

Seventeenth Loksabha

Title : Regarding setting up of saline water treatment plant in Balasore, Odisha -laid.

**SHRI PRATAP CHANDRA SARANGI (BALASORE):** Balasore in the state of Odisha has been adversely affected by recurrent flood and cyclone, which impinge on the availability of potable water to the affected habitats in the sea adjoining areas. Inundation of sea water resulting in water logging for days during cyclone and flood period aggravates the drinking water problem as the water bodies including wells/tube wells water source become saline.

There is imperative need for treatment of saline water to provide drinking water facility to the coastal habitats in the district of Balasore. I urge upon the Jal Shakti Ministry to undertake a survey and put in place saline water treatment plant in Balasore coast in the larger public interest.