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title: Need to take steps to check erosion to the banks of Bhagirathi river.

SHRI MD. BADARUDDOZA KHAN (MURSHIDABAD): I would like to draw the attention of the Government towards the fact that imported 'coal' is now being carried through the river Bhagirathi from Haldia to Farakka N.T.P.C. by big ships. At the time of passing of such big ships, high waves are created which hit the banks of Bhagirathi. As a result, the banks of the river are now under slow but regular erosion. There are so many towns, villages and fertile lands along two sides of Bhagirathi. Both sides are now facing this problem.

So, I urge upon the Government to please send a expert team to survey the real situation and take necessary steps to stop such erosion.