

vacant posts on different stations in Orissa should be filled up without any further delay. The candidates kept on the panel should be immediately given appointment orders.

[*Translation*]

(III) Need to fix remunerative price for mustard

SHRI BIRBAL (Ganganagar): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, the price of mustard was Rs. 1100 per quintal last year but it has crashed down to Rs. 500 per quintal this year. The farmers toiled hard and produced a good crop of mustard by using costly seeds, insecticides and fertilizers, but they are not getting due reward for their efforts. Similarly, prices of *Taramira*, *Toria* and gram are also falling. Mustard crop has reached the market. If the Government does not take any action in this regard, it will adversely affect the farmers, and their economic condition will further worsen.

Therefore, it is my submission to the hon. Agriculture Minister that the minimum price of mustard should be fixed at Rs. 1000 per quintal so that it is not sold at a cost lower than the actual cost of production in the market.

[*English*]

(iv) Need to Open a T.V. Centre at Bhanjanagar (Orissa)

SHRI SOMNATH RATH (Aska): A television Centre was to be opened at Bhanjanagar, Orissa, as per the decision of the Government. The building in the local B.Ed College was remodelled to facilitate opening of the T.V. Centre as per the suggestion and decisions of the T.V. engineers. Some centres for which permission has been given much after Bhanjanagar have already been opened. The apparatus obtained for T.V. Centre at Bhanjanagar has been diverted.

The people of Bhanjanagar and its adjoining areas have been holding high hopes as decision for a T.V. Centre at Bhanjanagar was made known long back. There is now no

reason to thwart the long cherished desire of the people of the area.

Monsoon as usual will break out in the second week of June. It is thus imperative that the T.V. Centre is opened at Bhanjanagar without any delay.

Bhanjanagar is the nucleus of Chumsur Sub-division in the State of Orissa. The opening of a T.V. Centre at Bhanjanagar thus needs no emphasis.

It is requested that a specific date for opening a T.V. Centre at Bhanjanagar be made known immediately.

(v) Need to start 'Light and sound programme on the life of Sita in Madhubani, Darbhanga and Sitamarhi in Mithila region of Bihar.

DR. G.S. RAJHANS (Jhanjharpur): Mithila in North Bihar is the birth place of Sita. Sita has a special place in Indian history. Here is the story of sacrifice, the like of which is not found anywhere in the world.

The present generation of youngmen are not aware of the full life history of Sita.

Thousands of pilgrims from India and abroad visit Mithila every year. In order to acquaint the people with the life of Sita, it is requested that Sound and Light programme, the like of which is shown at Red Fort and Nehru Museum be shown at least at three places in Mithila, i.e. Madhubani, Darbhanga and Sitamarhi.

It is earnestly requested that the Union Government should take initiative and exhibit these shown in Mithila.

[*Translation*]

(vi) Need for immediate Steps for providing drinking water in the districts of South-East Rajasthan which have been badly affected by drought

PROF NIRMALA KUMARI SHAKTAWAT (Chittorgarh) Sir, there is acute scar-