

Title: Need to provide financial assistance to Government of U.P. for providing relief to the people affected by drought in Moradabad Parliamentary Constituency.

SHRI CHANDRA VIJAY SINGH (MORADABAD): Many parts of India are reeling under unprecedented drought conditions. And declaration of drought affected districts is being done irrationally by State Governments, particularly in UP – which excluded Moradabad from the list and incorporated neighbouring Bijnor and Rampur – though they received more rainfall than Moradabad.

The Government should take immediate and strong measures to meet the situation. It should, forthwith, drastically cut wasteful expenditure in Government institutions.

Emphasis should also be on resurrecting traditional Indian water conservation methods, like wells, storage tanks etc. so that dependence on the monsoons is not total, resulting in the sort of chaos that will, in all probability, ensue after its failure this year. Union Government should release adequate funds to the State Government for this purpose.
