

agriculture, The deep ravines should be used for diverting water and used as water channels. The ravines should be protected and measures should be taken to check their further increase. Peripheral fencing at a distance of 100 to 500 metres should be done from the place where the ravines begin and drainage system should be built. Mud embankments and water channels should be constructed, vegetation should be undertaken by the forest department all over the area. Rs. 100 crore should be spent jointly by the P.W.D. and the Railways for flood control schemes and development of roads, and railway lines, The ravines of Chambal should be levelled and the reclaimed land should be distributed among the youth for providing them employment opportunities. A team of experts from these departments should be sent for development of Chambal area. As per the report of the study team of the World Bank immediate financial assistance should be provided for the development of Chambal area.

- (v) **Need to remove the causes of discontent among the workers of South-Eastern Coalfields Ltd., Sohagpur**

SHRI YAMUNA PRASAD SHASTRI (Rewa): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, there is lot of discontentment among the workers of Sohagpur Coal—Fields under the South-Eastern Coalfields Ltd. (SECL) because of the behaviour of the General Manager. The workers of Sohagpur area have launched an agitation as a result of which there is shortfall in the production of coal. The country is passing through energy crisis. Therefore, coal production has to be increased at any cost. But the officials of S.E.C.L. do not seem to care about the national interests. I demand that the causes of discontent be looked into and the guilty be punished so that discontent prevailing among the worker is removed.

- (vi) **Need to man the unmanned railway level crossing on Rohtak-Panipat-Jind Railway Branch line and Panipat-Sonepat main line**

SHRI KAPIL DEV SHASTRI (Sonepat): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, with your permission, I would like to raise a matter of public importance under Rule 377. Rohtak-Panipat—Jind Railway Branch line and Panipat-Sonepat main line pass through three districts of Haryana. There are some unmanned railway level crossings on this line. Rickshaws, bullock carts, trains, tongas, tractors and many agriculturists pass through it day and night. A little carelessness can lead to major rail accidents and colossal loss of life and property. Most of the railway crossings are quite near to some villages and there is regular traffic on these crossings.

In view of the possible threat to the life and property of the villagers, level crossings near village—Ghilaur, Rajpur, Sardhana—Madhana, Jasya, Ratakhera (near Safido) should be manned and a new manned railway level crossing should be set up near village Mahmoodpur.

- (vii) **Need to provide financial assistance to the Government of Bihar for proper maintenance of tube wells in Buxer district, Bihar**

SHRI TEJ NARAYAN SINGH (Buxar): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, there are 299 tube-wells in the Buxar districts of Bihar, but only 30 of them are functioning and all the remaining are lying out of order. Some tube-wells are not working due to shortage of power and some have developed one or the other mechanical defect.

Therefore, I request the Government of India to keep aside at least 20 crore rupees