

These steps would offer much-needed relief to the poultry farmers at a time when there are serious drought conditions prevailing in the State of Andhra Pradesh. This will also result in providing employment to lakhs of rural people. Unemployment is an area of major concern for the State, reeling under drought conditions. Thank you, Madam.

Demand for Broadcasting of Local News by Doordarshan, Bhubaneswar

MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR (Orissa) : Hon. Deputy Chairperson, I would like to bring to the notice of this august House that Doordarshan, Bhubaneswar, is not broadcasting the local news, events and incidents and other regional news (Oriya Samachar) of my area, Sambalpur. This is resulting in avoidable tension, and discontent is brewing among the local populace of my area.

The Doordarshan Kendra, Bhubaneswar, has all along been ignoring my area, in that they have not even been broadcasting some of the programmes prepared by the Doordarshan Kendra of Sambalpur.

There is also a long-pending demand of my people for daily broadcast of a special bulletin by Doordarshan Kendra, Sambalpur. DD, Sambalpur is prepared to help in the matter, but they do not have sufficient infrastructure facilities for the purpose. So, I would request the Centre to take steps to upgrade DD, Sambalpur, to enable them to meet the above long-pending demand of our people.

SHRI BIRABHADRA SINGH (Orissa) : Madam, I associate myself with the Special Mention made by Ms. Pramila Bohidar.

SHRI SURENDRA LATH (Orissa) : Madam, I associate myself with the Special Mention made by Ms. Pramila Bohidar.

THE BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY BILL, 2002 - (Contd.)

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Further discussion on the Bio-diversity Bill, 2002. Shri Sangha Priya Gautam. आप बायोडायवर्सिटी के बारे में भी जानकारी रखते हैं।

श्री संघ प्रिय गौतम (उत्तरांचल): महोदय, मैं इस विधेयक का समर्थन करने के लिए खड़ा हुआ हूँ लेकिन मेरे कुछ शिकवे और शिकायतें भी हैं। भारतवर्ष की जैव सम्पदा विश्व में सबसे ज्यादा और बहुत पुरानी है और इसका भौगोलिक कारण है। भारतवर्ष तीन तरफ समुद्र से और एक तरफ पहाड़ से घिरा हुआ होने के कारण यहाँ पर लोगों का अतिक्रमण नहीं हुआ।