

for approval of Union Planning Commission but its clearance is still awaited. The excavation work of these projects was done under famine relief scheme. Funds have not been allocated by the Planning Commission for these two lift projects despite repeated requests from Rajasthan Government.

The Kolayat and Gajner Lift Schemes will bring under irrigation nearly four lakh acres of land which is plain and most fertile. This area has a large livestock and sufficient milk production, which is supplied to Delhi also.

The water lifted by these two Lift projects will be supplied to Bikaner and Nagaur districts which will result in bumper production and development of a vast area.

I, therefore, request the Union Government to get these two projects cleared by the Planning Commission and allocate adequate funds for them.

**(iv) Need to set up Lift at Janjgir or Champa Town in Bilaspur district, Madhya Pradesh.**

**Shri Bhawani Lal Verma (Janjgir)** Sir, Janjgir-Naila and Champa, two towns of Bilaspur district of Madhya Pradesh are located within a radius of ten kilometres. They have a population of about 30 thousand each and are the major industrial and trade centres of the region. A number of central and state administrative offices, railway junction and education centres are also located there. There is a long standing demand for setting up low-power transmission TV centres in these two towns. A relay centre is already located at Bilaspur at nearly 50 kilometres away but, it is not fully catering to the need of 40 lakh strong population of the district.

The Central Government are, therefore, requested to take immediate steps for opening a low-power TV relay centre at one of these two towns.

**(v) Need to introduce New Trains between Delhi and Lucknow Via Bulandshahar.**

**Dr. Chhatrapal Singh (Bulandshahar)** Mr Deputy Speaker, Sir, my Parliamentary Constituency, Bulandshahar, is an area in the country where adequate rail facilities are not available to the people. No direct train service is available to them for Delhi or for State capital Lucknow in spite of the fact that it is a commercially developed area and is predominantly an agriculture district.

I, therefore, request the Railway Minister to initiate steps to introduce a new train service between Delhi and Lucknow via Bulandshahar to meet the aspirations of the people of this area.

**(vi) Need to Provide Stoppage of 3307/3308 Kisan Express at Kanth in Moradabad District, Uttar Pradesh.**

**Shri Chetan P.S. Chauhan (Amroha)** Mr Deputy

Speaker, Sir, Kanth is a major town of Moradabad district having a population of nearly 40 thousand. It is also a major railway station and is situated on Saharanpur-Calcutta main railway line. A cement factory and a sugar mill are located there and it is a major centre of Khandisan, sugar and gur.

There is a long standing demand for providing a stoppage of 3307/3308 Kisan Express at this place. No up or down train stops here between 6.00 p.m. and 10 a.m. Some trains stop there but only during the day and no train is available there after 6 p.m. because of which the passengers intending to go to and come from Saharanpur and Moradabad face considerable difficulty.

I have written several times to the Railway Minister and railway authorities.

The people who go to Moradabad for service and business face great inconvenience in returning to their homes. In the absence of train service, they are forced to travel by buses and tempos which entails more time and expenditure.

I, therefore, request the Railway Minister to issue orders for stoppage of 3307/3308 Kisan Express at Kanth railway station in Moradabad district to provide relief to the local passengers.

**(vii) Need to provide adequate Irrigational Facilities in St. Dominated Area of Kodarma (Bihar) so as to prevent drought.**

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**Dr. Mumtaz Ansari (Kodarma)** Sir, so far as South Bihar is concerned the lands are dry in absence of sufficient irrigational facilities. The entire South Bihar depends upon vagaries of monsoon. If monsoon is good and favourable, the harvest is also good, if monsoon fails, the harvest also fails and the people face a state of starvation. Drought and famine generally looms large over this area.

Kodarma is located in three districts namely, Hazaribagh, Kodarma and Giridih. There is complete dearth of irrigational water and generally the people use traditional methods, e.g. ponds, well, etc. as the means of irrigation which are entirely insufficient.

Therefore, I request the Central Government to provide proper, adequate and permanent irrigational facilities in this area of the country where large number of poor and ST people reside, after making proper survey and study in this respect.

**(viii) Need to reintroduce Quota System for allotment of kerosene and wax to the Industrialists in Erode of Periyar District, Tamilnadu.**

**Dr. (Shrimati) K.S. Soundaram (Tiruchengode)** Sir, there are 2000 employees working in Batik, Screen Printing Industry in Erode, Periyar District in Tamilnadu.