

भारत में केवल पश्चिमी बंगाल में चाय का प्रॉडक्शन नहीं होता है, बल्कि और स्टेट्स में भी होता है, जहाँ मजदूरों को ये सुविधाएं नहीं मिलती हैं। मैं आपके माध्यम से इस मैटर को संशोधित करने के लिए कह रहा हूँ एवं मंत्रालय से भी कह रहा हूँ कि इस मैटर को जल्द से जल्द ठीक किया जाए ताकि चाय श्रमिकों को इसकी सुविधा मिले। सभापति जी, आपका बहुत-बहुत धन्यवाद, जय हिंद, जय माँ, माटी, मानुष।

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: The following hon. Members associated themselves with the matter raised by the hon. Member, Shri Prakash Chik Baraik: Dr. Fauzia Khan (Maharashtra), Shri Jawhar Sircar (West Bengal), Shri Sandosh Kumar P. (Kerala), Shri P. Wilson (Tamil Nadu), Shri Mohammed Nadimul Haque (West Bengal), Ms. Dola Sen (West Bengal), Dr. V. Sivadasan (Kerala), Shri Niranjan Bishi (Odisha), Dr. Sasmit Patra (Odisha), Dr. Santanu Sen (West Bengal), Shri Abir Ranjan Biswas (West Bengal), Dr. Amar Patnaik (Odisha), Dr. Kanimozhi NVN Somu Dr. John Brittas (Kerala) and Shri M. Mohamed Abdulla (Tamil Nadu).

प्रकाश चिक बाराईक जी, आपका बहुत-बहुत धन्यवाद। माननीय डा. अमर पटनायक, 'Demand for setting up an Indian Maritime University Campus in Odisha'.

DR. AMAR PATNAIK (Odisha): Sir, I am speaking in Odia.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Please.

Demand for setting up an Indian Maritime University Campus in Odisha

DR. AMAR PATNAIK (Odisha): Sir, I am speaking in Odia. It relates to our demand to the Central Government to establish an Indian Maritime University campus in Odisha.

*"Sir, the Indian Maritime University was established under the Indian Maritime University Act, 2008. The University was established to facilitate and promote maritime studies and research, and to achieve excellence in areas of marine science and technology, marine environment and other related fields. It has six campuses in Chennai, Kochi, Kolkata, Mumbai port, Navi Mumbai and Visakhapatnam. These three campuses are doing good work. Odisha has a vast coastline of 480 kilometers. This coastline has many ports and land has been earmarked for fourteen more ports. Odisha has a rich and acclaimed maritime history. In ancient times, Odisha had overseas trade relations with many South Asian countries. Sir, the hon. Prime

* English translation of the original speech delivered in Odia.

Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi had mentioned the Baliyatra (voyage to Bali) during his address to the people in Bali and lauded its rich tradition. Odisha was well known for her navy. It not only advanced its economic interests but also had large cultural impact on nations like Sri Lanka, Thailand and Brunei during its overseas trade relations with them. In addition to having a vast coastline, Odisha is rich in natural resources and has the potential to become a hub for mineral transportation. In addition to that, if the Skill development programmes could be linked to that then, a large number of people could be trained, which in turn would create huge employment opportunities. At the 3rd meeting of the National Sagarmala Apex Committee (NSAC) held under the Chairmanship of the Union Minister of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, the Odisha Government emphasized and highlighted the importance of economic and cultural development in the overseas trade relationship, and requested the Centre to examine the proposal and help set-up a university for the future development of the maritime sector in Odisha. These will not only further the development of Odisha but *Bharatvarsh* (India) will also get an opportunity to have collaborations and treaties with many international organizations and an integrated corridor can also be created. I, therefore, urge the Centre to establish an exclusive Indian Maritime University campus in Odisha. We have a Maritime Museum, and adding a campus to the whole set-up will expand it manifolds, benefiting the people of the state and our country."

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: The following hon. Members associated themselves with the matter raised by the hon. Member, Dr. Amar Patnaik: Dr. Fauzia Khan (Maharashtra), Shri P. Wilson (Tamil Nadu), Shri Niranjana Bishi (Odisha), Dr. Sasmit Patra (Odisha), Dr. Santanu Sen (West Bengal), Shri Abir Ranjan Biswas (West Bengal), Shrimati Sulata Deo (Odisha), Dr. John Brittas (Kerala), Dr. Kanimozhi NVN Somu and Shri M. Mohamed Abdulla (Tamil Nadu).

Shri Masthan Rao Beeda. 'Need to support and enhance the horticulture sector in Andhra Pradesh'.

Need to support and enhance the Horticulture Sector in Andhra Pradesh

SHRI MASTHAN RAO BEEDA (Andhra Pradesh): Thank you, Mr. Deputy Chairman, Sir, for giving me an opportunity to speak on importance of horticulture in the State of Andhra Pradesh. Sir, Andhra Pradesh was amongst the top States for fruit production during 2021-22, producing approximately 1.8 crore metric tonnes of fruits, as per