

## Lorry drivers wait hours at mill

Cane lorry drivers have been complaining of long hours they have to wait in the hot sun and in the cold nights to deliver sugar cane.

Vinesh Reddy, 45 of Sarava, Ba, said he waits long hours everyday to get the sugar cane crushed.

Mr Reddy said there were other lorry drivers like him coming from as far as Sigatoka to get sugar cane crushed at the Lautoka Mill.

He said he left Sarava in his truck-laden cane at about 4pm everyday and reached the Lautoka Mill at about 5.30pm.

He said he had to wait till 10pm and sometimes

11pm to get the cane crushed.

Another lorry driver, Mukesh Kumar, 42, said he comes from Cuvu in Sigatoka with sugar cane every second day.

He said the major problem was the performance of the sugar mill.

Mr Kumar said it was the responsibility of the Fiji Sugar Corporation to check the maintenance and operation of the mill.

He said the Fiji Sugar Corporation should look into problems lorry drivers were going through while waiting hours in the day and at nights waiting for deliver their load of cane.