

a result of drought. Most of the people in this region live on the income from cattle. Today they have lost their chief means of livelihood.

In this situation, I would request the Central Government to declare these two taluks as drought affected areas and take immediate steps to provide relief to the people.

(ii) Need to improve the conditions of hospitals in Delhi and open two new hospitals.

SHRI JAI PRAKASH AGARWAL (Chandni Chowk) : Mr. Speaker, Sir, I want to draw the attention of the House towards inadequacy and miserable conditions of the hospitals in the Capital of India.

It has been a long time since Delhi was made the capital of the country. There was a time when its population was confined only to the walled city area of Delhi and there were few hospitals. Later, New Delhi came into existence and along with it some hospitals also. After the independence, the patients have been getting top facilities of world standard in the All India Institute of Medical Sciences. But the question arises whether these facilities are adequate.

The population of Delhi has increased manifold now, but the number of hospitals remain inadequate. There has been some expansion in Hindu Rao, Jai Prakash Narayan hospitals etc. but are these hospitals adequate to meet the needs of the increasing population of the Capital ?

Also, the maintenance of these hospitals is very important. Due to lack of the common facilities, sanitation, beds etc., the problems are constantly on the increase.

I suggest that the Government should look into this immediately and one hospital each in Chandni Chowk area and trans-Yamuna Colonies should be opened immediately. If it is not done, then the number of quacks, and nursing homes which are costly will further increase in the capital.

(iii) Need to provide adequate funds for constructing railway lines in Uttar Pradesh.

SHRI HARISH RAWAT (Almora) : Mr. Speaker, Sir, in the matter of survey and construction of new railway lines the Eastern Railway has always been neglecting Uttar Pradesh. The glaring examples of this discrimination are (1) the slow work going on in converting the Moradabad-Ramnagar meter-gauge railway line into a broad-gauge line which connects a very large part of Uttar Pradesh into a broad-gauge line, (2) not starting the construction of Rampur-Kathgodam broad-gauge line survey for which had been completed many years back ; (3) Non provision of adequate funds for survey of Tanakpur Ghat-Bageshwar railway line and (4) Non-conversion of Kathgodam-Pilibhit-Lucknow narrow-gauge line into broad-gauge line.

I, therefore, urge the hon. Transport Minister to start immediately, the above mentioned works and provide necessary funds during this plan period.

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(iv) Need to set up TV relay Station on Horsley Hills and Palakonda Hills in Andhra Pradesh.

SHRI K. RAMA CHANDRA REDDY (Hindupur) : The districts of Anantapur, Cuddapah and Chittoor are served very poorly as far as Doordarshan Transmitters are concerned. The people of these areas are not able to witness the National Programme on T.V. There are two places of very high altitude in these districts.

Horsely Hills in Chittoor District is at a considerable altitude and situated in between the districts of Chittoor and Anantapur. Palakonda hill in between Kadiri and Palivendula is situated at a very high altitude and this is situated in between Cuddapah and Anantapur districts. If T.V. relay centres are set up on Horsely Hills and on Palakonda Hills it will cater to the needs of three districts, namely, Anantapur, Cuddapah and Chittoor districts. So, the