Title: Need to ensure the safety of dam under Hadagarh Medium Irrigation Project in Keonjhar district of Odisha.

SHRI ARJUN CHARAN SETHI (BHADRAK): The Hadagarh Medium Irrigation Project in the district of Keonjhar of Odisha State is in distress condition due to cracks developed in the main Dam of the Project. In the mid fifties of the last century this particular Irrigation project was constructed and in the early sixties it was completed. It provides irrigation for more than one lakh acres of land in Kharif and 20 thousand acres in Rabi season in the district of Bhadrak and Balasore. It appears now the Dam is not safe due to mining of quarries in the nearby areas.

I, therefore, urge upon the Government to send experts in the field of irrigation to help solve the problem developed due to cracks to save the people in the areas along with the livelihood of farmers.