

Considering the importance of radio as an effective and affordable medium to everybody and Tamil transmission services being made from strategically located AIR, New Delhi, I urge the Government to take immediate steps to resume Tamil Services of External Services of All India Radio from New Delhi.

DR. SASMIT PATRA (Odisha): Sir, I associate myself with the Special Mention made by Shri A. Vijayakumar.

SHRI A. MOHAMMEDJAN (Tamil Nadu): Sir, I also associate myself with the Special Mention made by Shri A. Vijayakumar.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Resumption of transmission of Tamil Services of External Service Division of All India Radio: Prakashji, the Minister is there and he is taking note.

**Demand to include nine communities of the State of Odisha in the list of
Scheduled Tribes**

SHRI BHASKAR RAO NEKKANTI (Odisha): Sir, nine communities of Odisha, namely, Konda Reddy, Mooka Dora, Paharia (Kamar), Dhurava, Dhurua, Durua, Kui (Kandha), Jhodia, Odiya Kandha have been demanding for their inclusion in the Scheduled Tribe list for many decades.

The State Government of Odisha had already submitted the lists of Scheduled Tribe Communities to the Government of India from time to time for their inclusion. Shri Naveen Patnaik, hon. Chief Minister of Odisha had submitted a letter on 30th May, 2011, and, subsequently, on 3rd November, 2012 for inclusion of the Scheduled Tribes from Odisha. It is a long-standing demand of these poor tribal communities.

Sir, the State of Odisha is unique to have 62 tribes including 13 particularly vulnerable tribal groups each with its own way of life. The State of Odisha has always held the development of tribal areas and the welfare of tribal people, preservation and promotion of their cultural heritage.

Sir, the task force constituted by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Government of India in 2014 has specially recommended for including these communities in the Scheduled Tribe list.

Sir, through you, I request the Government of India to take immediate action for their inclusion.

DR. SASMIT PATRA (Odisha): Sir, I associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

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

SHRI SUJEET KUMAR (Odisha): Sir, I also associate myself with the matter raised by the hon. Member.

श्री सभापति: आप हिन्दी बोल रहे हैं।

श्री भास्कर राव नेक्कान्ति (ओडिशा): मैं तेलुगु, हिन्दी और उड़िया बोल लेता हूँ।

श्री सभापति: अच्छा तेलुगू, हिन्दी, उड़िया और अंग्रेज़ी, ठीक है।

**Demand to include State specific crops within the ambit of the
Minimum Support Price**

SHRI K.C. VENUGOPAL (Rajasthan): Sir, the Central Government is requested for inclusion of State specific crops within the ambit of Minimum Support Price and declare the Minimum Support Price of these crops. State specific crops like cluster bean, moth, cowpea, cumin, coriander, garlic, castor, aloe vera and mehendi should be included within the ambit of the MSP. Rajasthan is a leading State in the area and production of these crops. Also, these crops are main crops in many districts of Rajasthan.

DR. AMAR PATNAIK (Odisha): Sir, I associate myself with the Special Mention made by Shri K.C. Venugopal.

SHRI BHASKAR RAO NEKKANTI (Odisha): Sir, I also associate myself with the Special Mention made by Shri K.C. Venugopal.

SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD (Uttar Pradesh): Sir, I also associate myself with the Special Mention made by Shri K.C. Venugopal.

SHRI RAJMANI PATEL (Madhya Pradesh): I also associate myself with the Special Mention made by Shri K.C. Venugopal.

DR. SASMIT PATRA (Odisha): I also associate myself with the Special Mention made by Shri K.C. Venugopal.