

Seventeenth Loksabha

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Title: Need to install anti-smog air purifier tower in Delhi.

SHRI MARGANI BHARAT (RAJAHMUNDRY): Sir, I know that we are going to have a discussion under Rule 193 on pollution and climatic changes but I want to give three suggestions through you to this House. We all know the fate and position of pollution in Delhi now. Sir, my colleague is going to speak on the discussion under Rule 193 but I want to submit three suggestions on the subject.

After building houses under PMAY, the Government of India may start solar roofing instead of concrete slabs so that we will promote renewable energy. We may also start vertical gardening under PMAY. The Government may start promoting electrical vehicles with zero per cent of GST at the time of purchase. The subsidy of 20 per cent at show room price may also be given so that it gives a free hand for all the middle-class people to buy those vehicles.

Lastly, China has now started making the world's biggest air purifier which is 328 feet tall with anti-smog tower. This will produce ten cubic metres of fresh air every day. What message are we giving from Delhi, the capital of India, to the whole world?(*Interruptions*) The hon. Prime Minister should take initiatives in constructing such a tower in India.

***SHRI GURJEET SINGH AUJLA (AMRITSAR):** I thank you, Hon. Speaker Sir, for giving me the opportunity to speak on a very important subject. At the inception, I extend my warm wishes and congratulations for celebrating the 550th anniversary of Guru Nanak Dev ji at Shri

Kartarpur Sahib. I thank Hon. Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji, who helped us realize our long-pending demand of 72 years. I also thank the Central Government for this achievement. I also thank our Hon. Chief Minister of Punjab Captain Amarinder Singh for his efforts in making this possible. Moreover, I thank the Pakistan Government for allowing us to achieve our long-pending demand. Sir, I urge upon the Government to do away with the demand for passport for this purpose. Aadhaar card should serve the purpose. Also, the fee of 20 dollars should be done away with. Speaker Sir, I also want to specifically thank you because the External Committee of 16th Lok Sabha had recommended in 2017-18 that the Kartarpur corridor be opened for Sikh pilgrims.

Sir, coming back to the subject, our trade relations with Pakistan has come to a screeching halt after the Balakot attack. 5000 porters and coolies have been affected directly and 10,000 people have been indirectly affected due to the stoppage of trade between the two countries.

So, I urge upon the Government that trade between the two countries be resumed at the earliest. Before it was suspended, trade worth 1500 crores was undertaken between the two countries. Those dependant on this trade are finding it difficult to make both ends meet. So, I urge upon the Government to kindly intervene in this matter and resume the Indo-Pak Trade at the earliest.