SPECIAL MENTIONS*

Demand to establish a Central University at Ratnagiri in
Konkan region of Maharashtra

SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI (Maharashtra): Konkan is a flourishing zone in Maharashtra. Much of Konkan's development is halted due to lack of good educational infrastructure. There has been a long-pending demand for setting up a Central University, as the Konkan flock has put it as their highest requirement.

The lack of a Central University can be better understood by all citizens who wish to pursue their dreams to be well-versed and well-read. For students studying in Sawantwadi in Konkan, the Mumbai University is almost 650 kilometres away and it is difficult for them to travel that far for any study.

The plan of bifurcating Mumbai University has, in the past, been discussed many times. The Konkan Region has 83 colleges from Sindhudurg and Ratnagiri, over which Mumbai University has jurisdiction as they are affiliated to the Mumbai University.

It is also vital to have better professors assigned to this university who can take it upon themselves to nourish young minds. A well-endowed library should be the least of the demands that one can ask for.

The focus would be on bettering the quality of education, building infrastructure and increasing the skills of teachers.

The educational infrastructure is a crucial step towards evolving good and responsible citizens. I request for a Central University in Ratnagiri. It will prove to be a boon for all students and education-aspirants alike.

Demand to include contribution of renowned personalities of freedom
struggle and social upliftment in educational curriculum

डा. सत्यनारायण जटिया (मध्य प्रदेश): ** महोदय, देश की स्वतंत्रता और समाज की सुस्थिति के लिए जिन-जिन महापुरुषों ने अपना महत्वपूर्ण योगदान राष्ट्र निर्माण में दिया है, उनकी स्मृति को शाश्वत प्रेरणा बनाने के लिए उसकी जानकारी जनसामान्य को देने के साथ ही वर्तमान संतति को, छात्रों को, युवाओं को उनके शिक्षण के दौरान देने की आवश्यकता है।

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** Hindi translation of the original speech made in Sanskrit.