

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes, because the time is up.

SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR: There is need for a legal and organizational framework in the Ministry. Sir, I believe that the technology is running far ahead of our laws and our ability to regulate. Therefore, I draw the attention of the Government for the need to intervene to ensure that these algorithms are. ...*(Interruptions)*...

SHRI SWAPAN DASGUPTA (Nominated): Sir, I would like to associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Please. ...*(Interruptions)*... Others will say the same thing about you, when you cross the time. I am there to take care. You do not worry. Now, Shri Sasmit Patra.

#### **Need to declare the States hit by major calamities as "Special Focus States"**

SHRI SASMIT PATRA (Odisha): Hon. Chairman, Sir, I rise to speak about a specific issue which is extremely crucial. The natural calamities are under the governance of no Government. In Odisha, recently, we had the cyclone "FANI" which has actually destroyed millions of trees; has destroyed about 5.6 lakh houses and has caused large scale damage to public property.

Therefore, Sir, as you know and as you are from Andhra Pradesh and I am from Odisha, we are vulnerable to these kinds of geo-climatic changes that take place. Sir, about 35 per cent of the cyclones and natural calamities have actually hit Odisha between 1900 and 2019.

Considering this, Sir, the hon. Chief Minister of Odisha had requested the Union Government to actually provide special focus status to States like Odisha, Andhra Pradesh and other States where such natural calamities actually take place. Therefore, there is a necessity to provide more funds at a ratio of 90:10; 90 being from the Centre and 10 from the States on the same lines as that of Special Category Status in order to ensure that those States which are regularly having to undergo this kind of a problem are able to undertake appropriate relief and restoration measures.

Apart from this, Sir, there is also a suggestion that States like Odisha also need Special Category Status. At the moment, the Special Category Status does not allow for a natural calamity because that proviso is not there.

Therefore, Sir, I would also like to request, through you, to the Government to allow natural calamity as a special proviso to be added into the Special Category Status

which will enable States like Odisha, Andhra Pradesh and other States across the country to actually provide for appropriate relief and restoration work in the event of such natural calamities. Thank you, Sir.

श्री हुसैन दलवाई (महाराष्ट्र): महोदय, मैं भी स्वयं को इस विषय के साथ संबद्ध करता हूँ।

श्रीमती सरोजिनी हेम्वरम (ओडिशा): महोदय, मैं भी स्वयं को इस विषय के साथ संबद्ध करती हूँ।

श्री रवि प्रकाश वर्मा (उत्तर प्रदेश): महोदय, मैं भी स्वयं को इस विषय के साथ संबद्ध करता हूँ।

SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA (Tamil Nadu): Sir, I would also like to associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

SHRI D. RAJA (Tamil Nadu): Sir, I would also like to associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

SHRI ELAMARAM KAREEM (Kerala): Sir, I would also like to associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

SHRI AMAR PATNAIK (Odisha): Sir, I would also like to associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

DR. SANTANU SEN (West Bengal): Sir, I would also like to associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

SHRI ABIR RANJAN BISWAS (West Bengal): Sir, I would also like to associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

SHRI RITABRATA BANERJEE (West Bengal): Sir, I would also like to associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

SHRIMATI SHANTA CHHETRI (West Bengal): Sir, I would also like to associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

SHRI BHASKAR RAO NEKKANTI (Odisha): Sir, I would also like to associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD (Karnataka): Sir, I would also like to associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

SHRI K.K. RAGESH (Kerala): Sir, I would also like to associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

SHRI SUKHENDU SEKHAR RAY (West Bengal): Sir, I would also like to associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

SHRI AHAMED HASSAN (West Bengal): Sir, I would also like to associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

SHRIMATI VIJILA SATHYANANTH (Tamil Nadu): Sir, I would also like to associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

SHRI PRASHANTA NANDA (Odisha): Sir, I would also like to associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

SHRIMATI JAYA BACHCHAN (Uttar Pradesh): Sir, I would also like to associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

SHRI MANAS RANJAN BHUNIA (West Bengal): Sir, I would also like to associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

SHRI K. SOMAPRASAD (Kerala): Sir, I would also like to associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

SHRI BINOY VISWAM (KERALA): Sir, I would also like to associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Sir, we would also like to associate ourselves with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

MR. CHAIRMAN: All the people who have raised their hands have to send a slip also. Now, Shri Gopal Narayan Singh.

**Pathetic condition of National Highway No. 2 from Varanasi to  
Aurangabad section**

श्री गोपाल नारायण सिंह (बिहार): सभापति महोदय, मुझे समय देने के लिए आपका धन्यवाद। राष्ट्रीय उच्च पथ-2, जो बनारस से गया तक जाता है, उस पर लगातार तीन साल से 6 लेन का काम हो रहा है, जो अधूरा पड़ा हुआ है। उस पर कम से कम 1200 फ्लाईओवर हैं। जो ब्रिज बनकर तैयार हैं, उनके अप्रोचेज़ नहीं बन रहे हैं। साथ-साथ सोन से लेकर छोटी-बड़ी चार नदियां पड़ती हैं, उनके पुल भी नहीं बने हैं, जबकि उस रोड पर प्रतिदिन 30 से 40 हजार गाड़ियों का ट्रैफिक रहता है। जब सोन की बालू यू.पी. में आती है, उस समय उस रोड पर बहुत ज्यादा प्रेशर बढ़ जाता है, जिसके चलते रोड पर तीन-तीन, चार-चार घण्टे जाम लगा रहता है। डेहरी, सासाराम और औरंगाबाद से बनारस आने के लिए डेढ़ घण्टे का समय लगता है, उसमें तीन-तीन घण्टे का समय लगता है और एक दिन नहीं, बल्कि लगातार ऐसा होता है। जो फ्लाईओवर