

**MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN:** The following hon. Members associated themselves with the matter raised by Shri Rameswar Teli: Dr. Fauzia Khan (Maharashtra), Shri Niranjan Bishi (Odisha) and Shri R. Girirajan (Tamil Nadu).

**Demand to expedite the construction work of road connecting Kherwara to Swaroopganj in Rajasthan at NH-927-A**

**श्री चुन्नीलाल गरासिया (राजस्थान):** माननीय उपसभापति जी, मैं आपके माध्यम से राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग 927-ए खेरवाड़ा से स्वरूपगंज के बीच अधूरे पड़े मार्ग के शीघ्र निर्माण की मांग कर रहा हूं। महोदय, मैं आपका ध्यान राजस्थान के उदयपुर संभाग में स्थित आदिवासी क्षेत्र बामनवाड़ा क्षेत्र की एक गंभीर समस्या की ओर आकर्षित करना चाहता हूं। महोदय, भारत सरकार के सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री माननीय नितिन जयराम गडकरी जी ने पूर्व में राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग संख्या 927-ए के निर्माण की घोषणा उदयपुर में की थी, जो स्वरूपगंज, राजस्थान से रतलाम, मध्य प्रदेश तक बनना था। उसका काम अच्छी मंशा से शुरू भी हुआ था और बावलवाड़ा से खेरवाड़ा तक मार्ग बन भी चुका है। परंतु, खेरवाड़ा से लेकर स्वरूपगंज के बीच बावलवाड़ा मंडल पर गरणवास तक लगभग 45 किलोमीटर लंबे मार्ग का काम अभी पूरा नहीं हुआ है, अधूरा पड़ा है, जिसकी वजह से इस मार्ग पर प्रतिदिन सड़क हादसे होते रहते हैं। अब तक इस मार्ग पर कम-से-कम सात अकाल मृत्यु हो चुकी हैं। कई सरकारी कर्मचारी, स्कूली छात्र-छात्राएं, कामकाजी मजदूर, व्यापारी, पर्यटक प्रतिदिन इस मार्ग से गुजरते हैं, जो हमेशा किसी अनहोनी की आशंका में गुजरते हैं। महोदय, मैं आपके माध्यम से भारत सरकार और सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री जी से माँग करता हूं कि इस राजमार्ग संख्या '927ए' पर खेरवाड़ा से लेकर स्वरूपगंज के बीच बावलवाड़ा मंडल पर गरणवास तक जो 45 किलोमीटर मार्ग अधूरा पड़ा है, उसे अतिशीघ्र बनाने का काम कराएं, धन्यवाद।

**MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN:** The following hon. Members associated themselves with the Zero Hour mention made by hon. Member, Shri Chunnilal Garasia: Shri Kesrudevsinh Jhala (Gujarat), Shri Devendra Pratap Singh (Chhattisgarh) and Shri Banshilal Gurjar (Madhya Pradesh).

**Need to address the challenges faced by Small and Micro Enterprises of Goa due to inefficient banking system**

**SHRI SADANAND MHALU SHET TANAVADE (Goa):** Hon. Deputy Chairman, Sir, I rise to draw the attention of this august House to a critical issue affecting Goa's small and micro enterprises, which form the backbone of the State's economy and

employment generation. Despite substantial deposit held by banks in Goa, credit disbursement remains alarmingly low with the Credit-Deposit ratio significantly below the national average. Nationalized banks in Goa are failing to meet lending targets under important Government schemes such as the Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme. Aspiring entrepreneurs and youth are facing challenges such as excessive demands for collateral and guarantors which limit their access to essential credit. Additionally, educational loans are also under disbursed, leaving many students without crucial financial support. This cautious risk-averse approach by banks is affecting Goa's economic growth, limiting job creation and hindering industrial development. While Goa boasts of a robust banking network, it remains inadequate in meeting the financial needs of priority sectors such as tourism, housing, education and agriculture. It is essential for banks in Goa to reassess their approach and improve their credit distribution policies, which could lead to more opportunities for job creation and industrial expansion in Goa.

Hon. Chairman, Sir, timely intervention will empower Goa's small business to flourish, generate employment and contribute significantly to both the State and nation's economy. I request immediate action on this issue and I appeal before the august House for intervention and also for providing solution to the challenges faced by small businesses and individuals in Goa. Thank you.

**MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN:** The following hon. Members associated themselves with the Zero Hour mention made by hon. Member, Shri Sadanand Mhalu Shet Tanavade: Dr. Fauzia Khan (Maharashtra) and Shri R. Girirajan (Tamil Nadu).

### **Need to address the problem of drinking water in India**

**DR. K. LAXMAN (Uttar Pradesh):** Sir, the Indian Government led by hon. Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, has made significant strides in improving drinking water access through initiatives like the Jal Jeevan Mission and Swachh Bharat Abhiyan. The Jal Jeevan Mission launched in 2019 aims to provide tap water to every rural household, which has directly contributed to improving the drinking water in rural areas and overall sanitation health of rural communities. NITI Aayog's Composite Water Management Index reveals that 600 million people in India face high to extreme water stress and more than 21 cities are projected to face severe groundwater depletion by 2030. However, challenges remain.