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Title: Need to take urgent steps to stop pollution caused by ITC Paper Mill in Telangana.

SHRI P. SRINIVASA REDDY (KHAMMAM): I would like to draw the attention of the Government towards the irregularities taking place in ITC Paper Mill in Telangana. The ITC has proposed to establish Bleached Chemi Thermo Mechanical Pulp Mill to augment its production without proper environmental clearances. Apart from violation of labour laws, the ITC is causing pollution in water and air. Due to the discharging of the chemical water into river Godavari the fish breeding is completely washed out, the downstream village people and animals are suffering from many diseases by the chemical water released from industry. Due to the emissions of Chemical gases into the air, people living in the surrounding villages are suffering from asthma and respiratory problems.

I, therefore, urge upon the Government to take urgent measures to stop pollution and I would also demand to appoint an Inquiry Committee to check the irregularities in ITC Paper Mill in Telangana.