

## **Regarding problems faced by shuttlecock manufacturers in Uluberia Parliamentary Constituency- laid**

**SHRIMATI SAJDA AHMED (ULUBERIA):** I would like to draw the kind attention of the Government towards the situation faced by shuttlecock manufacturers in my Parliamentary Constituency Uluberia. Uluberia has long been renowned as the central hub for shuttlecock production with a thriving feather industry that has flourished for over 40 years. Unfortunately, the majority of manufacturers in this region are unorganised employing around 6,000 individuals. Shuttlecock manufacturers in Uluberia are grappling with challenges that demand the attention of Government of India. The primary concern is the abrupt halt in feather import from Bangladesh, impacting the availability of feathers. Furthermore, the imposition of a 12% Goods and Services Tax (GST) on shuttlecocks has further increased costs. Consequently, Chinese companies have swiftly captured a substantial portion of the market, undermining the principles of "Make in India" and "Atmanirbhar Bharat." I urge upon the Government to immediately intervene in order to address this grave issue particularly to allow the import of duck feather from Bangladesh and ensure credit facilities to the manufacturer.