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Title: Need to make Hooghly river pollution-free -laid.

**SHRIMATI LOCKET CHATTERJEE (HOOGHLY) :** Hooghly river is one of the main tributaries of Ganga in West Bengal that is being polluted day in day out. Ganga gets most polluted in West Bengal. My constituency is named after the Hooghly river and I feel sad as my constituency contributes a lot to this pollution. The main reason for pollution is the dumping of untreated sewage in the river. Around 20 canals dump their waste directly into the river. The holy river turns murky grey when it passes through the Dakshineswar temple. Chandannaagar, a part of my constituency dumps most of its untreated sewage directly into the river. This is harming the aquatic life and also polluting the environment. The State Government is allowing the closed leather mills of Kanpur to open near the banks of the holy river that is polluting the river further. I would like to urge the Government to take proper and prompt corrective measures to ensure that Hooghly becomes pollution free.