

13.05 1/2 hrs.

RE: DISCUSSION ON JAWAHAR
ROZGAR YOJANA*[English]*

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P. NAMGYAL): Sir, we have a long list of speakers to speak on Jawahar Rozgar Yojana. If you permit, Sir, we will sit through the Lunch and continue the business.

MR. SPEAKER: If that is the will of the House, I have no objection.

SEVERAL HON. MEMBERS: Yes, we can sit through the Lunch

MR. SPEAKER: Then, it is all right.

Now, matters under Rule 377.

13.06 hrs.

MATTERS UNDER RULE 377

[English]

- (i) **Demand for extension of the Dhauli Express train upto Puri and provision of another direct train from south India to Puri**

SHRI BRAJAMOHAN MOHANTI (Puri): Puri Town in the district of Puri, Orissa, is a famous place of Hindu, Buddhist and Sikh pilgrimage. The temple of Lord Jagannath attracts thousands of people from all over the country to visit the place. Besides, it is a centre of Indian culture from times immemorial. Adi Sankaracharya, Ramanujam, Chaitanyadeb, Ballavachari, all the saints

and philosophers have visited the State and have established their monastery to propagate their ideas. On account of the most beautiful sea coast it attracts international tourists in large numbers to visit the place and Konark, which is only 25 kilometres away from Puri. The first rail line was constructed in Orissa to meet the needs of passenger traffic to Puri throughout the year and particularly during Car Festival.

13.07 hrs.

[MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER in the Chair]

Now, the State has no adequate rail communication. Dhauli Express running from Howrah to Bhubaneswar is required to be extended upto Puri and another direct train from South India to Puri is required to meet the need of the pilgrims and tourists coming from South India.

I request the Railway Minister to consider the matter and be pleased to take up appropriate steps to do the needful at the earliest.

- (ii) **Demand for funds from Central Government for construction of roads in Arunachal Pradesh**

SHRI WANGPHA LOWANG (Arunachal Pradesh): Arunachal Pradesh with an area of about 84,000 sq. km is the biggest among the North Eastern States of India. Although the population is less, the area is very vast. It is a mountainous State covering thousands of kilometres spreading on the entire north eastern frontier of the country bordering China and Burma. It is therefore, necessary that the roads in Arunachal Pradesh should be maintained properly from all the time not only for development of this backward State, but also for keeping vigil on the sensitive international border.

Arunachal Pradesh being a newly emerging and economically backward State, it is difficult to meet the huge expenditure involved in construction and maintenance of