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ANDHRA PRADESH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY DEBATES
OFFICIAL REPORT

Tenth Day of the Ninth Session of the
Andhra Pradesh Legislative Assembly.

ANDHRA PRADESH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Friday the 1st April 1977.

The House met at Half-Past Eight of the Clock
(Mr. Speaker in the Chair)

ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

A. C. B. RAID ON THE HOUSE OF C.T.O., KAKINADA

121—

8582 Q.—Sri Nissankararao Venkata Ratnam (Guntur II):—
Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state:

(a) whether the A.C.B. raided the house of a Commercial Tax Officer, Kakinada, in May, 76 and recovered some illegal properties;

(b) the number of such raids conducted by A.C.B. during 1975 and 1976 and amounts realised; and

(c) the present stage of cases against them?

The Minister for Finance (Sri P. Ranga Reddy):—

(a) A C.B. raided the house of a Commercial Tax Officer, Kakinada in June 1976 and not in May 1976. They seized cash of Rs. 1,69,430/- and jewellery worth Rs 15,098-12.

(b) 47 raids were conducted in 1975 and in only 4 cases total cash of Rs. 14,048/- and jewellery worth Rs. 1,44,764-50 was seized. 61 raids were conducted in 1976 and only in 4 cases

* An asterisk before the name indicates Confirmation by the Member.

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Total cash of Rs. 2,06,192/- and jewellery worth Rs. 41,408-12 was seized.

(c) No. of cases under investigation: 14

Investigation reports under examination of Government: 25

Charge-sheets to be filed by the ACB: 6

Under trial before the Court/Tribunal for Disciplinary Proceedings/Departmental authorities: 59

Disposed of: 4

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Sri P. Ranga Reddy:— This officer is put under suspension and the report has reached the Government through the A C.B, and the Vigilance Commissioner and it is under consideration. Normally the names of the officers are not given till the cases are disposed of.

Sri P. Ranga Reddy:— As I said this is the practice. If still the hon. Member wants I will give this one name since he seems to be very much interested. I hope he will not press for any other names. This officer's name is Sri K. P. Naidu.

What is the policy of the Government. What is the reason for suppressing these names. There is every necessity to disclose their names for the benefit of the society;
Sri P. Ranga Reddy.— This is the policy. normally we won't do it because sometimes till the case is proved and some action is taken or he is prosecuted or convicted or whatever it be, it is not in the interest of the administration to give names and give publicity simply because some prima facie case is made out against the officer.

I can also divulge that the Vigilance Commission after seeing the A.C B. report has recommended for prosecution. The Government has now to take action.

But as I said the whole matter was examined by the A.C B. and the A.C B.'s report was also sent to the Vigilance Commission. The Vigilance Commission has recommended for prosecution and that is under consideration of the Government for taking further steps.
ENQUIRY ON THE DEATH OF SRI VENKATESWARA RAO OF VIJAYAWADA

122—

*9036 Q.—Sri M. Nagi Reddy:—Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Sri Venkateswara Rao of Vijayawada was arrested by the 5 Town Police Station in the month of October, 1976;

(b) whether it is also a fact that he was beaten by the Police severely and released on 30-10-76 in unconscious state;

(c) whether it is also a fact that he died in the Government General Hospital at Vijayawada on 31-10-76;

(d) whether the Sub-Collector, Vijayawada conducted enquiry on his death; and

(e) if so, what are his findings?

Sri P. Ranga Reddy:—(a) Yes Sir.
(b) He was released on bail on 30-10-76 on surety of his parents. It was alleged by the family members that the deceased was beaten by the Police. The doctor who examined the deceased on 31-10-76 when he was admitted into the Government Hospital did not note any external injuries. And the enquiries made by the Sub Divisional Magistrate, Vijayawada so far did not reveal that the deceased was beaten as no external injuries were noticed on the dead body.

(c) Yes Sir.

(d) Yes Sir.

(e) The Sub Divisional Magistrate, Vijayawada could not complete the enquiry.
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Sri H. Satyanarayana — మేము ప్రశ్నలు చెప్పాలి, అంచిన ప్రశ్నలు చెప్పాలి. ఇందులో అత్యంత నిర్ధారక ప్రశ్నలు వచ్చి కనిపిస్తాం?

(మానము చీట్)

3. 10.42 (అధ్యాయాలు) — నా విస్తరణ, ఇంకా ఇతర మాత్రములు పట్టింది. 80.10.76 ల మధ్య సందర్భంలో, 80.10.78 సాధారణం కోసం వచ్చిన అవసరమైన సందర్భం, అప్పుడు కొంతము అందానికి మాత్రము, మోసిస్తానికి అమరిన వస్తుంది! కోసం అవసరమైన పరిస్థితి మీద తాకండి లేదా ఈ పరిస్థితి మెమర్ మొదలులో ఉండగా ఉంటే వాటా అసలు..

4. హిస్టరి (సంవత్సరాలు) — యిద్ద సాధారణం శేషమైన ప్రక్రియలు కేసుకు లేపండి, కానీ మనం మరింత రాళ్ళు మీద ఉండడానికి మాత్రము, మరింత సాధనాలు మీద ఉండడానికి మాత్రము, సాధనాలు మండా సాధనాలు మేము మరింత ప్రామాణికంగా వుంటాం?

5. స్రి ప. రాంగా జాతి చేయాడు (సంస్థులు) — యిద్ద సాధారణం సంభవించాలని ప్రత్యేక విషయాలు కేసుకు లేపండి, కానీ మనం మరింత రాళ్ళు మీద ఉండడానికి మాత్రము, మరింత సాధనాలు మీద ఉండడానికి మాత్రము, సాధనాలు మండా సాధనాలు మేము మరింత ప్రామాణికంగా వుంటాం?

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Sri H. Satyanarayana — May I know what the post-mortem certificate has revealed; there must be mention of the cause of death. What does the certificate reveal?

Sri P. Ranga Reddy — That certificate has yet to come. It is only in that connection I said that further investigations were being made.
1. On suspicion he secured the person of one Paripudi Venkateswara Rao, a casual labour of Loco Shed and brought him to the Police Station on 29-10-1976 for interrogation in connection with the investigation of the said rape because it is reported that this individual gave some information about the incident and the persons mentioned by him are reported to be absconding. On 30-10-1976 the parents of Venkateswara Rao went to the Police Station Vijayawada and pleaded for the release of his son. The Sub-Inspector released the individual on bail on 30-10-1976. But according to the statement of the father of the deceased the deceased was taken to the police station on the evening of 27-10-1976 at 7 P.M. On 30-10-1976 at about 2-30 P.M. the Deputy Superintendent of Police noticed 23 persons with the dead body of Venkateswara Rao in a rikshaw shouting slogans against the police. He asked the 4th Town police Station, Vijayawada to record the statement of Sri M. Sankaraiah, father of the deceased. It was registered in Crime No. 259/76. The D.S.P. Vijayawada sent a report in this regard to the Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Vijayawada. He conducted the enquiry over the dead body of Venkateswararao and sent it to the Government Hospital, Vijayawada for postmortem. It is reported that the Sub-Divisional Magistrate has further taken up this enquiry.

RECRUITMENT OF S Is POSTS IN THE STATE

123—

8-50 a.m.

* 8961 Q—Sri Janny Muthyalu (Salur)—Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact there was a direct recruitment to the posts of S. It (Civils in the Andhra Pradesh Police Subordinate Service in the month of February, 1976;

(b) if so, whether the rule of reservation to the Scheduled Tribe candidates observed in all Ranges in general and the City Range in particular;
(c) whether it is also a fact that only one candidate from S Ts, was called for, final interview in the City Range and was not selected, and

(d) whether the Government of Andhra Pradesh can relax the rule of required physical standards (height) in favour of S. T. candidates especially, when the Government is very much interested in their welfare and economic advancement?

Sri P. Ranga Reddy:—(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes; Sir.

(c) Yes, Sir, but this is being looked into

(d) Yes, Sir.

Personally I am in favour of the exemption and select this boy, I will certainly make the Chief Minister agree for my recommendation and see that he is selected.

Mr. Speaker: It is already one year. The selection was over one year ago.

Sri Syed Hasan (Charminar) In the same selections whyr Muslims were overlooked and not even a single Muslim was taken?

Sri P. Ranga Reddy: I do not think, anybody was overlooked, I do not know whether any Muslim was there or not.

Sri Syed Hasan: I want to know whether the Minister would look into it.

Sri P. Ranga Reddy: Anyway, the whole thing is over. In that particular selection, presuming that no Muslim is there, there is nothing that I can do at this stage except taking the information and keep it in mind for any future selection.

Sri P. Ranga Reddy:—I said yes. I said we will select that boy.
Sri P. Ranga Reddy —This is in that particular case. The Government can do so if it is 184 or below. Now it is 180 so if you want to relax, it is up to you.

Mr Speaker —Not in education. Relaxation is given in regard to physical standards.

HANDING OVER OF THE GOLD KEPT WITH T. T. D. TO GOVT. OF INDIA

(a) whether the Government of India has ordered the Tirumala Tirupathi Devasthanam to hand over immediately the gold that is kept with the Tirumala Tirupathi Devasthanam; and

(b) the worth of the said gold ?

The Minister for Municipal Administration (Sri C. H. Subbarayudu).—(a) No Sir
(b) Does not arise.
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It has yet to be confirmed by the T.T.D. Trust Board as well as the Endowments Commissioner.

9-00 a.m.

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Conducting of Operations by Sri Lakshminarasimhaswami of Yadagiri

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* 9199. Q. Sri P. V. Ramana:—Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state,

(a) whether it is a fact that Lakshminarasimhaswami of Yadagiri is conducting operations as published in the Daily, Andhra Patrika dated 25-11-76; and

(b) if so, the arrangements being made by the Government to extend the facility to the people?

Sri Challa Subbarayudu.—

(a) Certain devotees have experienced that Sri Lakshmi Narasimhaswami of Yadagirigutta is conducting operations in their dreams and curing their ailments, as published in the daily Andhra Patrika dated 25-11-1976.

(b) The Devasthnam authorities have been providing necessary accommodation for the stay of such devotees for long periods.
Huge losses caused to the agricultural products by the rats

126—

9209 Q. — Sarvasri Vanka Satyanarayana & M. Nagi Reddy — Will the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state —

(a) whether the Government are aware of the fact that the rats have multiplied in number causing huge losses to the agricultural products and plants; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to control the rats.

(The Minister for Agriculture?)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government have constituted a State Level Rodent Central Committee to go into the eradication of Rat menace and to suggest sustained Rodent Control Measures, with Secretary, Food & Agriculture as Chairman and Director of Agriculture as Convenor, and suitable measures are being adopted to control rats by organising various rodent control programmes.
Sri Kudupudi Prabhakara Rao:—Sir, this is an important 9-10 a.m. matter. This question is having national importance.

Mr, Speaker:—I would not allow any supplementaries. I will give you half-an-hour discussion if you come up with a representation. Now, I am going to the next question,

Supply of Sheep by the Australian Govt. to A. P. State

127—

*8944 Q.—Smt. J. Eshwari Bai (Yellareddy) — With the Minister for Animal Husbandry be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Australian Government supplied any sheep to our State;
(b) if so, in which year;
(c) the number of sheep received;
(d) whether these sheep are meant for breeding;

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e) if so, which are the sheep farms where these sheep are kept, and

(f) whether these sheep were supplied free or purchased?

The Minister for Animal Husbandry, Sri Sagi Suryanarayana Raju:

(a) Yes Sir.

(b) During the years 1969 & 1970.

(c) 522 sheep (82 Rams & 440 Ewes)

(d) Yes Sir.

(e) Government Livestock Farm, Chintaladevi. Government Dairy Farm, Vizag & Government Livestock Farm, Chinthapalli.

(f) The sheep were donated by the Society for "Those who have less".


(2) 522 sheep (82 Rams & 440 Ewes)

(3) Government Livestock Farm, Chintaladevi. Government Dairy Farm, Vizag & Government Livestock Farm, Chinthapalli.
Mr. Speaker—First you would be given the chance to ask for a supplementary. If you do not use that chance you would lose it. There is no question of giving the chance for putting the supplementary again as a matter of right. Hereafter, you follow the rules when you were given a chance to put the first supplementary, you must immediately avail it. Otherwise, you would not be given a chance to put the supplementary again.

Smt. J. Eshwarai Bar—When you are supporting the Ministers what is the use of putting a question? As a protest, I am walking out.

(Walked out)
Instalation of Shutters on Dendi Project in Devarkonda Tq.

128-

9127Q. Sri B. Rama Sarma (Devarakonda) — Will the Minister for Medium Irrigation be pleased to state:

(a) whether any memorandum has been received from the local M.L.A., requesting to install three feet automatic shutters on Dendi Project in Devarkonda Taluk of Nalgonda District;

(b) whether the Government will accord sanction to install shutters obliging the wishes of the people of this famine prone area

(c) whether this work will be taken up as a part of programme to develop irrigation resources in accordance with the Prime Minister’s 20 Point Economic Programme,

(d) whether it is a fact that canals have been excavated for irrigating 5,000 acres of additional land and

(e) whether the above scheme will be surveyed and taken up in 1977?

The Minister for Medium Irrigation Sri V. Krishnamurthynaidu

(a) No representation has been received by the Government.

However it has been reported that the Hon’ble Member raised the issue at the meeting of the District Development Board held on 20-9-1976.

(b) & (c) The matter is still under preliminary stage of investigation. The question of the scheme by Government will arise only after the investigation of the scheme is finalised and it is found to be remunerative.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) The preliminary investigation of the scheme has already been taken up.


Inclusion of Dendi etc. Projects under Addl. Assessment Act.

129—

8651-MQ. Sri B. Rama Sarma — Will the Minister for Revene be pleased to state:
(a) whether Dendi Project, Pendlipakala project, and section 9/1 of Bheemanapalli Project in Devarkonda taluk, Nalgonda District have been included under Additional Assessment; Act

(b) whether it is a fact that the above tanks are not permanent water sources;

(c) whether the entire ayacut fixed under the above projects is being cultivated,

(d) whether the number of times the tanks have to be filled for growing crop in the ayacut fixed under the above tanks;

(e) whether the above tanks will be exempted from the Additional Assessment Act; and

(f) whether the particulars pertaining thereto will be placed on the Table?

The Minister for Revenue (Sri P. Narsa Reddy): —

(a) Yes Sir. The sources have been notified by the former Board of Revenue as Government sources of irrigation under section 9 (1) of the Andhra Pradesh Land Revenue (Additional Wet Assessment) Act, 1975

(b) No, Sir. These three sources are Projects constructed by the Government.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) No, Sir

(c) & (f) Statement showing the details of ayacut and the area cultivated in Abi and Tabi during the last 10 years under the above said three sources are placed on the Table of the House.

Statement showing the particulars of ayacut and the area irrigated in Abi and Tabi during last 10 years under Dindi, Pendlipakala and Bheemanapalli Projects in Nalgonda District.

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Establishment of Super Thermal Station At Kothagudem At The Cost Of State Govt.

130 –

* 9243 Q — Sarvari Nissankara Rao Ventkata Ratnam and Nallapareddi Sreenivasul Reddi :— Will the Minister for Power be pleased to state .
(a) whether the Chief Minister declared on 25-12-76 at Kothagudem that the Super Thermal station is to be taken up by the State Government itself at its own costs;
(b) the total estimated cost of the project;
(c) whether the Central Government rejected to take up the project; and
(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

The Minister for Power (Sri G. Rajaram)——
(a) No Sir.
(b) The estimated cost of the Project is Rs 324.22 crores.
(c) No Sir. The decision of the Government of India on the location of Super Thermal Station in Southern region is still awaited.
(d) Does not arise

Mr Speaker— When you put the question, he is replying on behalf of the Government.
Construction Of Road Linking
Rollapenta And Srisailam

131—

* 8622 Q.— Sri M. Subba Reddy (Nandakotkur) : — Will the Minister for Public Works Department be pleased to state:

(a) when the construction work of the road linking Rollapenta and Srisailam will be taken up in view of the fact that the Minister had previously stated on the floor of the House that the construction work of the said road would be commenced this year, and
the reasons for delay?

Sri V. Krishna Murthy Naidu:—(a) Administrative sanction has been accorded for an estimate of Rs. 28.00 lakhs for formation of the road in the first reach from KM 0/0 to 12/0. Work on this reach will be taken up during the current year. Estimate for the second reach from KM 12/0 to 60 is under preparation.

(b) Does not arise in view of answer to (a) above

Sanction of Amount For Kondaviti Vagu Diversion Project to Akka Devatha Cheruvu Of Thadikonda

132—

* 6431 Q. — Sri Peter Paul Chukka:— Will the Minister for Minor Irrigation be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Kondaviti Vagu diversion project to Akka Devatha Cheruvu of Thadikonda, Guntur District was sanctioned at a total cost of Rs 9 Lakhs;

(b) if so, the amount spent on that project so far;

(c) the names of the contractors who have taken up the construction work.

(d) whether it is a fact that the contractors who started this work are Government officials; and
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(e) What is the stage of the work now?

Minister for Minor Irrigation (Sri A. Venkta Reddy):—

(a) Yes, Sir

(b) An amount of Rs. 3.00 lakhs was spent on the scheme upto the end of 1/77 from the inception

(c) The names of agencies entrusted with works as follows:—

4. Sri V. Chandrahasa Rao, Contractor, Guntur.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Construction of anicut for a length of 60'-0" including head works on left side and body wall for a length of 50'-0" on right side were completed during last working season. The masonry bodywall for the balance portion of anicut completed for a length of 4 during present working season and about 50% of work is completed. The work of formation of flood banks and left side channel was completed in all respects. 98% of the work on "Excavation of right side channel" was completed. Construction of culvert at 0/3+550 on L.S. Channel, Construction of culvert at M.O/ 4+220 on R. S. Channel, and construction of pipe aqueduct at M. 1/0+220 were executed and the percentages of works completed are 75%, 14% and 92% respectively. The balance work on the anicut and channels will be completed during the present working season.

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Mr. Speaker: He is not in a position to say anything now.

Mr. Speaker:—He is not aware of the statement or the announcement made by the Governor.

Mr. Speaker:—He is not in a position to say anything now.
Mr. Speaker:—This is not a point of Order. I am sorry it is not the way you should conduct yourself. He says he is not in a position to say anything to-day.

Introduction of Janata Risk Insurance Scheme to the Sea-Going Fishermen

133—

* 8421 Q—Sri M. Nagi Reddy:—Will the Minister for Fisheries be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government propose to introduce Janata Risk Insurance Scheme to the active sea-going fishermen of our State,
(b) if so, the details of the scheme, and
(c) when it will come into force?

Minister for Fisheries (Sri D. Munuswamy):—(a) The Janata Risk Insurance Scheme has been deferred for want of funds.
(b) Does not arise.
(c) Does not arise.

Visit of United States by the Managing Directors of Sugar Factories

134—

* 8727 Q.—Sarvasri A. Sreeramulu & M. Nagi Reddy:—Will the Minister for Sugar & Backward Classes be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Managing Directors of Sugar Factories of our State visited the United States of America during August, 1976;
(b) if so, the names of the persons and the purpose of their visit;
(c) the expenditure incurred by each one of them for this trip; and
(d) whether the trip was undertaken with the prior permission of the Board of Directors and the Government?
The Minister for Sugar and Backward Class (Sri K B Narasappa) .—a) Yes Sir.

b) 1. Sri A Chengappa, Managing Director, Cuddapah Cooperative Sugars Limited, Cuddapah
3. Sri J Ram Babu, Managing Director, Sri Vijayarama Gajapat: Cooperative Sugars Limited, Visianagaram
4. Sri P K. Doraiswamy, C&MD, N. S P. Limited, Hyderabad. The object of the tour was to secure first, knowledge and experience of the technology and scientific advancement made in those countries on sugarcane agriculture, sugar manufacture and by-product industries based on bagasse, molasses and press mud

c) The following expenditure has been incurred on the tour

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d) Yes Sir

Deputation of Managing Directors of Sugar Factories to Foreign Countries for Professional Training

135—

*9257 Q — Sri P. Srirama Murthy .— Will the Minister for Sugar & Backward Classes be pleased to state :

(a) the number of Managing Directors of Sugar Factories deputed to Foreign Countries for professional Training and the names of the officers deputed for Training and the expenditure incurred on the programme during the year 1976-77 ,

(b) to what extent the training and talent imported to these officers is used for the betterment of the Sugar Industry in the State ;

(c) whether it is a fact that the Government barred the non-official candidates from being deputed for such training , and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

Sri K. B. Narasappa :—(a) No Managing Director was sent on professional training to Foreign Countries and thus no expenditure was incurred But a few officers were sent on a Study Tour to U. S. A, Cuba and Jamaica

b) Does not arise.

c) No Sir.

d) Does not arise.
Sri A Sriramulu — It has become a hobby or a fashion for some of our Government officers to undertake tours to other countries. In this particular instance what exactly is the technical knowhow these people have been able to collect from USA, particularly in regard to sugar industry? After all USA is an importing country and I understand if these people have gone to Cuba. What was the fascination to choose USA for this purpose?

Sri K B Narasappa — USA also is a producing country. In Cuba and West Indies they wanted to know the latest developments of sugar technology.

Sri A Sriramulu — This seems to be a bi-centenary year and our officers and MD wanted to have a jolly trip to USA. Has the Minister applied his mind to this aspect? What is the need for sending these people and incurring heavy expenditure?

Sri K B Narasappa — Actually this requisition came from the National Federation of Sugar Factories, New Delhi to suggest some names so that they would send a team. Our State Government has recommended 3 names. I have read out the names including the Joint Secretary, Industries also and the expenditure. Due to some changes and variation in air-fares the expenditure has gone up.
Mr Speaker. There is no Point of Order. I cannot give any decision.

Sri M. Narayana Reddy:—Hon Minister has not furnished full information. In addition to Managing Director several others have also visited along with this team. Anyway that information may also be given. We seriously disapprove the manner and purpose for which the team was sent. Sri A Chengappa, Managing Director, Cuddapah Cooperative Sugars, who is a R.D.O. was recently selected. This Sugar Factory is yet to be started. Last year it was under erection. Sri K V Krishnamurthy has already been transferred after the trip. Mr J. Rambabu became a Collector after the trip. What is the purpose that is served after spending lakhs of rupees instead of sending technical personnel. Thus arose after the Seminar conducted by Mr. Chokka Rao, the then Minister for Sugar Factories. There the suggestion was mooted that our M.D.s and Chemists must visit Karnataka and Maharashtra where they are managing efficiently, instead they embarked on a trip to U.S.A. There must be a serious enquiry to the circumstances under which they have gone after getting midnight approvals and ratification. Thy Government have taken a hasty decision in sending them to U.S.A. without any definite purpose.

Sri K B. Narasappa—I am not aware of the midnight orders but only M.D.s alone we have sent. I admit that non-officials also had gone. With the permission of the Board of Directors the names were recommended and approved by Government.
Sri A. Sriramulu.—The Minister has become helpless. I pity the Minister. This is what is going on. This is a deliberate fraud of public money. I am accusing the Government of allowing fraudulent use of public money by these bureaucrats Sir, when such a big fraud has been committed, is the Minister prepared to order for an investigation into this with the Public Undertakings Committee to get the truth? When all the moneys have been fraudulently used by these bureaucrats, the Government have become a helpless spectator.
Sri A. Sriramulu—I am demanding an investigation by the Public Undertakings Committee. I want a special reference Sir. Without special reference, it may not be possible for the Public Undertakings Committee to get it investigated. I request that this should be referred to the Public Undertakings Committee.

Mr. Speaker,—Please put in a separate application.

Mr Speaker,—The point is already raised and answered. Because they were officers of that Company at that time.

Mr. A. Sriramulu,—Let half-hour discussion be allowed.

Mr Speaker,—With regard to the half-hour discussion, you have to make an application. You make an application and it will be examined. If it is necessary, I will agree for half-hour discussion. I do not think that there is time during these 3 days.

Sri A. Sriramulu,—Since this session is coming to a close on 4th, even if I make an application for short discussion, the Business Advisory Committee may not be able to accommodate. So, I request you that this may be referred to the public Undertakings Committee.
Sri A. Srimulu:—You are competent Sir. This is the consensus of the House. Members from the Treasury Bench are also in favour of it.

Mr Speaker—The Minister can make a statement.

Sri A. Srimulu—Let us get truth and let us punish guilty officials. It is not the duty of the Minister to shield the guilty officials.

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Sri A. Srimulu,—It can be investigated. I cannot understand how a Managing Director of a factory which even to-day did not start functioning was sent to U.S.A.? That has to be referred to the Committee on Public Undertakings. The whole problem has to be investigated. Because it is absolutely necessary in the interest and prestige of the Legislature.

Mr. Speaker:—I uphold the Point of Order. Necessary corrections will be made.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO THE QUESTIONS (Unstarred)

Trust Board of Sri Lakshminarasimha Swami Temple in Kodavatancha.

61—

S123 Q—Sri R Narasimha Ramaiah Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state:

(a) Whether it is a fact that the Trust Board (Committee) of Sri Lakshmi Narasimhaswamy temple in Kodavatancha of Parkal taluk, Warangal District has been superseded at present, and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

A.—(a) No Sir. The term of the Board of non-hereditary Trustees of the subject temple expired on 27-2-1971. Subsequently, the archakas of the subject temple were declared as Hereditary Trustees.
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of the temple by the Deputy Commissioner, Endowments, Hyderabad in O.A. No 78/70 in his order No 73, dated 19-9-1972, and the Assistant Commissioner, Endowments did not consider it necessary to constitute a hereditary trust Board, as there are hereditary trustees to the temple, and the Management of the temple had been found to be satisfactory and Executive Officer has also been appointed to the temple.

(b) Does not arise.

Pattas for House Sites to the Girijans of Durgavaram

64—

8889 Q.—Sri Nallapareddi Sreeshivasul Reddi:—Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Girijans of Durgavaram are residing in patta lands of landed ryots since many years;

(b) if so, the action taken to grant them pattas for house sites under "Home Steads" programme;

(c) the reasons for the delay in granting of pattas for House sites; and

(d) when will the pattas for House sites be granted?

A—

(a) It is reported that seven families of Girijans are residing in S. No. 17/1 of Durgavaram village of Nellore district which is patta land.

(b) Enumeration of families including the above Girijans whose cases fall under the Andhra Pradesh Occupants of Home Steads (Conferment of Ownership) Act 1976 was done and the Tahsildar, Gudur initiated action to confer the certificates of ownership under the said Act.

(c) and (d) After completion of requisite formalities under the said Act the Tahsildar, Gudur, will issue certificates of ownership to the beneficiaries

Business turn over of Andhra Pradesh State Federation of Consumers Co-operative Stores Ltd.

68—

3744 Q.—Shri D. Venkatesam:—Will the Minister for Co-operation be pleased to state:

(a) the business turn over of Andhra Pradesh State Federation of Consumers Co-operative Stores Limited of non-controlled items other than Sugar and confiscated goods after the Government has taken over; and
(b) how does the turn over compare when the elected Board was in charge?

A.—(a) and (b)

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(Business in groceries discontinued from 14-12-1973)

2. During the period after the management of the Federation was taken over the Person-in-Charge:

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(Due to fluctuating trends in the prices of non-controlled cloth, purchases were made very cautiously)

Sanctioning of Drinking Water Well as a part of Famine relief works in the Year, 1973.

3203 Q.—Sri K. Rangadas:—Will the Minister for Panchayati Raj be pleased to state,
(a) the District-wise number of drinking water wells for which sanctions have been given as part of famine relief works in 1973,

(b) the number of wells completed and the number of wells yet to be completed,

(c) the amount that is to be paid for the wells completed and for the wells which have been partly constructed and the reasons for the non-payment of money so far, and

(d) whether the Government will immediately issue orders to pay money in the case of bills already presented for the wells and to complete the construction works of the incomplete wells in 1974?

A—(a), (b) (c) and (d) A statement* showing the district-wise number of drinking water wells sanctioned by the District Collectors in 1973 as part of famine relief works, the number of wells yet to be completed and the amount yet to be paid for the wells completed and for the wells which have been partly constructed, is enclosed. The well works could not be completed for want of adequate funds under Drought Relief Programme or any other programme. However, steps are being taken to complete the incomplete wells from the normal plan programme to the extent possible. The question as to how best the pending bills can be settled is under active consideration of the Government.

A statement showing the District-wise number of Drinking Water Wells sanctioned in 1973 as part of Famine Relief Works, the number of wells completed and number of wells yet to be completed and the amount that is to be paid for the wells completed and for the wells which have been partly constructed.

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Drinking Water Well in Durgavaram Arundhatteeyapalem of Kota Panchayat Samithi

8400 Q —Sri Nallapareddi Sreenuvēsl Reddi —Will the Minister for Panchayati Raj be pleased to state

(a) whether there is drinking water well in Government site in Durgavaram Arundhatteeyapalem of Kota Panchayati Samithi of Nellore District,

(b) if not, the action taken to provide a well, and

(c) whether the Arundhatteeyas of Durgavaram are drinking dirty water in a well situated in the patta lands nearby?

A.—(a) Yes Sir.

(b) and (c) As there is no parapet wall to the old well at Durgavaram, Arundhatteeyapalem, the surface water is getting into the well and causing public health hazard. The Chief Engineer has initiated action for making the well safe for use from available funds.
Connected load of Consumer S.C. No 17808 of Guntur

66—

7180Q.—Sri Nissankararao Venkataratnam — Will the Minister for Power be pleased to state

(a) the connected load of consumer S.C. No 17808 of Guntur,

(b) whether the Junior Engineer reported that the meter was creeping in his report dated 18-11-1974,

(c) whether the Assistant Engineer verified and recommended for action against the Junior Engineer;

(d) the penalty imposed on the consumer for the concerned period and the amount ultimately collected, and

(e) whether the same Assistant Engineer later recommended for change of formula from the approved and the reasons therefore?

A.—(a) The connected load is 400 Watts

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The defective meter has to be got tested through a separate agency (i.e.), M.R.T Branch. In this case the meter which was reported as creeping was sent to test in 2/75 along with other periodical overhaul Meters. Hence the question of verification by Assistant Engineer did not arise. Having found during test that the meter was not creeping but had an error of minus 38% action has been taken to revise the bills.

(d) On account of 38% minus error in the meter kept at the consumer's premises for the period from 10/73 to 12-11-1974 a shortfall Rs 724.45 due to be recovered from the consumer was adjusted from out of the bill revised due to revision of enhancement of quota for the period from 27-4-1973 to 31-8-1975 which amounted to Rs 2,528 15. The balance amount of Rs 1,803.70 (Rs 2,528 15—Rs 724.45—Rs 1,803 70) due to the consumer for refund was given adjustment in the consumer's C.C. Bill.

(e) Based on the consumer's representation, Assistant Engineer made certain recommendations and after orders from Superintending Engineer (Operation), Vijayawada quota was revised and the consumer was given the benefit of revised quota.

Collapse of the Well in Prakashnagar of Malkapuram in Visakhapatnam Municipality.

67—

4019 Q.—Sri P. Sanyasi Rao:—Will the Minister for Municipal Administration be pleased to state:
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(a) whether it is a fact that the well situated in Prakashnagar hamlet of Malkapuram in Visakhapatnam Municipality collapsed when it was deepened.

(b) whether the public have submitted representations to the municipality to reconstruct the said well,

(c) if so, the reasons for not reconstructing the said well,

(d) whether it is a fact that the public themselves have dug the well;

(e) whether the Government are aware of the fact that on account of the failure of the municipality to construct parapet in spite of the representations one lady who went there for water fell down into the well and died, and

(f) The action taken by the Government against those responsible for the indifferent attitude of the municipality which resulted in the death of a person?

A —

(a) The well in Prakashnagar did not collapse when it was deepened. But subsequently the public themselves dismantled the stenmg without the knowledge of the municipality.

(b) No representation from the Public was received for reconstruction of the well except from Sri P. Sanyasi Rao, M. L. A.,

(c) The repairs to the said well were completed long back i.e., March, 1975 and it is catering to the needs of the Prakashnagar area residents.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) and (f) After receipt of the representation from the M. L. A. the work was taken up and completed. Hence there is no failure or delay on the part of the Municipality in regard to the construction of parapet in spite of representations. The Municipality was in no way responsible for the death of the women either on account of any delay or indifference and hence the question of taking action against any municipal officer or employees did not arise.

Urban Development Scheme to develop important Towns in the State

68—

Q. — Sri M. Nagi Reddi: — Will the Minister for Municipal Administration be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government has approved a comprehensive Urban Development Scheme to develop important towns in the State,
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(b) the extent of aid that will be given by the Central Government for the implementation of the said scheme,

(c) the towns in our State, which have been included in that scheme, and

(d) whether the details of the scheme will be placed on the Table of the House?

A —

(a) Yes, Sir The Fifth Five Year Plan envisages a new Central Sector programme for implementation of Urban Development Projects of national importance and stipulates financial assistance to the State Government to supplement their efforts.

(b) Central assistance would be available for execution of Integrated Urban Development Projects at 331/3% of the funds required for the project in cities of over one million population and 50% in respect of smaller towns. The remaining cost of the projects will have to be met by the State Government and the implementing Agencies.

(c) Hyderabad and Visakhapatnam

(d) Particulars of the Scheme so far approved are shown below

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Road from Pallamala to Srharikota of Nellore District

7826 Q.—Sri Nallapareddi Srinivasulu Reddy — Will the Minister for Public Works Department to be pleased to state

(a) whether there is any proposal to form a road from Pallamala to the rocket Launching station (Shar Project at Srharikota via Kota, Vakadu, Chittamur and other villages in Nellore District by the Roads and Buildings Department.

(b) whether any representation in this regard from the MLA, Gudur has been forwarded by the Central Government to the State Government for taking necessary action, and

(c) if so, the action taken thereon; and

(d) when will the road be formed?

A — (a) Yes, Sir

(b) Yes, Sir

(c) and (d) The Chief Engineer (R & B) has reported that the scheme would cost Rs 150 00 lakhs. As the allotment under plan for Roads will meet existing commitments only, this scheme would be taken up for consideration when additional funds are allotted.

Damages to PWD Cement Concrete Road between Nizamabad and Bodhan

8164 Q.—Sri M. Narayan Reddy — Will the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state

(a) whether any enquiry has been held to ascertain the causes and reasons for the damage and deterioration caused to the PWD. Cement Concrete Road between Nizamabad and Bodhan. If so, the nature of enquiry and the findings thereof,

(b) the action taken against the persons responsible for the improper execution of the above work, and

(c) the action taken for carrying out immediate repairs and reconstruction of the above road to make it traffic worthy?

A — (a) The Cement Concrete Road between Nizamabad and Bodhan was completed in the year 1963. Based on the then existing conditions of the traffic, type sub-grade, and water table conditions, the Cement Concrete pavement of 10 cm (4") thick was found suitable. Minor cracks developed during the year 1965–66 and Major cracks developed during the year 1971–72. The premature deterioration of the road was due to rapid increase in the traffic intensity and very low load bearing capacity of the soaked black cotton soil sub-grade. The Director,
Central Road Research Institute, New Delhi, inspected the road in April, 1973 and suggested certain remedial measures of Cement Concrete overlays with slight reinforcement of steel as per the road condition.

(b) Does not arise in view of answer to (a) above.

(c) Emergent repairs like filling up the pot holes and B T patch work were taken up and completed during 1972-73. The work relating to improvements to Nizamabad—Narsi Road from KM 4.4 to 9.4 from KM 16.0 to 17.0, and from KM 21.4 to 27.0 has been taken up under sugar cane cess works and is in progress.

Investigation of certain Minor Irrigation Projects in Nandikotkur Taluk

71—

6203 -(L) Q.—Sri Madduri Subba Reddy: Will the Minister for Minor Irrigation be pleased to state—

(a) whether there are any proposals for investigation of the following Minor Irrigation Projects in Nandikotkur Taluk

1. Maddigudem
2. Parumanchala, and
3. Manchalakatta.

(b) if so, the reasons for the delay in the investigation,

(c) whether these three Projects are remunerative, and

(d) whether the Government are taking immediate steps in this case to begin the work early?

A —

6203 (L) —-(a) Yes. These schemes have already been sanctioned by the Government.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir.

Rajula Mathadi Scheme In Madnoor Taluk

72—

8314 Q.—Sri M Narayana Reddy —Will the Minister for Minor Irrigation be pleased to state—

(a) whether Rajula Mathadi scheme has been constructed by the Irrigation Department in Madnoor Taluk in Nizamabad District and if so, the salient features of the scheme and the date of completion of the work;

(b) the extent of area, proposed for irrigation under the above scheme in different villages, and
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(c) whether the proposed area has been brought under irrigation and if not, the reasons thereof?

A —(a) Yes Rajulu Mathadi scheme has been constructed by the Irrigation Department only. The salient features of the scheme are as follows —

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Date of completion of the Scheme — 2-7-1973

(b) The ayacut proposed under the scheme is 408 acres Abi which is completely located in Rajula village only.

(c) The ayacut has not been developed under the scheme for the following reasons

(i) Due to reluctance of ryots to convert their lands into wet;

(ii) Non-extension of field channels.

Restoration work of the Large Tank in Edigi Buzrug Village In Madnoor Taluk.

73—

8315 Q — Sri M Narayana Reddy — Will the Minister for Minor Irrigation be pleased to state

81 — 6
(a) whether the restoration work relating to large tank in Edigi Buzrug village in Madnoor Taluk in Nizamabad district has been completed and if so, the date of completion and the amount spent on the work,

(b) the extent of ayacut coming under irrigation in different villages as a result of restoration,

(c) whether irrigation channels under the above tank have been completed and if not, reasons therefor and the persons responsible for neglecting the excavation of canals under the tank, and

(d) whether any action as been taken or proposed to be taken against the officials responsible for not taking any action for the excavation of canals and channels?

A.—

(a) Head works and major portion of channels is completed. Extension of Irrigation channel, and excavation of distributories is to be done. The up to date expenditure spent on the work is Rs 6.85 lakhs.

(b) The total ayacut proposed under the scheme is 670 acres. A part of which is located in Edigi Buzurg and Longaon villages.

(c) Irrigation Channels (main) including all C D, and C M, works have been completed as per the sanctioned proposals except small gaps at two places, and bank connection to the C D and C M, works. Estimates have been prepared for the excavation of distributories and for extension of main canal and tenders have been called for, but there is no response.

(d) Does not arise, as there is no response for the tender calls. The Executive Engineer (Irrigation) has been instructed to take up and complete the work departmentally.

Common Facility Centre run by the Kondangal Panchayat Samithi.

74—

5227 Q—Sarvasri N Venkataiah and V B Tirumalaiah Will the Minister for Small Industries be pleased to state

(a) The persons under whose management the Common Facility Centre was run by the Kondangal Panchayat Samathi, Mahaboobnagar district.

(b) the monthly expenditure under current charges for running the same till 1970 and the monthly income derived,

(c) the rules according to which advances were given by the Panchayat Samathi for running the Common Facility Centre;

(d) whether the Panchayat Samathi is empowered to give the said loans and if not, the reasons for giving the advances like that;
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(e) Whether the advances were recovered and if not the reasons therefore, and

(f) the places at which the persons who took such advances are working at present and the steps taken to recover the same from them?

A — (a) The Common Facility Centre, Kodangal, was run under the supervision of Sri S. Venkatramaiah, the then Extension Officer, Industries. The Common Facility Centre was closed down in October 1970.

(b) Monthly expenditure on electricity consumption.

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(c) Advances were paid as per the rules under the Andhra Pradesh Panchayat Samithis and Zilla Parishads Act, 1959 and rules framed under Section 28 (1) thereof.

(d) Yes, Sir. Panchayat Samithi was empowered.
Statement by the Minister for Panchayat Raj:

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(e) and (f) An amount of Rs 1,300 as advance to the then Extension Officer and an amount of Rs 2,000 to the then Demonstrator were given. The amounts have not yet been recovered. The Extension Officer is stated to be working in the Excise Department. The Demonstrator was ousted from service and his whereabouts are not known. The Centre was closed on 14-10-1969. Efforts are being made to recover the amounts due.

Construction of single storied tenements in the State by The Housing Board.

75—

8847 Q—Smt J. Eswari Bai—Will the Minister for Housing be pleased to state:

(a) whether the tenements constructed by the Housing Board are single storied throughout the State including the twin cities, and

(b) whether any policy decision has been taken to have treble and four storied buildings to ease the accommodation problem?

A—(a) No, Madam. The Housing Board is constructing single and multistoried buildings in twin cities depending upon location and availability of land. In areas, where space is limited, the Housing Board resorts to multistoried constructions. In the districts, the construction of houses is single storied.

(b) No Madam

Statement by the Minister for Panchayat Raj


The Minister for Panchayat Raj (Sri L. Lakshman Das):—

Sir, Representations have been made on the Floor of this august House and outside that in the regime of special Officers, people's representatives, MPs, MLCs, and Sarpanches of Gram Panchayats should be actively associated with the development programmes at the district and Samithis levels.

Government have given careful thought to this suggestion and have arrived at the conclusion that the people's representatives should accordingly be associated with the selection and review of works both Zilla Parishad and Panchayat Samithi levels. The Review committees
Statement by the Minister for Panchayati Raj:

re: Association of the Peoples Representations in selection and review of the development programme at Zilla Parishads and Panchayat Samithis level

already constituted at District Level in G.O.ms No 380, G.A., (S.C.E) Department, dated 1-5-1976 will function as Advisor Committees for the purpose in view and the Minister in-charge of the district shall preside over the meetings. Wherever two Ministers are allotted to a district they will preside over the meetings alternatively.

At Panchayat Samithis level there will be 5 (five) Advisory Committees. All the Sarpanchas in office in the jurisdiction of the Panchayat Samithis and the M.L.As, M.L.Cs who have earlier opted as members of Panchayat Samithis will be represented in these 5 Committees. The actual allocation of members as between these committees will be done by the concerned special Officers of Panchayat Samithis.

It is hoped that this arrangement will result in the active association of the people's representatives in the selection and review of the developmental programmes at Zilla parishad and Panchayat Samithis levels and contribute to the successful implementation of the programmes.

Sri C V K Rao—A copy of the statement may be given to the Members. Some of the Members are already in the Committees, the same members may be continued. I would like to know whether the Minister would give a suggestion in at the way
386 1st April, 1977.

Matters under Rule 329:
Supply of Mid-day meals to School Children.

By review of the Committee, we can solve so many problems. Let instructions be given to the officers; otherwise we are not able to get correct replies. It will not help for the development of any area.

I request the Minister to give instructions to the Collectors at Samithi level. The present Special Officers are not able to devote their full time for this purpose. They have got regular work. He is half time Special Officer here and the remaining time he has to attend his regular work. That is why, he is not doing justice for the job.

Mr. Speaker:—You can make a suggestion to the Minister.

Matters under Rule 329
re Appointment of Sri N. Bhagawandas retired Chief Secretary as Vigilence Commissioner.

Sri A. Srimululu:—This is an issue relating to the appointment of Sri N. Bhagawan Das, retired Chief Secretary as Vigilence Commissioner. I feel, Sir, the purpose of the motion would be served if the Chief Minister is present in the House. Therefore, I request kindly to postpone this as most of the Members from the side are also eagerly waiting for a reply from that Chief Minister.

Mr. Speaker:—It is postponed to 4th April, 1977.

(ii) Supply of Midday meals to school children

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Postponement of Degree Examinations

10-10 a.m.

(iii) Postponement of Degree Examinations.
of cane price to cane growers. The factories as well as the State Government have been pleading that unless levy sugar price is raised there would be difficulty in paying more cane price and other benefits to the workers. It was in this context that this Marathe Commission was appointed, and I am happy to say that they have submitted a favourable report rationalising the whole structure and keeping the range of levy sugar price at Rs 30. Andhra Pradesh is the State which is going to be benefited most in the entire country by the implementation of this report. Therefore, what steps have the State Government taken with the Central Government for pressing for the implementation of this report which will have a direct impact? In the meanwhile, since there has been an abnormal delay, perhaps for obvious reasons because it would adversely affect some other States, I would now request the hon. Minister Why the State Government should not take up with the Government of India at least to give an interim award or decision raising the levy price to the extent of Andhra Pradesh only, until the whole question is examined so that we can pay more price to the cane growers?

Sri K B Narasippa —I entirely agree with the hon. member. We have made sufficient recommendations to the Government of India. As a matter of fact, I went to Delhi and contacted the concerned Minister. He said he will look into the matter sympathetically. The entire report of the Marathe Commission is a confidential document. It takes some time. Meanwhile, there were general elections. Anyhow, I assure the hon. member that the State Government would take special interest in the matter and try to get interim relief at least.

(i) Accidents Occurring on the Road Branch over Canal Near Kakaraparutu Village

The Minister for Medium Irrigation (Sri V Krishnamurthy Naidu):— It is a fact that the existing bridge at KM 17/2 of Martair-prakklanka road in West Godavari district across Kakaraparutu Channel is very narrow and weak. However, keeping in view
the fact that the bridge is narrow and weak, detailed investigation was
carried out, estimate prepared for construction of a new bridge
at an estimated cost of about Rs 14-00 Lakhs. Action is being taken
to accord administrative sanction is for this work and as soon as
sanction is accorded work will be taken up.

Papers Laid on the Table

Amendments to the A P Occupants of Homesteads
(Conferment of ownership) Rules, 1975

Sri V Krishnamurthy Naidu (On behalf of the Chief Minister
Sri J Vengal Rao)

Sir, I beg to lay on the Table a copy of the Amendments to the
Andhra Pradesh Occupants of Homesteads (Conferment of Ownership)
Rules, 1975, issued in GOSR No 126, Revenue dated 25th
January, 1977 and published at page 187 of the Rules Supplement to
Part II of the Andhra Pradesh Gazette Issued No 9, dated 3rd March,
1977, as required under section 15 (3) of the Andhra Pradesh Occupants
of Homesteads (Conferment of Ownership) Act, 1976

Amendment to the A P Public Service Commission
Regulations, 1963

Sri V Krishnamurthy Naidu (On behalf of Sri J. Vengal Rao):

Sir, I beg to lay on the Table a copy of the Amendment made to
the Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission Regulations, 1963
under the proviso to clause (3) of Article 320 of the Constitution of
India and published in the notification issued in GOMs No 730 GA.
(Ser A dated the 15th October 1976 in compliance with the require-
ments of clause (5) of Article 320 of the Constitution of India.

Mr. Speaker.—Papers laid on the Table.

First Annual Report of the A P Forest Development
Corporation (Pvt.) Ltd.

The Minister for Forests (Sri Ibrahim Ali Ansari).—Sir, I beg
to lay on the Table a copy of the first Annual Report on the working
of the Andhra Pradesh Forest Development Corporation (Pvt.)
Ltd. together with the Audit Report for the financial year 1975-76 in
pursuance of section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956

Mr. Speaker.—Papers laid on the Table.

Amendments to the A P Municipalities (Municipal Works) Rules.

The Minister for Municipal Administration (Sri Challa Subbar-
yudu).—Sir, I beg to lay on the table a copy of the Amendments
The A.P Agricultural Pests and Diseases Amendment Bill, 1976

Government Bill

Mr Speaker:—Papers laid on the Table

PAPER PLACED ON THE TABLE

Report on the decisions of the B.A.C.

The Minister for Revenue (Sri P. Narasa Reddy) (on behalf of the Chief Minister):—

I beg to place on the Table a copy of the Report on the decisions of the Business Advisory Committee taken at its meeting held on 31st March, 1977

Mr Speaker,—Paper Placed on the Table.


The following decisions were taken by the Business Advisory Committee at its meeting held on 31st March, 1977 in regard to business to be transacted in the Assembly meeting to be held on 4-4-1977:

HOLIDAY.

1. Government Motion under section 63 of Indian Electricity supply Act, 1948
2. The Andhra Pradesh Agricultural Indebtedness Relief Bill, 1977
4. The Andhra Pradesh Land Reforms Ceiling on Agricultural Holdings Bill, 1977

GOVERNMENT BILL

A. P Agricultural Pests and Diseases (Amendment) BILL, 1976

The Minister For Agriculture (Sri J. CHOKKA RAO):—Sir I beg to move for the continuance of the Andhra Pradesh Agricultural Pests and Diseases (Amendment) Bill, 1976.
Mr. Speaker.—Motion moved

The question is

“That leave be granted for the continuance of the Andhra Pradesh Agricultural Pests and Diseases (Amendment) Bill, 1976.”

The motion was adopted.

STATUTORY RESOLUTION

Disapproving the A P Gram Panchayats and Panchayat Samithis and Zilla Parishads (Amendment) Amending Ordinance, 1976

Sri C. V. K. Rao.—I beg to move.

“That this House disapproves the Ordinance called the Andhra Pradesh Gram Panchayats and Panchayat Samithis and Zilla Parishads (Amendment) Amending Ordinance 1976 promulgated by the Governor on the 7th December 1976”

Mr. Speaker.—Motion moved

ANNOUNCEMENT

re Time fixed for the receipt of amendments to Bills.

Mr. Speaker—I am to announce to the House that amendments to the following 3 Bills will be received up to 11 a.m. on 2-4-1977.

1 Andhra Pradesh Agricultural Indebtedness Relief Bill, 1977
2 Andhra Pradesh Payment of Salaries and Removal of Disqualification (Amendment) Bill, 1977

GOVERNMENT BILL

A P. Gram Panchayats and Panchayat Samithis and Zilla Parishads (Amendment) Amending Bill, 1977

The Minister For Panchayati Raj (Sri L. Laxmanadas):—I beg to move that the Andhra Pradesh Gram Panchayats and Panchayat Samithis and Zilla Parishads (Amendment) Amending Bill, 1977 be taken up to consideration.

Mr. Speaker.—Motion moved.

Sri N. Venkat Ratnam:—My submission is that this Bill cannot be moved even for consideration. The ground is that there is a mis-joiner of Acts, Sir, in this.
The Gram Panchayat Act. and separately there is an Act called the Panchayat Samithis and Zilla Parishads Act. Now all these Acts are sought to be amended. So there is a mis-joinder of Acts because this is a mis-joinder of Acts.

Mr. Speaker.—That is true. But there are precedents that when a Bill is brought amending two other Acts, In this Bill they can amend two Acts.

Sri N. Venkata Ratnam Those Acts were passed on different dates.

Mr. Speaker.—Whatever it is, when there are two acts and when there are amendments to be made, there can be one Bill amending both the Acts.

Mr. Speaker.—There is some precedent. I will examine and see.
Government Bill:
A P. Gram Panchayats and Panchayat Samithis and Zilla Parishads (Amendment) Amending Bill, 1977

1st April, 1977.

Mr Speaker — There are two statutory resolutions and two Bills and according to the Business Advisory Committee these things should be completed before 11 O’clock. Thereafter non-official business has to be taken up. There are about 7 speakers. I therefore request they confine their remarks to two minutes each.

10-30 a m

396 1st April, 1977.

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Government Bill:

1st April, 1977.

A. P. Gram Panchayats and Panchayat Samithis and Zilla Parishads (Amendment) Amending Bill. 1977

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Mr. Speaker: —The question is:

"That this House disapproves the Ordinance called the Andhra Pradesh Gram Panchayat and Panchayat Samithis and Zilla Parishads (Amendment) Amending Ordinance 1976 promulgated by the Governor on the 7th December, 1976."

The motion was negatived.

Mr Speaker.—The question is

"That the Andhra Pradesh Gram Panchayats and Panchayat Samithis and Zilla Parishads (Amendment) Amending Bill, 1977 be taken into consideration."

The motion was adopted.

Mr Speaker —The question is

"That Clause 2 and 3 do stand part of the Bill."

The motion was adopted and Cluases 2 and 3 were added to the Bill.

Mr Speaker —The question is

"That Clause 1, Enacting Formula and Long Title do stand part of the Bill."

The motion was adopted and clause 1, Enacting Formula and Long Title were added to the Bill.

Sri L.Lakshmanadas Sir, I beg to move:

"That the Andhra Pradesh Gram Panchayats and Panchayat Samithis and Zilla Parishads (Amendment) Amending Bill, 1977 be passed.

Mr Speaker —Motion moved.

The question is

"That the Andhra Pradesh Gram Panchayats and Panchayat Samithis and Zilla Parishads (Amendment) Amending Bill, 1977 be passed."

The motion was adopted and the Bill was Passed.
STATUTORY RESOLUTION
Disapproving the A. P. Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Ordinance 1977

Sri C V. K. Rao —Sir, I beg to move

“That this House disapproves the Ordinance called the Andhra Pradesh Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Ordinance, 1977 promulgated by the Governor on 12th January, 1977.”

Mr Speaker.— Motion moved.

The Andhra Pradesh Co-operative Societies
(Amendment) Bill, 1977

Sri B Subbarao. Sir, I beg to move

“That the Andhra Pradesh Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Bill, 1977 be taken into consideration”

Mr Speaker.— Motion moved

Not with standing anything in this Act or the rules made there under or the bye-laws of the societies concerned, if the Registrar is of the opinion that it is necessary to amalgamate or merge any society with any other society or to liquidate for any of the following purposes .”
The A. P Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Bill, 1977

1st April, 1977.

Government Bill:

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Government Bill:
The A. P. Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Bill, 1977

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Mr. Speaker —They don't come under the Bill.

Mr. Speaker —Please see the provisions of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker :—This is not one of the provisions of the Bill.
1st April, 1977.


Government Bill:


(1) The Government of Andhra Pradesh have intimated that the A. P. Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Bill, 1977, is likely to be introduced in the Assembly soon.

(2) In pursuance of the request made by the State Government, the Bill has been placed on the agenda of the session.

(3) The Bill is intended to provide for the amendment of the A. P. Co-operative Societies Act, 1972, with a view to improving the working of the co-operative societies.

(4) The Bill seeks to provide for the establishment of a co-operative bank in each district of the State and the appointment of a Director for the same.

(5) The Bill also seeks to provide for the establishment of a co-operative bank in each town and the appointment of a Director for the same.

(6) The Bill is intended to facilitate the co-operative movement in the State and to promote the welfare of the members of co-operative societies.

The Bill has been referred to the Committee on Finance and is expected to be passed in the near future.

(7) The Government of Andhra Pradesh have requested the Committee to give careful consideration to the provisions of the Bill and to make such amendments as may be necessary to improve the working of the co-operative societies.

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Mr Speaker — The question is

“That this House disapproves the Ordinance called the Andhra Pradesh Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Ordinance, 1977 promulgated by the Governor on January, 1977.”

The motion was negatived

Mr Speaker — The question is

“That the Andhra Pradesh Cooperative Societies (Amendment) Bill, 1977 be taken into consideration.”

The motion was adopted

Mr. Speaker — The question is

“That clauses 2 and 3 do stand part of the Bill.”

The motion was adopted and Clauses 2 and 3 were added to the Bill

Mr. Speaker — The question is

That Clause 1, Enacting Formula and Long Title do stand part of the Bill

The motion was adopted and Clause 1, Enacting Formula and Long Title were added to the Bill

Sri B Subbarao — Sir, I beg to move

“That the Andhra Pradesh Cooperative Societies (Amendment) Bill, 1977 be passed

Mr. Speaker:— Motion moved.

The question is;

“That the Andhra Pradesh Cooperative Societies (Amendment) Bill, 1977 be passed.

The motion was adopted and the Bill was passed.
NON OFFICIAL RESOLUTION.


11-00 a.m. Sri H Satyanarayana.—Sir, I support my friend, Mr. Sanyasi-rao. Even the previous Central Government was thinking on those lines because if my memory is right, we say in the papers that irrespective of the loss or gain, the Central Government has decided that they should give an ad hoc bonus of Rs 100/- to each worker. In those circumstances, we can infer that the previous Central Government also wanted to re-examine the whole bonus affair afresh and come to a broad decision. Unfortunately in the meantime the Government fell. So it is in the fitness of things that this Government should also recommend to the present Government which is also committed to give bonus and revocation of compulsory deposit. This House may recommend to the Central Government that this bonus should be given. With these words, I take leave.

Sri T Anjiah.—We are accepting the resolution.

Mr Deputy Speaker.—The question is

“That this House recommends to the Government of India to restore the provisions of the Bonus Act, providing for minimum bonus as it is a deferred wage.

The motion was adopted, and the resolution was passed.
Non Official Resolutions

re: Granting complete remission in respect of the special tax on Commercial Crops.

(ii) Granting complete Remission it respect of the special Tax on Commercial Crops.

Sri M. Nagireddy— Sir I beg to move:

"That this House recommends to the Government that complete remission be granted in respect of the special tax on commercial crops in the entire State this year, as the ryots had sustained heavy losses due to total failure of commercial crops in our State on account of drought conditions at the beginning of this year and cyclones and heavy rains subsequently.

Mr Deputy Speaker— Motion moved

Sri A. Srimulu — The concerned Minister will have to make a note of the points raised. This resolution relates to commercial crops assessment. So the Revenue Minister or somebody who is conversant with the subject should be present in the House.

Deputy Speaker :— There are 3 or 4 Ministers in the House.
1st April, 1977.

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11-10 a.m.

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STATEMENTS BY THE MINISTER FOR POWER

re: Proposed restrictions in power consumption H.T. Consumers.

The Minister for power (Sri G Rajaram):—Mr. Duputy Speaker Sir, As member of the House are aware, we were hoping that the power supply position during the current year would be quite satisfactory and that we might not have to resort to any load-shedding or power cuts using this summer.
Statements by the Minister for Power: 1st Apr.1, 1977.

Proposed restriction in power consumption by H.T. Consumers.

2. This anticipation was based upon the monsoon of 1976 in the Machkund region in particular being normal. There has, however, been a failure of monsoon in the catchment area of Machkund river. As against the storage of 19.5 TMC on 31-3-1976, the storage on 31-3-1977 is only 9.9 TMC.

3. The thermal units in the State which could not be serviced in time due to power shortage during 1972 to 1975, have also been creating some operational problems.

4. Inspite of all these limitations, a generation of 4901 million units during this year has been achieved as against a generation of 4059 million units during the previous year, i.e. an increase of 20.7 percent.

5. The load has also increased on the system owing to number of services coming up, over a lakh of domestic and other services including 15,000 agricultural services and electrification of over 1650 villages. Due to this unprecedented increase in demand coupled with the failure of monsoon in the Machkund area and the problems we have with some of the thermal units, the Board has been compelled to resort to load-shedding during the peak periods in the past few weeks.

6. Since this load shedding means a lot of inconvenience to many consumers viz. industrial, domestic and agricultural, it has been suggested by a number of industries that they would prefer to have a specified cut in the demand and energy consumption instead of the load-shedding now being resorted to by the Board.

7. Keeping in view the available generation during the next 2 1/2 to 3 months i.e. until the onset of monsoon and the likely demand during this period the Electricity Board has worked out that a statutory restriction in demand and energy consumption to the extent of 30% be imposed on all HT consumers with immediate effect.

8. This 30 percent cut in demand and energy will make available adequate energy to the agricultural consumers in particular and to all other essential services until the power position improves with the onset of monsoon. It is very likely that with the anticipated improvement in thermal generation, the supply position may improve to some extent even before the monsoon period. If and when this happens, the consequential relief would be extended to HT consumers on whom the restrictions are now proposed to be imposed.

9. There will also be a complete ban on all ostentations use of electricity.
1st April, 1977. 

Statements by the Minister for Power.

re: Tariff for H.T. and L.T. Agriculture Supplies and Voluntary Loan Contribution for Protected Water Supply Scheme.

10. It is hoped that the consumers who are to be affected by the restrictions now to be imposed will bear with the inconvenience and cooperate with the Board in effective implementation of the restrictions. The restrictions being imposed will be reviewed from time to time based upon the available generating capacity.


Sri G. Rajaram: Sir, there is another statement that I have to make in respect of tariffs.

As the House is aware that due to the ever increasing costs of various items such as coal, oil, capital goods and various materials, that go into the construction of a Power System, the Electricity Board, with the approval of the State Government, revised the tariffs for all categories of consumers including the agricultural consumers, with effect from 20-10-1975. Prior to this revision the tariff applicable for agricultural consumption was:

16 paise per unit of energy
subject to an Annual Minimum Guarantee of Rs 60 per HP

The loss that was being incurred by the Electricity Board for the supply of electricity for agricultural purposes to about 2.8 lakh consumers in October 1975 was about Rs 37 crores. To reduce the quantum of loss to the extent possible, it was suggested by the Board that the tariffs may be revised to:

16 paise per unit Plus
a fixed charge of Rs 60 per HP per annum without the Annual Minimum Guarantee stipulation.

(2) Although there was ample justification for the revision suggested on account of the loss being incurred by the Electricity Board, the State Government felt that the fixed charges should not be more than Rs 3 per HP per month or Rs 36 per HP per annum without the Annual Minimum Guarantee. Accordingly the Board revised the tariffs effective from 20-10-1975. This revision has helped to reduce the loss to a limited extent on account of supply to the agricultural consumers from Rs 37 crores per annum to about Rs 32 crores. The reduction in loss was hardly Rs 5 crores per annum.
(3) After the revision of the tariff, the State Government has been receiving a number of representations from the H T, and L T. agricultural consumers throughout the State, to the effect that the revision made in agricultural tariff has caused hardship to them. A number of panchayats have also made representations for the waiver of voluntary loan contribution for supply of power to the protected water supply schemes.

(4) The State Government in deference to the above representations, are now directing the A P State Electricity Board as follows even though it would mean considerable loss to the Board.

(i) The tariff for L T agricultural services to be revised with effect from 1 4 1977 as 16 paisa per unit plus fixed charges of Rs 2/-per HP per month subject to a maximum of Rs 10/-per service.

(ii) The same tariff to apply for H T Lift Irrigation schemes also but with no ceiling on the fixed charges.

(iii) To exempt voluntary loan contribution for extending supply to the protected water supply schemes whenever the capital cost to extend the power lines to each installation does not exceed Rs.25,000/-

Sri M. Narayana Reddy — This matter was discussed at length sometime ago, What is the effect of the present directive? Rs 3 per HP per month was there Now it would be Rs 10 and there is another Rs 5 by way of compulsory service charges which was added later on. When the Government has taken a very considerate decision in spite of the loss incurred by the Board in the interest of agriculture, I would also suggest that the whole tariff structure which was enforced from October 1975 may be revised. Since you are revising the fixed charges, Service Charges may be revised which were not there before.

Sri G. Rajaram — Formerly also there was service charges of Rs.3 per service. That has been increased to Rs.5/- because of various factors.

NON OFFICIAL RESOLUTIONS
Granting complete Remission in respect of the Special Tax on Commercial Crops (Contd)
1st April, 1977.

Non Official Resolutions:
re: Granting Complete remission in respect of special tax on Commercial Crops.
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11:47 a.m.
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Sri M Narayana Reddy :- Without the presence of Revenue Minister the discussion would be of little help. This is an important resolution which the Government has to make a statement and without the presence of the Revenue Minister it would not be fair to the House. You may kindly send for him to the Council You should enable him to hear the points Our Minister for Municipal Administration may not be able to do full justice.

Sri Challa Subbarayudu — He is engaged in the other House. He has got some Bills there.
Non-official Resolutions 1st April, 1977.

re: Granting Complete remission in respect of special tax on Commercial Crops

Sri M Narayana Reddy—Madam Chairman, I rise to 11.50 a.m. support the resolution—Remission of Commercial Crop Assessment during this year. This is to be viewed in relation to the Provisions of the Commercial Crop Assessment Act. You will kindly notice that under Sec 6(1) for remission of special assessment a Pattedar has to give an application to the Tahsildar stating that there has been a failure of crops in a particular fashyear due to seasonal conditions or natural calamities. But sub section 2 of Sec 6 of the same Act reads like this. “The Government may, by notification and for reasons to be recorded therein, remit in whole or in part the special assessment payable under this Act in respect of any commercial crop in any area or areas if they are satisfied that such remission is necessary on account of the fall in price of such commercial crop or other sufficient cause.” Now Government has to take action on the basis of the circumstances mentioned in the resolution under Sec. 6, sub-section 2 as other...
Non-official Resolutions

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wise thousands and lakhs of cultivators will be put to hardship to give applications before the Tahsildar. Therefore, since there has been failure of crop and also fall in prices of different commercial crops, there is urgent need for Government to issue a notification for remission of special assessment. Madam Chairman, how the Government would be satisfied in issuing or acting upon the resolution. For that there are two reasons. In one part of the State, there has been too much of rain-cyclonic or otherwise and in other part, there was no rain at all therefore, the State, has been very much adverse, with the result, there was no yield In some places, there was much reduced yield. Secondly, the prices of commercial crops have also fallen down in our State. Therefore, there is a definite reason for remission of this assessment altogether this year without putting the cultivators in any further hardships. There is another factor for the failure of crops. This aspect also should be taken into consideration. The failure of crops, in our state for the purpose of remission will be calculated in anna van yield (1/4th yield) 4 annas yield, 5 annas yield, 6 annas yield etc. This remission on failure of crops, has been fixed under the standing orders of the Revenue Board 50 years back which needs revision.

We have lost all considerations about the cost of cultivation for raising of commercial crops. Therefore, it is not proper to apply these old standing orders of the Revenue Board to commercial crops particularly in view of the very high cost of cultivation of these crops. For determining the failure of crop in terms of annavani, there has to be crop cutting in each and very field by the revenue authorities. Is there adequate staff in each firka and taluk? Efforts be made for wide spread crop cutting experiment all over the state. Therefore, let us not wholly depend upon the crop cutting method. Let Government take notice of the seasonal conditions to completely remit the commercial crop special assessment. Therefore, there is urgent need to act upon it without any further delay.

Another point is, the rate of commercial crop has been fixed in the schedule. In the schedule, you will see the rate of commercial crop has been fixed i.e., the sugarcane Rs 25/- (irrigated), whether the source of irrigation is private or Government, without any distinction, it was fixed. For raising sugar cane, the cost of private irrigation would be 15 to 20 times then the cost of the Government irrigation. Without having regard to the needs, a flat rate has been fixed in the schedule at the rate of Rs 25/- per acre for sugar cane, Rs. 10/- for tobacco and Rs 5 for cotton. There is also a need for scaling down and making proper notification in the schedule and for doing that there is no need for any amendment of the act but it can be by way.
of amending the bill—this can be brought before the House for amending the bill. Government has power under Sec. 13 (1) "Government may by notification amend the schedule and such notification shall specify the fiscal year from which it shall take effect" Therefore, Government has ample power to modify the schedule.

In this context I would also like to suggest that the commercial crop assessment itself would not be realistic, specially in our state. There is a need for reconsidering the whole issue whether it is advantageous in our state to dispense with the commercial crop assessment altogether for two reasons: (1) There is a need in our state to encourage cultivation and to raise commercial crops. It is only by raising commercial crops in the long run that the peasantry would get benefit and not by raising food crops on which there is so much ceiling of prices, levy and other restrictions which would never give sufficient return to the peasantry. It is in the interest of our economy and in the interest of our farmers to permit them to encourage and promote raising of more commercial crops, for that there is need to remove this tax altogether and by that we may get little revenue (this much of revenue we are getting from some other sources). We are also levying tax on or chards on coconuts, mango groves and such things which yield real benefit only after few years, i.e., two or four years and in some cases 5 to 7 years. This has been very much overlooked at the time of passing this Act. Therefore, unless the return comes to the farmers in that particular fiscal years, there cannot be any particular assessment because such assessment should be on the crop not on the plants which would be yielding after few years. Therefore, that aspect has to be clarified.

We must also take notice that commercial tax itself has gone up 12-00 noon so much in our state, it is more than Rs. 150 crores touching Rs 160 crores'-during next year it may go further. A large part of it we get by the sale and purchase of commercial crops in the market. If we go on putting curbs and restrictions by way of higher taxation on the very raising of commercial crops then we may get reduced revenue from the commercial tax. Therefore, the whole thing has to be reviewed and reconsidered. Is it wise at this stage to have this kind of assessment? I am told that we are getting Rs 9 crores. Therefore more than Rs. 20 crores or even Rs 30 crores may come under the commercial crop next year beyond the estimated receipts. Therefore, we should not cause further hardship to the peasantry who are already suffering for want of high irrigation charges, high electricity charges on agricultural implements, on fertilisers, and so many other cases. In view of the changed situation, I would beg of the Government to remove the commercial tax altogether for future in addition to remitting
the assessment altogether this year in our area also on dry commercial crops. Specially on commercial crops which were rain-fed, have totally failed. If the Government did not take notice of it and if they simply depend upon the reports of Tahsildars, then they will be mis-led. Let Government take the opinion of the House. Every one will say that the commercial crops have failed and so they deserve remission. Then action should be taken immediately and the Minister should make a statement to that effect either to-day or on 4th before we adjourn Government may also review the whole issue to see whether we can dispense with the assessment. I strongly plead that Government should dispense with the remissions by repeal of the Act so that there would be some relief to the peasantry. There is need for removing these curbs in the larger interest of higher growth and production of commercial crops in our State.
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re Granting Complete remission in respect of special tax Commercial Crops.

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Sri M. Narayan Reddy—Sir, I only wanted to convey the mood and the sense of the House was unanimous on this point because the Minister was not here at the time of discussion regarding remission. Secondly, regarding the annewari method, what I suggested was that the Government has power under Section 6 (2) either to remit in whole or in part with respect to any crop or crops. I request the Hon'ble Minister to see whether it is really possible for the Tahsil officers and the lower staff to determine the yield on the basis of annewari system with reference to Board Standing orders issued a long time ago, in respect
of commercial crops. Having regard to the seasonal conditions in different parts with dry weather coupled with cyclonic weather, is this annu­eral assessment really practicable? Why not the Government take a decision under Section (2) to make the appropriate remissions either in whole or in part on these different commercial crops because the reasons given are not only failure of crop but reduction in prices the Government may therefore take action as suggested by me giving remis­sion either in whole or in part without leaving the matter to be decided by the Tahsildar, Revenue inspector and patwaris according to the annu­eral method which will only lead to complication and further hardship to the ryots and the entire House was agreeable on this. Let us not make a fetish out of it. A broad view may be taken in view of the total failure of the crop during this season.

Sir P Narasa Reddy,— It is quite magnanimous to recommend along the lines suggested in the resolution and it would be considered by the Government as such and we will consider whether we can give wholesale remission in all those areas, but I shall presently explain the steps we have taken. I submit that so far as banana, turmeric, vegetables etc concerned we have said that in respect of those who have grown these crops in cyclone affected areas where the rainfall has been utterly inadequate and the position is extremely adverse, there should be no commercial crop assessment at all. I also wish to say that the aumash is not being done now, the hon Member’s view that we are going to do aumash now is not correct. This has been done long time back—October or November. On the basis alone we are going to do that. In regard to sugarcane also we have said that where the yield is .0 tonnes per acre, half-remission will be given and if it is less than 10 tonnes then full remission will have to be given. We have given a very elaborate and feasible method. Now if hon Members feel that the entire commercial crop assessment must be written off right now, I submit it is not possible for me. I also submit that Rs. 9 crores is not just Rs 9 which could be written off. But I would like to emphasise that we would not try to collect tax from persons who have been affected either by cyclone or by drought. If the hon Members say in general that all Tahsildars, Deputy Tahsildars, Revenue Inspectors and Patwaris are not to be believed at all, then I think it is too late in the day for us to think that such bureaucracy would not have to be believed. We have no other alternative to send others to get crop information. But we will certainly take hon. Member’s suggestion to write off the entire thing in the State. We will consider if it is possible as a gesture of goodwill in response to the suggestion made by the hon Members of this House. But there are those who have grown tonnes and tonnes of sugarcane and tonnes
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of mirchi elsewhere who are not affected either by cyclone or drought. If all the hon Members of this House are magnanimous to suggest a general remission straightway on that point, then naturally I will convey this feeling to the Cabinet so that we can take a decision on that matter.

Regarding the other facts mentioned by Sri C V K Rao and Sri Venkatesam that houses have collapsed and necessary relief must be given, I submit that I do not have those particulars because the resolution of Mr Nagireddy was confined only to the commercial crops. If hon Members feel that the assistance that was given to the affected persons under cyclone must have to be discussed, we will have to have a separate discussion on that matter because the State Government has spent Rs 6 crores; we have got advance plan and loan of Rs 3½ crores from the Central Government; there is the relief fund of Rs 10 lakhs. The budget amount was to be spent on priority basis for breaching of tanks, etc. All those steps have been taken to ameliorate the conditions of those affected and also the poor people. I assure the hon Members that the Government has done what all was necessary to have been done giving priorities. If the hon Members so desire, we may have a discussion on that. So far as commercial crops assessment is concerned, we shall see that there is neither evasion nor hardship on the cultivators. The Government in the Revenue Department is now having a new look to see whether the commercial crop assessment is to be levied in such a manner that there would be no chance for a petty official to allow evasion by a person who is liable to pay and also that unnecessary burden is not inflicted on a person who has not actually cultivated the commercial crop. We are thinking of a method where by the commercial crop assessment could be levied at the market area where the ryot brings his produce for sale and we want to see whether in accordance with the principle adopted under the sales-tax law, we could also do this assessment and see that the income that we are deriving under the commercial crops is not lost so that our plan implementation may go forward. We are at it and within a fortnight we would like to work out practical methods keeping in view the magnanimous suggestions of the hon Members of this august House.

From Hyderabad he had travelled. Everywhere we have seen that the crop has failed. We have travelled to all the districts and seen that the crop has failed. The farmers have suffered a lot. The revenue department has to take action in this regard. The Central Government will give assistance. We have to take this into consideration to get the plan implementation going forward.
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But the Collector issued orders to collect commercial tax on castor. Therefore the Minister should give an assurance that it won't be collected.

Sri P. Narasa Reddy.—Sir, this matter is raised without notice. I can't off-hand give an assurance to the Hon. Member. But I can assure you that we are not insisting on an application for purposes of giving remission. We have directed that the crop-cutting experiment shall not be done by the patwari but by the Statistical Officer or Agricultural Officer. There is a team of officers who would go to every fika and specified villages and then come to a conclusion. I assure that those who have not given applications for remission shall not suffer on the sole ground that they have not given applications.

They have agreed that there is no commercial crop in that area. But in respect of those who have not given applications they are given notices and tax is being collected. They have agreed that there is no commercial crop in that area. But in respect of those who have not given applications they are given notices and tax is being collected.
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Sri M Narayana Reddy — In addition to total remission, we suggested 2 more important points. One is whether the whole Act would be repealed, i.e., the entire assessment would be withdrawn in favour of some other arrangement where by we can also get tax in order to avoid hardship—some other system after settling the incidence of to, where a better method of resources mobilisation can be adopted. Secondly, about the other orchards and others which yield only after several years, that they would be subject to assessment after the yield comes. Thirdly, that until the whole issue is examined—I do not want to place the Hon’ble Minister in an embarrassing position—until this matter is considered, the whole collection would be put in abeyance so that he can consult the Chief Minister. The collection process can be put in abeyance until this matter is fully considered, in view of the consensus express in this August House.
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Sri Ch Parasurama Naidu — It is a fact that Srikakulam and Visakhapatnam are affected by drought. It is officially recognised. So, that matter also may be considered for the purpose of remission.

Sri M Nagi Reddy — Commercial crops are completely failed. Whether you are going to consider is the question.
We have taken a decision not to collect tax from such crop which does not yield any crop.
The Minister can assert his position. Definitely he can do it. It is not a great thing...
NATIONALISATION OF SUGAR INDUSTRY IN THE STATE

Sri Ch. Parasurama Naidu —Sir, I beg to move

"That this Assembly having considered the unanimous resolution passed by the Assembly for Nationalisation of Sugar Industry in this State, urge implementation of Nationalisation of the said Industry as promised to be carried out by the State Government, in the absence of early action in the direction by the Central Government".

Chairman.—Resolution moved.

Sri Ch. Parasurama Naidu —The resolution for nationalisation of sugar industry had been unanimously passed here during the time
when Mr. P V Narasimha Rao was the Chief Minister. Having accepted the Resolution, there is also an assurance that if the Central Government does not take action, the State Government would take action as early as possible. Six years since then, almost the end of the term of the Assembly is coming and we are about to face elections shortly. I do not know how short it is. It is imminent. When this is so, when there is a positive commitment with regard to the nationalisation of this industry, there is a betrayal of that commitment. I do not see any reason why that betrayal should take place. Having given a solemn assurance that this Resolution is accepted and it is unanimously passed, when it is unanimously passed, it should be treated as a mandate. I would ask this Minister to tell me as to what steps had been taken since the passing of the Resolution. Does the acceptance of the Resolution merely formal? I go to the extent of stating that it is unanimously done for the sake of more policy before the House, before the public, because after passing the Resolution, it might have been simply despatched to the Centre and absolutely there is no pursuance of the Resolution.

1-10 p.m. The legal opinion is that Nationalisation of Sugar Industry can be undertaken by the State Government itself. It is simply lost sight of. I charge the Government for unnecessary delay in accepting the Resolution. This industry is an old industry, an established industry, a profitable industry and money is being maintained by the private owners of these Mills. When such is the position, why should the Government hesitate to take over the Mills and nationalise them? Now, Sir, it is only in the interest of the public pressure, in the interest of the toiling labour, but also in the interest of one and all, you should take immediate action and should implement the Resolution. I know that the Government can say and spend any amount of funds under the 20 point Economic Programme or under any other Scheme or Programme for the benefit of the poor. It is only the mesmerism of the words. You want to carry the Electorate with you and simply you want to betray them.

We have been demanding all the while that the price paid to the Sugar Cane Grower is not sufficient. Several times, my friend Mr. M Narayana Reddy, one of the very ablest Advocate of the affairs of the Sugar Cane Growers have brought to the notice of the Government several matters pertaining to this affair. Calculating the investment, and the yield of the sugar, prices have to be fixed correctly. But proper rates were not fixed and paid to the Growers. Even in the payment of the price also, so much fraud is being committed. Though the profits are there, proper books are not maintained and bonus, etc. were not paid. So many malpractices are taking place in accounting. Illiterate Sugar-cane-Growers are cheated in many ways.

There is 10% difference in weightment for each Ton. By this sort of difference in weightment they are earning crores of rupees. In the matter of excise duty also, certain officers amenable for influence are pursuing and other things. The produce of the Sugar is not really accounted. Wrong accounts are shown and correct figures were not shown to the public. Inspite of all the malpractices, they will show less income. All these malpractices could be put down only by the method of Nationalisation.

The utilisation of money for the purpose of Roads is also not properly done. It is partially done.

These Factories have become political institutions, electoral institutions and in the matter of payment of money also, there is no fair deal.

Sri M. Narayan Reddy:—Point of order, Sir. This is a resolution not for Nationalisation of the Sugar Industry. It is already passed. The limited object of the Resolution is to urge upon the State Government to implement that Resolution instead of awaiting any action from the Central Government. Let it not be misunderstood that this Resolution is for Nationalisation. We must stress as to how the State Government should implement this Resolution immediately in the absence of any delayed communication from the Central Government.

Sri Ch. Parasurama Naidu.—I am very much indebted to Mr. Narayana Reddy for his observation. I am fully conscious of the Resolution.

Coming to Point, Sir, I am trying to expose the magnitude of the betrayal that is being done to the Sugar-cane-growers and workers. What is the difficulty for the Government to nationalise this industry?

It is a 12 month crop. There is great scope for development of this industry. If this is taken over by the Government, there would be much profits. We are also exporting sugar to foreign countries. We are earning foreign exchange too. So, I request the Hon’ble Minister for sugar to take over the Management of Sugar Factories.

So, I hope that the Government having accepted in principle, they will certainly come forward with an assurance that the Resolution would be implemented immediately and I also hope that we will have an announcement thereof right now from the Hon’ble Minister.

Thank you, Sir.
Sri M Narayana Reddy — Madam Chairman, in regard to nationalisation of Sugar cane industry, a Resolution was unanimously passed by this House in the year 1970. Now, I want to draw your attention to only 2 important aspects: (1) Why it took nearly 5 years to know the reaction of the Central Government and whether the reaction on the resolution was adverse or favourable? (2) What further steps were considered necessary by the Government to implement this Resolution? Nationalisation is no more a subject for discussion. Nationalisation was wanted in this State and the other part of the matter has to be considered now. At the request of the then Chief Minister Mr. P. V. Narsimha Rao, we amended the Resolution calling upon the Central Government to take action for nationalisation of Sugar Industry. It is now 5 years after passing that Resolution and no action was taken till now. It is really necessary for this House to know the reaction of the Central Government over the Resolution passed. What is the action that the State Government is going to take in the absence of any favourable decision from the Central Government?

Another aspect is that the sugar cane price that is paid to our Growers all over the State is lowest than any other State. I am sorry to state that our State Government was unable to do anything in spite of the fact that our neighbouring States like Maharashtra and Karnataka are paying much higher prices to their Sugar cane-growers. We recently toured the States and studied this problem. While the Central Government policy on sugar as well as sugar cane price being common in the country, the neighbouring States were able to arrange higher rate to their cane-growers. Our levy price also is the lowest in our country.

In our State also number of Sugar Units have become sick. Srikakulam, Bobbili, Seethanagaram Factories have become sick; I must say very sick. Two Factories were also closed.

Challapalli and other Sugar factories are causing much hardship to the Sugar-cane growers. They must be taken over by the State Government under the Scheme of Nationalisation or under the scheme of taking over the Managements. At least the second course is absolutely necessary i.e. to take over the Management of the Sugar Factories. Put them under the control of Nizam Sugar Factory or some other agency, so that they cannot close these factories at their will and pressure.
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Over Sugar, year by year profits are there. Crores of profit is there to certain Managements. But that is not accounted properly. Workers were not being given the legitimate bonus and other facilities. Let some thing be paid to the workers out of the profits accrued by the Managements of the Sugar Factories.

Under these circumstances, I urge upon the State Government to take immediate action on this. Before we go to Assembly poll, some thing should be done. It is in our own interest to adopt such a course. I once again urge upon the State Government to take the courage to implement the Resolution already passed.

Thank You, Sir.

Chairman — The House now stands adjourned till 8.30 a.m. tomorrow (The House then adjourned till 8.30 a.m. on Saturday the 2nd April 1977).