

construction of the Ganga barrage concerns the very existence of the people of Kanpur. The only alternative to ensure water supply and to check erosion and pollution is the construction of the Ganga barrage.

I would, therefore, request the Government to remove the difficulties coming in the way of the implementation of the project and to start the work immediately so that the people may get relief.

[Translation]

(v) Need to sanction a Railway bridge over the Saryu river in the Tanda region of Faizabad, U.P.

SHRI R. P. SUMAN (Akbarpur): Mr. Speaker, Sir, the development of transport is essential for the development of a country. In fact, it is absolutely essential to construct roads for the development of the rural areas. A thermal power project of 440 megawatt capacity is under construction near Tanda in Faizabad district of Uttar Pradesh. Rs. 20 crores have been sanctioned for the construction of a bridge over the Saryu river passing through Tanda. This bridge would connect Gorakhpur and Basti with Sultanpur, Pratapgarh and Allahabad via Tanda. A railway line is already there between Akbarpur and Tanda which is not very useful at present because only a small train runs on it. If this train could be extended up to Faizabad, then this railway line might become more useful. If along with the Rs. 20 crore bridge over the Saryu river, the construction of a railway bridge is also sanctioned, then it could be constructed at a low cost and the railway line could become more useful. Hence, I would vigorously demand for the construction of a railway bridge along with the Rs. 20 crore bridge which is being constructed over the river Saryu and the train running between Tanda and Akbarpur should be extended upto Faizabad so that usefulness, importance and effectiveness of the Tanda-Akbarpur rail line may increase.

[English]

(vi) Need to clarify the Government's stand on recommendations of Chattopadhyaya Commission in respect of Delhi School teachers

SHRI BAJU BAN RIYAN (Tripura

East): Mr. Speaker, Sir, the Chattopadhyaya Commission submitted its report on teachers pay etc., long ago. Instead of timely implementation of the recommendations of the said commission, the authorities are delaying the matter without any reason. Meanwhile, teachers of schools run by Delhi Administration, Municipal Corporation of Delhi and aided schools have resorted to agitation to mitigate their long standing grievances, and are suffering. When the Commission was constituted to go into the details of teachers' grievances, it was expected that the decision would be taken as soon as the report was submitted by the Commission. But now the Government is delaying decision on the matter in the same way as it did in the case of Mehrotra Committee Report for university teachers.

I, therefore, urge upon the Minister to please make a statement in the House, clarifying Government's stand so far as these reports are concerned so that cordial atmosphere is created in the academic world and students do not have to suffer any more.

(vii) Need for taking over the Radha Krishna Mills (Textiles), Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu

SHRI P. KOLANDAIVELU (Gobichettipalayam): Mr. Speaker, Sir, the Radhakrishna Mills (Textiles) at Coimbatore in Tamil Nadu was closed from 10.8.1986 due to its sickness and even the salaries of its employees have not been paid for several months. In spite of the cooperation rendered by the Mill labourers, the management was not able to run it profitably. The present management took charge of the Mills in 1979 with 62,000 spindles and 300 looms with required raw materials. Remodelling was done and even after that, the Mills were not able to run. The labourers have not resorted to any strike activities for the last seven years. Since the Mill is closed, the labourers are put to a lot of difficulties and starvation. They are unable to look after their families. The 1300 labourers are without employment opportunities. The Government of India should immediately take over the Mills in order to save the 1300 employee families from further starvation.