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Title: Regarding excavation of Bangarh archaeological ruins in Balurghat Parliamentary Constituency, West Bengal- Laid

DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR (BALURGHAT): Bangarh having the largest share of archaeological ruins are found in Dakshin Dinajpur District of my constituency, Balurghat, West Bengal. The place has immense historical and mythological significance for the fact that archaeological ruins are found in almost all the places of the entire district.

The excavation work of this site was started as early as 1938. In 2007, the ASI's Patna circle also unearthed 14 towers and found the evidence of an elaborate drainage system. The constructions found in the ruins of Bangarh are about 2500 years old. The artefacts and other remnants of city and town planning are of significance to unravel our old culture and town planning model. It is requested that immediate attention may be given to restart the excavation work and declare it as archaeologically relevant circuit. Further the entire district may be developed as a heritage place so that revenue from tourist activities could be generated.