

Need to establish a Dry Port in Bundelkhand region-laid

SHRI ANURAG SHARMA (JHANSI): This issue has been raised to suggest the establishment of dry ports in the Bundelkhand region of Uttar Pradesh by the Government of India. Bundelkhand, spanning across Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh, faces significant economic challenges due to its arid climate and limited infrastructure. By developing dry ports, the region can gain critical logistical advantages, boosting trade and commerce. Dry ports will facilitate efficient cargo handling and reduce transportation costs, thereby encouraging industrial growth. According to the Uttar Pradesh government's data, the Bundelkhand region has witnessed only 2% industrial growth compared to the state average of 6%. Establishing dry ports can bridge this gap, fostering economic development and job creation. Furthermore, the Government of India's National Logistics Policy aims to reduce logistics costs from the current 13-14% of GDP to 8%. Dry ports in Bundelkhand will contribute significantly to this objective, enhancing the region's connectivity to major markets and ports. Therefore, it is imperative to implement this initiative promptly to promote sustainable development and economic prosperity in Bundelkhand. Your support is crucial in transforming this region into a vibrant economic hub, fostering public trust in the Government's commitment to balanced regional development.