## Seventeenth Loksabha

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Title: Regarding nullifying the shifting of regional training centre of NABARD from Bolpur to Kolkata.

SHRI ASIT KUMAR MAL (BOLPUR): Hon. Chairperson, Sir, I would like to raise an important issue to draw the kind attention of the hon. Prime Minister. There was a regional training centre under NABARD from 1984 at Bolpur in the district of Birbhum, West Bengal. NABARD had bought 12 bighs of land to build its permanent office.

Recently, the said training office has been shifted to Kolkata because of which the Bank staff from eight districts who were coming to Bolpur to take their training and also a large number of women from self-help groups wijho were coming to Bolpur to take their training from remote village, along with the staff of the Bank, have fallen into deep problem. Bolpur is a very renowned and prestigious place where Kaviguru Rabindranath Tagore had set up the Viswabharati University of which the Chancellor is the Prime Minister himself. So, I fervently pray to the prime Minister to nullify the shifting and keep it at Bolpur. I hope, the hon. Prime Minister will kindly consider my prayer at the earliest. Thank you.

**HON. CHAIRPERSON**: Shri Kuldeep Rai Sharma is permitted to associate with the issue raised by Shri Asit Kumar Mal.