

स्थापित किया जाए तो जनपद के विकास के साथ साथ अन्य पूर्वांचल के अन्य जनपदों को भी इसका फायदा मिलेगा।

जनपद चंदौली में सरकारी औद्योगिक पार्क के स्थापना से जनपद चंदौली के आम नागरिकों हेतु रोजगार के सृजन के साथ साथ बहुत सारे उद्योगपतिओं को भी फायदा होगा जो वर्तमान में सरकारी औद्योगिक पार्क उपलब्ध ना होने के कारण दूसरे प्रदेशों में जाते हैं। अतः माननीय मंत्री महोदय आपसे आग्रह है कि जनमानस की मांग एवं रोजगार को ध्यान में रखते हुए जनपद चंदौली में विशाल सरकारी औद्योगिक पार्क स्थापित कराने का विचार करें।

Request to resolve issues related to Jal Jeevan Mission in Odisha

SHRIMATI SULATA DEO (Odisha): Sir, a recent study in Odisha revealed that 40.55 per cent of the surveyed households lack access to safe drinking water. This poses serious health risks and causes waterborne diseases due to contamination. Despite the State Government's BASUDHA Scheme, which aims to provide clean water to both rural and urban areas, there remains a pressing need for increased Central Assistance. The challenges faced by Odisha in implementing the Jal Jeevan Mission deserve compassionate attention and collaborative solutions for the well-being of its residents. The Central Government must investigate and address the challenges hindering the Jal Jeevan Mission in Odisha. Collaboratively, the Union and State Governments can identify areas lacking safe water access and implement tailored schemes. Sir, through you, I urge the Central Government to promptly resolve these issues. Thank you. *Jai Jagannath*.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (DR. SASMIT PATRA): The following hon. Members associated themselves with the Special Mention made by Shrimati Sulata Deo: Dr. Kanimozhi NVN Somu (Tamil Nadu), Shri Niranjana Bishi (Odisha), Shri A.A. Rahim (Kerala), Shri Muzibulla Khan (Odisha), Dr. V. Sivadasan (Kerala), Shri Subhasish Khuntia (Odisha) and Shri M. Mohamed Abdulla (Tamil Nadu).

Demand for direct train services from Pune to Nashik

DR. MEDHA VISHRAM KULKARNI (Maharashtra): Sir, I rise today to draw the attention of this august House to the urgent need for a direct train service between Pune Junction and Nashik, primarily to facilitate the travel of devotees visiting the Kalamandir, a revered temple of Lord Ram in Nashik.

Nashik holds profound significance in Hindu mythology as the place where Lord Ram had spent part of his exile. The Kalamandir attracts thousands of devotees

from across India. However, the absence of a direct train link from Pune, a major urban center, poses significant inconvenience. Currently, travellers from Pune must either change trains at Manmad or rely on bus services to reach Nashik. This indirect route not only extends the journey time but also increases costs and discomfort, especially for elderly devotees and economically weaker sections.

Introducing direct train service between Pune and Nashik would significantly improve access to the Kalamandir, thereby boosting religious tourism in the region. This initiative would reflect the Government's commitment to preserving and promoting India's rich cultural heritage.

Furthermore, establishing this train route would create employment opportunities and spur economic development in the local areas. It would also stand as a testament to the Government's dedication to facilitating the spiritual and cultural journeys of its citizens.

Therefore, I urge hon. Railway Minister to consider the immediate initiation of direct train services from Pune Junction to Nashik. This move would not only meet the needs of the devotees but also underscore the government's commitment to upholding cultural values and ensuring public welfare. Thank you, Sir.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (DR. SASMIT PATRA): The following hon. Members associated themselves with the Special Mention made by Dr. Medha Vishram Kulkarni: Dr. V. Sivadasan (Kerala).

Demand to increase the supply of Fertilizers to Odisha

SHRI NIRANJAN BISHI (Odisha): Sir, fertilizers are integral to sustaining agricultural productivity by supplying essential nutrients crucial for crop growth. Timely availability is imperative for successful agricultural practices as it directly impacts crop quality.

Last year, hon. former Chief Minister of Odisha, Shri Naveen Patnaik ji, formally communicated with the Union Minister of Chemicals and Fertilizers, emphasizing the fertilizer shortage and requested for a larger allocation of Di-ammonium Phosphate (DAP) and Muriate of Potash (MOP).

In response to the fertilizer scarcity, the then Odisha Government led by our former Chief Minister, Shri Naveen Patnaik ji, implemented measures such as the Krushak Assistance of Livelihood and Income Augmentation (KALIA) and BALARAM Scheme, etc., to support the farming community of Odisha. Despite these efforts, the persistent unavailability of fertilizers poses a significant challenge to crop production quality. It is crucial for the Central Government to intervene promptly in