>

Title: Request the government to sanction relief packages for the theatres and entertainment industry suffering due to the lockdown in the country.

SHRIMATI NUSRAT JAHAN (BASIRHAT): Sir, the Governments of various States announced a complete lockdown of public places like theatres from 15th March 2020. This was followed by the social distancing advisory issued by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare on 16th March 2020. These measures have led not only to a shutdown of several theatres countrywide but also led to an indefinite halt in the production of several films, television serials, and other entertainment medium.

16.00 hrs

Because of this, the entire industry has been suffering, and lakhs and lakhs of people have lost their jobs. The condition of the Bengal film industry is also very bad. Thousands of people working in the film industry directly or indirectly like actors, singers, technicians, make-up artists and thousands of labourers working behind the camera and in the production teams are absolutely jobless. The industry is facing a huge financial crisis. As a colleague, along with other people from the film fraternity, I have tried to help but could not. Therefore, I would request the Government to look into the matter and sanction relief packages for the entertainment industry and its people for their immediate revival.

16.0½ hrs

माननीय अध्यक्ष: जिन माननीय सदस्यों को आज नियम-377 के अधीन मामले उठाने की अनुमति प्रदान की गई है, वे अपने मामले के अनुमोदित पाठ को व्यक्तिगत रूप से सभा पटल पर रख दें।