

Regarding need to upgrade drainage system, pumping system and real time disaster management mechanism to address the water logging problem in Mumbai metropolitan region-Laid

SHRI SANJAY DINA PATIL (MUMBAI NORTH-EAST): I draw the urgent attention of the Government to the recurring crisis of heavy rainfall and chronic water-logging across the Mumbai Metropolitan Region, including several parts of my Lok Sabha Constituency. Every monsoon, lakhs of citizens face flooded roads, submerged railway tracks, disrupted transport services and severe hardship. Despite continuous efforts by the State Government and civic bodies, several low-lying areas remain inundated for hours after heavy rainfall. This leads to health risks, damage to homes and small businesses, loss of daily wages, and immense difficulties for students, senior citizens and hospital-bound patients. Suburban rail services the lifeline of Mumbai are frequently halted, affecting economic activity across the region. Mumbai is not only India's financial capital but a critical engine of national growth. Its smooth functioning directly impacts the country's productivity. With climate change intensifying rainfall patterns, this issue can no longer be viewed as a seasonal inconvenience; it has become a permanent urban infrastructure challenge. There is an urgent need for long-term solutions, including comprehensive drainage upgrades, modern pumping systems, enhanced storm-water capacity and robust real-time disaster-response mechanisms. Addressing this decisively is essential to safeguard lives, livelihoods and the economic stability of our nation's premier metropolitan region.