

(iv) **Need to set up electronic telephone exchange in Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh**

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SHRISATYNARAYAN JATIYA (Ujjain): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, there is a long waiting list for telephone connection in Ujjain. There is a need to expand the telephone system in order to provide telephone to the people in the long waiting list.

E-I-OB system of electronic exchange should immediately be set up in Ujjain, and a convenient system should be made available for the ensuing "Sinhastha Parva" so that people may have a fault-free telephone facility. My submission is that on the occasion of the "Sinhastha Parva" a commemorative stamp should be issued and the facility of mobile post office should also be made available.

(v) **Need to provide a halt at Narpatnagar village between Sakiri Junction and Tarsarai railway station of North-Eastern Railway and to name it after Shaheed Suraj Narain Singh**

SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV (Jhanjharpur): Mr. Deputy-Speaker, Sir, there is a need to provide a halt at Narpatnagar village between Sakiri junction and Tarsarai railway station of North Eastern Railway, to be named Shaheed Surya Narayan Singh halt. This proposal has been under consideration for the past so many years. Survey has already been completed in connection with this work. Shaheed Surya Narayan Singh was a frontline leader in the independence struggle. He was killed while fighting for the cause of the workers. Millions of people have faith in him. Narpatnagar is the ancestral village of the socialist leader late Suraj Babu. Local rural

people are ready to provide every possible help for the construction of the halt. Moreover, it is important from the point of view of transport, distance and income also.

Therefore, I demand the construction of a halt at Nagpatnagar village in the memory of Shaheed Suraj Narayan Singh, who was a source of inspiration with a view to provide facility to the people. I here will also be increasing the railway revenue.

(vi) **Need to develop the Konaseema area in East Godavari district in Andhra Pradesh**

[*English*]

SHRIG.M.C. BALAYOGI (Amalapur): Hon. Deputy Speaker, Sir, Konaseema area, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh is like an island surrounded by river Godavari and canals, and is rich in its agricultural produce, like rice, coconut. This area is not industrially developed. There is scope for locating agro-based small and medium industries by using the available natural gas as power.

Konaseema area is protected by 272 kms of flood banks which were raised about 100 years back during Sir Arthur Cotton's time and have become weak now. The threat of recurring floods is causing loss of crores of rupees worth agricultural products as well as human life every year. A small breach in any of the flood banks will submerge the whole area in the Bay of Bengal.

To help this area earn foreign exchange, the coastal area can be developed as a tourist resort in Kerala which will attract tourists and also help fishermen to transport their catch to different parts.

It is requested that steps be taken to help locate agro-based small and medium

industries, strengthen and widen the existing flood banks to avert floods and thus save the people of this area from recurring losses and release funds from coastal development fund for the development of coastal area.

(vii) Need to fill up the vacancies of managing Director and Chairman in the New Bank of India urgently

SHRI MORESHWAR SAVE (Aurangabad): Sir, the New Bank of India a nationalised bank, has suffered a loss of approximately Rs. 10 crore in the financial year 1989-90. It is learnt that the loss for the financial year 1990-91. is even higher.

One of the major reasons attributable to this is the vacant posts of the Chairman and Managing Director since long. For the last 1 1/2 years, one of the Executive Directors is heading the bank. The Reserve Bank of India, vide its July-1990 report, had indicated the said Executive Director and had even recommended action against him.

In the present scenario when further loss by public institution cannot be accepted, there is a grave need to immediately investigate into the various aspects of functioning of New Bank of India. There is immediate need to appoint a capable and responsible outside executive as Managing Director and Chairman so that he can dispassionately take suitable and drastic steps to set the bank on the development path. Only this will lead to checking of malpractices of the bank.

(viii) Need to introduce a new train between Jabalpur and Delhi

SHRI SHARAVAN KUMAR PATEL (Jabalpur): Mr. Deputy Speaker Sir, eleven Lok Sabha MPs from Madhya Pradesh have given a memorandum to the Railway Minister on 26.8.1991 urging upon him to start a new train between Jabalpur and Delhi via

Katni and Bina on a shorter and direct route in public interest.

The existing only train, namely, Mahakoshal Express runs on a circuitous route thus taking several additional hours inconveniencing the commuters to reach their respective destinations. Moreover, once started as an Express Train, it has been reduced to a passenger train stopping at various small stations and runs in variably late and is always packed beyond its capacity

Thus, there is every justification for a new train. I would, therefore, urge upon the Railway Minister to make a statement, regarding introduction of such a train during the current session itself.

13.16 hrs

PLACES OF WORSHIP (SPECIAL PROVISIONS) BILL —CONTD.

[English]

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Now, the House will take up further consideration of the Places of Worship (Special Provisions) Bill moved by Shri S.B Chavan on the 9th September, 1991. Shri Rajnath Sonker Shastri may continue now.

[Translation]

SHRI RAJNATH SONKER SHASTRI (Saidpur): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, many points were raised yesterday when I was speaking on this Bill. I am sorry to say that our friends said so many things but they did not try to know the reality. Yesterday, I was saying that in *Manusmriti* there are so many such words, verses and couplets, which are insulting to us. *Manusmriti* is considered to be the representative scripture of God in