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Title: Need to set up Kendriya Vidyalaya in Sundarban region of West Bengal.

**SHRIMATI PRATIMA MONDAL (JAYANAGAR):** As the Government is aware that Sunderabans in West Bengal are stricken with poverty and illiteracy. Most of the children in the villages are yet to see the light of education. It is not because of lack of interest by them but due to poor educational infrastructure. My parliamentary constituency Joynagore consisting of seven blocks namely Joynagar, Gosaba, Basanti, Kultali, Mograha-I Canning I and Canning II is more than 100 Kms from the nearest Kendriya Vidyalaya at Ballygunge which makes it next to impossible for them to study there.

As a representative of people of my constituency, I earnestly appeal to the Government to set up a Kendriya Vidyalaya at a suitable place which is accessible to the children from all blocks. Availability of land for creating the infrastructure will not be a problem. It may not be out of place to mention here that Sundarbans are a UNESCO World Heritage Site & frequently visited by tourists both from India & abroad. Bringing up the literacy of the people of this area would also in addition generate employment opportunities. I seek kind cooperation of Minister of Human Resources Development, Government of India to make this endeavour a success.