

16.59 hrs.

MATTERS UNDER RULE 377

- (i) **Need to review the allocation of funds for districts of J and K State under Jawahar Rozgar Yojana**

[English]

SHRI DHARM PAL SHARMA (Udhampur) Sir, the Central Government has given different treatment to different districts of J&K State, especially in the Udhampur Parliamentary Constituency, in allocation of funds under various Central Schemes under the Jawahar Rozgar Yojana. The Government has allotted huge amounts, both under the State and the Central sectors, to the districts having less population and small area, whereas lesser amounts have been allotted to the districts having large population and having larger area. I urge upon the Central Government to review its policy of allotting of funds. The funds be allotted to the similarly circumstanced districts on the basis of number of Blocks/Panchayats in each district in order to ensure balanced development in the State.

- (ii) **Need to declare at least one University in each state as a Central University and to take over Sambalpur University as a Central University for all round development of education in Western Orissa**

SHRI BHABANI SHANKAR HOTA (Sambalpur) Being neglected since the British days, the districts of Sundargarh, Sambalpur, Kalahandi, Bolangir, Phulbani and a part of Dhonkanal suffered in terms of growth of education as in any other fields. The rich natural resources such as fertile soil, rich forest cover, minerals, un-harnessed water resources provide a base for rapid growth of the area and its people. It was believed that the establishment of Sambalpur University in 1967 would work as a stimulant of growth of not only higher education but

would also be a catalyst for better

The standard of the Sambalpur University was of the highest order in terms of quality of teachers and students, sports, extracurricular activities and it earned a name at the national level in various fields. Due to lack of resources and continuous neglect, the University has been reduced to the status of a mere appendage of the Education Department of the Government of Orissa.

I urge that the Central Government should declare at least one University in each State as a Central University. Further I demand that as there is full justification, the Central Government should also take over Sambalpur University as a Central University for all round development of education in the most backward area of the country i.e. Western Orissa.

- (iii) **Need to take steps to check pollution in Rajrapa region of Hazaribagh district to encourage tourism there**

[Translation]

PROF. YADUNATH PANDEY (Hazaribagh) Mr Deputy Speaker Sir, under Rule 377, I would like to bring to your notice that Chinna Mastika Temple situated in Rajrapa at the confluence of river Bhairavi (Bheda) and river Damodar in Hazaribagh district is a tourist spot in Chotanagpur forest range where tourists and visitors come throughout the year. But due to water of Damodar and Bhairavi rivers getting contaminated and becoming dirty, the atmosphere of the area has become polluted and it is having adverse effect on the tourists. The main reason of air and water pollution is the location of Rajrapa Washery Project (C.C.L.) situated on the banks of river Bhairavi. The walls of the slurry tank of the washery have collapsed on a number of occasions thereby aggravating pollution. The project is killing the natural surroundings, pleasant environment and natural beauty of Rajrapa. The callousness on the part of the Forest Officers is forcing the labourers, primitive inhabitants