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Title : Need to take up infrastructural development of Chanchal Sub Division and release funds for flood management programme in Malda district, West Bengal - Laid.

SHRI PRIYA RANJAN DASMUNSI (RAIGANJ) : In spite of my several interventions, the Union and the State Government of West Bengal did not take up infrastructural development of Chanchai sub-division (new one) in the District of Malda for one more Medical College at Raiganj and one Engineering College at Chanchal. Meanwhile, the Water Resources Ministry in Union Government and the Irrigation Desk of West Bengal Government are not considering the immediate requirement of Mahananda Division Flood Management plan beyond Rajmahal, which is causing devastation by river erosion in Bilaimari and Mahanandatola of Ratua Block in Malda due to Fulher river as well as the devastated river erosion by Mahananda, Kulik and Sui rivers in Uttar Dinajpur of West Bengal.

The Planning Commission has been approached several times in the matter. Itahar, Raiganj, Karandighi, Goalpokher Blocks of Uttar Dinajpur as well as Ratua Block-I, Kharab-I and II Blocks and Harishchandrapur-I and II blocks including Ratua block did not get required support to meet the river erosion management programme and the flood management programme. I demand that a team of Union Government and State Government involving public representatives of Uttar Dinajpur and Malda should address the issue in the presence of Member of Planning Commission after the Session either at New Delhi or in West Bengal to re-arrange the plan allocation for this issue including the support for Engineering College and a Medical College in Chanchal and Raiganj respectively.