

DR. V. SIVADASAN: Yes, Sir. I am reading the approved text. I do not know I also got confused, Sir. I am reading the text.

The number of conditions covered for assistance should also be expanded and the cap on the maximum possible assistance should be increased. The poorest of the patients often find the process of application very tedious. It should be simplified. Hence, I urge the Government to make these changes urgently so that the poorest of the poor are benefitted.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: The following hon. Members associated themselves with the Special Mention raised by the hon. Member, Dr. V. Sivadasan: Shri A. A. Rahim (Kerala), Shrimati Jebi Mather Hisham (Kerala), Shri Sandosh Kumar P (Kerala), Dr. John Brittas (Kerala) and Shri Jose K. Mani (Kerala).

The next Special Mention is of Shrimati Jebi Mather Hisham; Demand to construct elevated highway between Pulinchodu and Aluva.

**Demand to construct an elevated highway between Pulinchodu, Aluva to
Nedumbassery Airport**

SHRIMATI JEBI MATHER HISHAM (Kerala): Sir, I may bring to the attention of this House, the urgent demand for an elevated Highway between Pulinchodu at Aluva and Kochi international airport at Nedumbassery along NH-544 in Ernakulam District, Kerala. Kochi International Airport is India's one of the fastest growing airports with three terminals and has established itself as one of the busiest airport hubs of the world. The number of passengers who depend on the airport has witnessed an exponential rise over the years. The current road infrastructure is highly insufficient to handle the bustling traffic, comprising of airport-bound passengers and daily commuters. In this context, it may be noted that almost all airports in the metropolitan cities and other major cities in the country have elevated highway access. NH-544 which is the major road leading to the airport, has several bottlenecks which literally strangle the vehicular traffic from Kochi city and back — Aluva bypass junction, Marthanda Varma bridge, Paravur Kavala, Athani are some of the places which witness the worst gridlock. The absence of grade separators and effective signals at major junctions has created traffic bottlenecks. This stretch, not being a part of Panvel-Kanyakumari NH development project, seems to be not in the priority list of NHAI. The proposal for extension of Kochi Metro to the airport was a ray of hope for the commuters, but, it remains still on paper. Hence, I urge the Government to take

immediate steps for the construction of an elevated Highway between Pulinchodu and Kochi International airport.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: The following hon. Members associated themselves with the Special Mention raised by the hon. Member, Shrimati Jebi Mather Hisham: Dr. V. Sivadasan (Kerala), Shri A. A. Rahim (Kerala), Dr. John Brittas (Kerala) and Shri Jose K. Mani (Kerala).

Demand for a rehabilitation package and a long-term solution for peaceful co-existence in Manipur

SHRI MAHARAJA SANAJAOBA LEISHEMBA (Manipur): Sir, it is now evident that the simmering tension in the State is gradually subsiding. Normalcy is inching slowly and there is hope for a peaceful solution in near future. For this, I am grateful to hon. P.M., hon. H.M. and hon. C.M. and his Government for their steadfast, far sightedness, expertise and untiring efforts in bringing a near peaceful solution in the state. However, if the Union Government puts a little more efforts and with timely push, the peace process and resettlements could be quickened. People have suffered enough and they need a respite now.

So, I demand the Union Government for a suitable rehabilitation package, a long-term solution for peaceful co-existence and other necessary arrangement, which deemed fit, to restore the peaceful and glorious past of Manipur.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: The following hon. Members associated themselves with the Special Mention raised by the hon. Member, Shri Maharaja Sanajaoba Leishemba: Shrimati S. Phangnon Konyak (Nagaland) and Dr. Sikander Kumar (Himachal Pradesh).

धन्यवाद, महाराजा संजाओबा लेशंबा जी। माननीय श्री संजय राउत - not present. Now, Shri Irranna Kadadi.

Demand to increase the amount of assistance under the National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP)

श्री ईरण कडाडी (कर्नाटक): महोदय, राष्ट्रीय सामाजिक सहायता कार्यक्रम (एनएसएपी) केंद्रीय प्रायोजित योजना है। राष्ट्रीय सामाजिक सहायता कार्यक्रम 3.09 करोड़ बीपीएल लाभार्थियों की जरूरतों को पूरा करता है। वर्तमान में, गरीबी रेखा से नीचे जीवन यापन करने वाले परिवारों के पात्र वृद्धों, विधवाओं और विकलांग व्यक्तियों को 200 रुपये से लेकर 500 रुपये तक