

A large number of passengers used to travel daily by Moradabad-Sambhal Hatim Sarai Passenger Train via Raja Ka Sahaaspur. Earlier, this train used to undertake three trips daily from both the sides, that is, from Moradabad to Sambhal and from Sambhal to Moradabad. This provided a lot of relief to the local passengers. But, now, this train undertakes only one trip per day from both the sides, and that too in the afternoon hours only.

Passengers find the timings of this train very inconvenient, as they have to leave early in the morning to reach their places of work and they return in the evening after doing the whole day's work.

Earlier, there was a large godown at Sambhal Hatim Sarai Railway Station, which has now been closed by the Railways. It used to earn huge profits for the Railways.

I, therefore, urge upon the Government and the Minister of Railways to increase the number of trips of this passenger train, and its timings of arrival and departure should also be changed appropriately, so that the passengers of this train may utilize its services in the best possible manner.

श्री रमा शंकर कौशिक (उत्तर प्रदेश) : महोदया, मैं अपने को इससे सम्बद्ध करता हूँ।

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Dr. T. Subbarami Reddy, Smt. Kum Kum Rai, Prof. M.M. Agarwal, Shri Motilal Vora and Shri P.K. Maheshwari are absent. Now, Shri C.Perumal.

Need for construction of watersheds in Dharmapuri, Tamil Nadu under DPAP.

SHRI C. PERUMAL (Tamil Nadu): Madam Deputy Chairperson, Dharmapuri District of Tamil Nadu is a drought-prone area. It is facing drought for the third consecutive year. It is an industrially backward district. Most of the people of this district are agricultural labourers and they are dependent on agricultural income only. Due to the severe drought situation, prevailing in the district for the third year, the labourers are facing unemployment problem. The District administration of Dharmapuri has identified areas for construction of 515 new watersheds under the Drought

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Prone Area Programme of Government of India. The estimated cost of this project is Rs. 154 crores. The District administration has already sent a proposal to the Government of Tamil Nadu and the same has been forwarded to the Government of India for its approval.

Keeping in view this drought situation, which is prevailing in Dharmapuri District, I urge upon the Government, through this august House, for an early clearance of the above said project under the Drought Prone Area Programme and to enable the District administration, Dharmapuri, Tamil Nadu, to have 515 new watersheds at an estimated cost of Rs. 154 crores.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Now we will take up the Constitution (Scheduled Tribes) Order (Amendment) Bill, 2003.

THE CONSTITUTION (SCHEDULED TRIBES) ORDER (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2003

गृह राज्य मंत्री (श्री स्वामी विन्मयानन्द) : माननीया उपसभापति महोदया, मैं आपकी अनुमति से प्रस्ताव करता हूँ

"कि असम राज्य में अनुसूचित जनजातियों की सूची को उपांतरित करने के लिए संविधान (अनुसूचित जनजातियाँ) आदेश, 1950 का और संशोधन करने वाले विधेयक पर, लोक सभा द्वारा पारित रूप में, विचार किया जाए।"

महोदया, इस विधेयक में ज्यादा कुछ कहने के लिए नहीं है क्योंकि यह एक समझौते पर आधारित है। एक समझौता बोडो जनजातियों को स्वायत्त शासित परिषद देने के लिए 10 फरवरी, 2000 को किया गया था और उससे संबंधित छठी अनुसूची में संशोधन भी किया गया था। वह संशोधन भी माननीय सदन द्वारा पारित किया जा चुका है। केवल बोडो जनजातियों को वहाँ इस विधेयक के लागू होने के बाद जनजाति होने का जो अधिकार है वह समाप्त हो जाता है इसलिए यह अधिकार कायम रखने के लिए यह विधेयक लाया गया है। इस पर पर्याप्त चर्चा हो चुकी है। अगर माननीय सदन चाहे तो इस पर चर्चा कर सकता है वैसे इसकी कोई आवश्यकता हमें महसूस नहीं होती। मैं अनुरोध करूंगा कि इसे पारित किया जाए।

The question was proposed.