MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER IN THE CHAIR]

(iii) Need to open Coal Division at Gopalpur in Sundargarh district of Orissa

KUMARI FRIDA TOPNO (Sundargarh): Sundargarh at Gopalpur contains the largest deposit of coal in Asia. The coal mines have yet to start functioning. On the instruction of the Government of India fifteen villages have been earmarked for eviction. I, however, request that before the displacement of these villagers, due compensation should be paid and proper stops be taken for their re-settlement. Immediate steps have to be taken for providing job opportunities to the family members of these displaced persons on priority basis. It is the demand of the people of Sundargarh to have a coal division at Gopalpur.

Opening of a Coal Division at Gopalpur will create job avenues to the displaced and the sons of the soil. It will also cater to the needs of the local people and effective and timely action will be possible only when the Division Office is located close to the site of mines.

I, therefore, urge upon the Government to open the Coal Division at Gopalpur.

(iv) Need to prevent delay caused at Kanpur railway station in distribution of bananas sent from Jalgaon to Lucknow.

DR. GUNVANT RAMBHAU SARODE (Jalgaon): The bananas produced in Jalgaon district are transported through Railway wagons to Northern India and are distributed there. The wagons are loaded from Jalgaon district for Lucknow. Its distribution is however, unnecessarily delayed at Kanpur by railway authorities at the behest of traders. As bananas are perishable fruits, delay in their distribution causes losses.