

**Need to set up a full-fledged Aadhaar Facilitation Centre in Jhargram Parliamentary Constituency, West Bengal-Laid**

**SHRI KALIPADA SAREN KHERWAL (JHARGRAM):** I would like to draw the attention of the Government to highlight an important issue affecting a portion of the population in my Parliamentary Constituency, Jhargram. Despite the widespread importance of Aadhaar as an individual identity document for accessing various government schemes, banking services, and welfare benefits, many residents of my constituency continue to face persistent challenges related to Aadhaar enrolment and updates. Currently, there is no dedicated Aadhaar Facilitation Centre in or around Jhargram. Residents are forced to travel long distances, often to Ranchi or other regional centres, for enrolment or biometric corrections. This travel is costly and difficult, particularly for economically weaker sections, the elderly, and persons with disabilities. Errors in biometric or demographic data often remain unresolved for months, resulting in exclusion from essential services like NFSA ration distribution, pensions, and direct benefit transfers. Jhargram, being the district headquarters and centrally located within the Jangalmahal region, is strategically positioned to serve as a hub for Aadhaar services. Establishing a permanent facilitation centre here would ensure timely, accessible, and inclusive service delivery. Therefore, I urge the Hon?ble Minister of Electronics and Information Technology to consider setting up a full-fledged Aadhaar Facilitation Centre in Jhargram, equipped for enrolments, biometric updates, and grievance redressal.