

that should be provided to a larger section of people so that the firewood is spared and the denudation of forests is stopped. All the municipalities in the country are not covered by retail outlets of L.P.G. on the plea that the subsidy allowed on the L.P.G. is mounting beyond the capacity of the budgetary provision. In my Parliamentary Constituency, Srikakulam, Andhra Pradesh, there is one Municipality called Amadalavalsa, which is deprived of L.P.G. supply agency. The residents of this Municipality having a population of more than 50,000 have to register and get their L.P.G. from the District Headquarters, Srikakulam.

I, therefore, urge upon the Central Government especially the Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas to accord permission for setting up an L.P.G. outlet at Amadalavalsa so that more families could be supplied L.P.G. for cooking purpose.

(ii) Need to double railway line between Mangalore and Shoranur.

**SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAM-CHANDRAN**

(Connanore): With the Konkan Railway line nearing completion, it is essential for the Railways to decide upon the need to increase number of trains between Mangalore and the Southern Districts of Kerala and also upon the urgency of doubling the line between Mangalore and Shoranur. Without these additional facilities the Konkan Project will serve no purpose for the State of Kerala and catering to increased passenger and freight traffic will be impossible. I, therefore, request the

hon. Minister of Railways to give this sector his urgent attention to ensure expansion work at the earliest.

(iii) Need to Set up a Navodaya Vidyalaya in Chhota Udaipur Parliamentary Constituency in Gujarat. [*Translation*]

**SHRI N.J. RATHVA** (Chhota Udaipur): Mr. Speaker Sir, The Central Government is setting up Navodaya Vidyalayas in the backward and Adivasi areas on priority basis. My constituency Chhota Udaipur which is a Adivasi and backward area falls in the Vadodara district of Gujarat. But till now, no Navodaya Vidyalaya has been set up in the Vadodara district as a result of which children belonging to Adivasis and poor people of this district are not getting any benefit from this scheme.

So I request the Central Government to set up Navodaya Vidyalaya in Vadodara district which is an Adivasi dominated area, during the Eighth five year plan so that the adivasi and poor students of Chhota Udaipur may also acquire good education from this scheme.

(iv) Need to set up a low power T.V. Transmitter at Maratandom Tamil Nadu.

[*English*]

**SHRI N. DENNIS** (Nagarcoil): The people of the northern part of Kanyakumari District of Tamil Nadu having a population of about five lakhs are not getting

the opportunity of viewing regional news in Tamil language. There is a low power T.V. transmitter at Nagercoil. As T.V. transmitter there covers a short distance, the people of Martandom area of Kanyakumari District fail to view regional news in Tamil. There has been a long standing demand of the people of this area to install a low power T.V. transmitter at Martandom area.

I, therefore, urge upon the Central Government to install a low power transmitter at Martandom to cover the areas of northern parts of Kanyakumari District.

**(v) Need to upgrade Jamnagar city in Gujarat to B-2 Grade.**

[*Translation*]

**SHRI CHANDRESH PATEL** (Jamnagar) : Mr. Speaker, Sir, recently some cities were upgraded to B-1, B-2 grades, but Gujarat is yet to be upgraded to B-2 grade, as a result of which, widespread resentment is growing among the residents of the entire Jamnagar area.

The population of Jamnagar is more than four lakhs. In 1989, as a special case Gujarat had been upgraded to B-2 grade for the purpose of CCA. However, it has not been upgraded so far for the purpose of HRA because it has been reported that as per the census report of 1991, the population of Jamnagar is about three lakh seventy five thousand but these figures are not correct. While arriving at these figures, about fifty thousand de-

fence personnel working in Jamnagar, have not been included and similarly, about thirty five thousand people residing in the adjoining villages of Jamnagar have also not been included in these figures.

The collector of Jamnagar has also represented this fact that these two figures have not been included in the census. The Government is supplying all food items including ration, vegetables and fruits to the three wings of Defence and the Central Government has also been informed in this regard but no action has been taken so far. Therefore, the Central Government is requested to upgrade Jamnagar to B-2 Grade at the earliest.

**(vi) Need to provide more funds to Madhya Pradesh Government for setting up of Power Projects.**

**SHRI SATYNARAYAN JATIYA** (Ujjain): Necessary steps should be taken to expand the irrigation facilities in Madhya Pradesh. To achieve this objective, apart from completing the construction work of the new dams at the earliest, there is a need to bring about improvement in the supply of electricity for irrigation purposes. Due to the erratic power supply, the farmers are facing lot of difficulties and steps should be taken to ensure supply of power to the farmers in the day time only. Special steps are needed in Madhya Pradesh for construction of new power stations to meet the power demand. For this purpose, clearance