

other than steel sector and expected to give a significant boost to the economy of the State as well as to employment.

I therefore, request the Government to clear the down-stream project for Naptha Cracker at the earliest.

**(iii) Need to appoint a high power committee for suggesting special provisions to ensure all-round development of Vidarbha region.**

**SHRI VILAS MUTTEMWAR** (Chimur) : The people of Vidarbha have even sacrificed their own material political stability in the country and have even sacrificed their own material interests for that even after the Fazal ali Commission recommended a full fledged Statehood for Vidarbha.

The assurances repeatedly given to us by the central leadership have however been forgotten. The region continues to be neglected in every sphere of economic development including agriculture, industry, communication and the rest.

Severe droughts affect our region every alternate year while our rivers remain virgin and untapped. No allocation of funds has been made to implement prominent Indira Sagar Project on Wainganga River which will pave the new ways of prosperity.

We must the Integral Coach Factory

to be located at Wardha. The gas pipe line from Bombay High up north detours Vidarbha. No additional trains to New Delhi and Bombay from Nagpur directly are in sight in spite of a three-year old commitment from the Railway Ministry. Nor is Chandrapur Gondia-Jabalpur narrow-gauge converted into a broad-gauge one.

Nagpur city is waiting for its Sonegaon Airport to be converted into an international one. Gadchiroli, one of the most backward of all districts in the country and the only no-industry district in Maharashtra remains without any industry.

The Manas Gowaries and Halbas among the tribals are deprived of their tribal status and of all facilities that they enjoyed earlier.

I, therefore, appeal to the Prime Minister on behalf of the people of Vidarbha to appoint a high-power committee for formulating special provisions to ensure an all round development of Vidarbha without delay.

**(iv) Need to install electronic telephone exchange at Bareilly during the current year.**

[Translation]

**SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR** : Sir, Bareilly is an important city of Uttar Pradesh. The Central