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tioning of V.L.P.Ts has caused great resentment among the people. It is warranted that well-trained personnel be posted at all the V.L.P.Ts for their smooth and regular functioning. The present V.L.P.T. at Roing under Roing Sub-Division of Arunachal Pradesh be converted into L.P.T. so that population of more than 40,000 in Chapakhoa-Sadiya Sub-Division of Assam, which is at a distance of 150 K.Ms from Dibrugarh Relay Station, is also benefited.

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(v) Need for early completion of Darbhanga-Forbesganj lateral road

SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV (Jhunjharpur): The construction work of 135 km. long lateral road from Darbhanga to Forbesganj in North Bihar is lying incomplete. It has sanctioned by the Government in the plan for the year 1988. This lateral road will be an important road for the nation because it is not essential only from traffic point of view in backward area adjoining Nepal but it will also be an important road from security point of view.

Hence, keeping importance of this road in view, I urge the Government to take steps to complete the construction of this lateral road from Darbhanga to Forbesganj at the earliest.

(vi) Need to pay compensation to the persons whose crops have been damaged in fire in Bhojpur district in Bihar

SHRI TEJ NARAIN SINGH (Buxar): Incidents of devastating fire took place in village Madiyan, under P.S. Nava Nagar, villages Nandan and Sonwan under police station Umrao, village Etari under P.S. Etari, village Sareja under P.S. Rajpur and village Damodarpur under P.S. Sahapur in district Bhojpur in Bihar as a result of which crops worth lakhs of rupees destroyed and the

farmers and the labourers in these villages were rendered homeless. No relief has been provided to them so far.

Therefore, I urge the Government to give Rs. 1000 as compensation to each victim of this fire and labourers whose houses have been destroyed by fire should be provided adequate assistance to enable them to reconstruct houses.

(vii) Need to provide finance for the proposed medical and engineering colleges in Bareilly (Uttar Pradesh) in the forth-coming plan

[*Translation*]

SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR (Bareilly): Mr. Chairman, Sir, for the past few years, a demand is being made for opening a Medical College and an engineering college at Bareilly, which is the main centre at western Uttar Pradesh. Bareilly is the divisional headquarters and earlier it was the headquarters of the Rohilkhand division. It is the main wholesale market for the Kumaon Garhwal region and being directly linked to Shahjahanpur, Rampur, Pilibhit, Badaun, Nainital and other adjacent districts of western Uttar Pradesh, more than one crore people living in these districts are directly connected with Bareilly.

Many years before the state Government also accepted the justification for opening a medical college and an engineering college at Bareilly, but no positive step has been taken in this direction upto now. It is an industrial area and, therefore, the establishment of an engineering college would encourage the existing and prospective entrepreneurs.

After completing their college education, the students of Bareilly area have run from place to place for technical education. There being no Medical College and engineering college in Bareilly, many brilliant students are deprived of higher education. Land would be easily available there for the