

Title : Regarding soil erosion caused by Ganga river

SHRI KHALILUR RAHAMAN (JANGIPUR): Ganga, the major river that flows through Murshidabad district, plays a major role in the financial and agricultural sectors. Ganga erosion is a major concern for the people of Murshidabad district, especially of Lalgola, Raghunathganj-II, Suti-1 and Samserganj Block. The most affected areas in Samserganj Block are Nurpur GP and Giria GP of Suti -1 block. Lots of houses, schools, temples, mosques, and crematoriums on the bank of the river have no trace left. In August 2020, nearly after 50 years, this region faced such a huge erosion which washed away dwelling places, temples, schools, litchi and mango orchards, and agricultural lands right along the river bank. More than 1,10,000 households have been identified as vulnerable to Ganga erosion. Erosion is a serious issue that needs urgent intervention. People are petrified and losing their last hope to live as they lost everything they had. I strongly demand that a permanent action should be taken to stop erosion caused by the Ganga. Along with that, I would appeal the Government to rehabilitate those homeless people who have lost everything due to erosion. The Farakka Barrage project has huge pieces of vacant land in which families who have lost their homes can be rehabilitated. Thank you.