

Regulating the market price of cotton yarn by other means like de-handling and preventing black marketing will help to stabilise the yarn price. If the rise in cotton yarn price is not controlled, more number of powerlooms in the country will become idle. In Tamil Nadu, thousands of employees depending on these sectors and also on the dyeing and processing units will lose their jobs.

I, therefore, urge upon the Central Government to take urgent steps to check the prices of cotton yarn in the country.

(vi) Need to Allocate Sufficient Funds for Doubling of National Highway between Nalamangala and Tumkur in Karnataka

SHRI C.P. MUDALA GIRIYAPPA (Chitradurga): The National Highway which connects Bangalore and Tumkur continues towards the northern part of Karnataka linking many important towns and cities including the historical town, Chitradurga. This National Highway is one of the most important Highways in the country. The traffic density on this road is the highest in South India. There is a proposal to make this Highway a double road between Bangalore and Tumkur as the number of accidents is increasing day by day on this road. The doubling of the road has been completed between Bangalore and Nalamangala but between Nalamangala and Tumkur there is no progress. In spite of our repeated requests, sufficient funds have not been allocated for completing this long pending work. Government employees, students studying in various educational institutions, businessmen and many others are completely dependant on this

road. It is also essential to check the accidents to save the precious lives of the people.

I, therefore, urge upon the Hon. Minister of Surface Transport to look into this matter on top priority and to allocate sufficient funds in the financial year 1994-95 for completion of this work.

(vii) Need to ensure Disturbance Free Relay of Programmes from Mumbai Doordarshan

[Translation]

DR. GUNVANT RAMBHAU SARODE (Jalgaon): Mr. Speaker, Sir, Doordarshan has set up a LPT at Jalgaon, through which the people of this area can see relay programmes from Delhi along with Marathi programmes on Mumbai Doordarshan. But due to technical snag, the local people are unable to watch the programmes being relayed from Mumbai, clearly. As soon as the programmes on Delhi Doordarshan starts the telecast becomes clear.

I, therefore, request the Union Government that the technical snag should be removed immediately so that the people of Jalgaon should be able to watch the programmes being relayed from Mumbai Doordarshan.