12.35 hours.

(MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER in the Chair).

The drought situation is much severe in the Adivasi areas. My submission to the Centre Government is that the State Govemment should be given more grant as special assistance and the State Government should be asked to increase the number of the workers in the Adivasi areas. The drought relief work should be started in the panchayats, where they are going for namesake and more labourers should be deployed. There is a severe problem of drinking water so more and more hand pumps should be installed. Likewise, in each panchayat headquarters the fodder depots for animals should be opened. The wages of the labourers should be increased to stop their migration from Rajasthan.

(iii) Need to set up a Heavy Industry at Saharsa in Bihar

SHRI SURYANARAYAN YADAV (Saharsa): Sir, Saharsa and Sapaul districts in Northern Bihar are the most backward districts. Though Saharsa is in commissionery area the Central Government has not set up any industry here, till date and as a result both the Saharsa and Sapaul districts have not made any progress. Besides the educated persons from this area have to go to other districts and other States in search of employment.

Therefore, my submission to the Centre Government is that a heavy industry should be set up in Saharsa so that the poor may not have to run for jobs elsewhere and this district can make all around development.

(iv) Need for construction of an overbridge Across Railway Line at Mandi Samiti Sthal in Pilibhit, Uttar Pradesh

DR. P.R. GANGWAR (Pilibhit): Sir, my constituency, Pilibhit (Uttar Pradesh) is badly affected by terrorism. There are six sugar mills, some oil extracting mills and many rice mills. Thousands of trucks and bullock carts pass from here every day. Being a forest area, there are lot of trucks carrying timber throughout the day. Moreover, as the Nepal border is close to this area the military movement is continuous.

There are two main railway tracks. One is from Lucknow to Bareilly and the other is Lucknow to Nainital and there are two branch railway lines from Pilibhit to Tanakpur and Pilibhit to Shahajahanpur. 24 trains run on main lines and 20 trains run on branch lines. Apart from that a number of goods train run here round the clock. Most of the trains run in day time while during that period there is lot of road traffic. The railway crossing on the main road (which connects Delhi, Lucknow, Nainital, Bareilly, Moradabad, Tanakpur and Shahajahanpur) remains closed for a considerable period in the day. The long queue and motorcars result in heavy traffic jam. The people have to face lot of problems. My submission to the Government is that an overbridge across the railway line at Mandi Samiti Sthal at Pilibhit should be constructed at the earliest to solve the difficulties of the people of the area.

[English]

(v) Need to clear the Proposal of the Government of Rajasthan for Delcaration for certain State Roads as National Highways

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