

Satana, Chandvad, Yevla, Nandgaon, Kalvan Tehsils in my constituency Malegaon (Nasik) which is a tribal area. People are becoming restless for want of drinking water. The water is not available for irrigation. Even fodder is not available for cattle. The entire area is drought affected. The State Government is supplying water through tankers which is negligible. The people are crying in distress.

Please constitute a committee immediately for conducting a survey of this area. I would like to submit that the Government should take immediate steps for providing relief to this area by declaring it as a drought affected area.

- (iv) **Need to provide adequate compensation to the families of students of Chandra Sekhar Azad Agriculture University, Kanpur, killed by terrorists in Patiala in November, 1989**

SHRI KESHARI LAL (Ghatampur): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir the atmosphere of violence prevailing in the country, particularly in Punjab and Jammu and Kashmir is a matter of concern for all citizens. Everyone is directly or indirectly affected by such incidents. Some students of Chandra-Shekhar Azad Agricultural University, Kanpur went to the National Institute of Sports, Patiala in November, 1989. Over there they were brutally murdered by terrorists. This incident shocked the entire nation. The loss suffered by the parents of these students is irreparable. But to some extent the Government can help by providing economic assistance and priority in employment to the families of the deceased.

So, the Government is requested to provide relief and rehabilitation facilities and compensation to the kith and kin of the deceased students in the same ratio in which such facilities are being made available to 1984 riot-affected people in Delhi.

- (v) **Need to stop the policy of recruitment in Armed Forces on the basis of population in each State**

PROF. PREM KUMAR DHUMAL (Hamirpur): Sir, at present recruitment in the Armed Forces is made on the basis of population of a particular State. As a result of which employment opportunities in small States like Himachal Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir, Haryana and Punjab, where the youth have traditionally joined the Armed Forces, have been reduced. The Dogra and Jat Regiments are renowned all over the world for their bravery. If the record of earlier wars is gone through we will come to know that these States, particularly Himachal Pradesh, have contributed a lot for the defence of the country. Even today lakhs of youngmen in these States are willing to join armed forces and contribute towards the defence of the country, but they are deprived of recruitment in armed forces due to the percentage fixed on the basis of population.

Therefore, I request the Government to stop the policy of recruitment in armed forces on the basis of population and those youngmen who want to join the armed forces voluntarily and serve the nation may be given an opportunity to do so.

[English]

- (vi) **Need to withdraw the restrictions on booking of betel baskets at Howrah Railway station**

SHRI SATYAGOPAL MISRA (Tamluk): Sir, The producers of betel leaves in West Bengal have been facing great difficulties for the unprecedented fall in price of their produces due to the problems of transportation of betel baskets by the railways.

Being highly perishable, betel leaves need quick transportation by the railways. But, insufficient and irregular supply of parcel vans in different trains passing through Mechada and Panskura stations has caused