

Regarding condition of Ganges river in Bardhaman Purba Parliamentary Constituency.-laid

SHRI SUNIL KUMAR MONDAL (BARDHAMAN PURBA): I want to draw the kind attention of the Hon?ble Minister of Jal Shakti regarding the condition of the river Ganga which is not in good condition specially between Katwa and Kalna in my constituency. Katwa to Kalna is near about 1001 Km area. In these zones, the river Ganga has extended its area due to silts. All these areas are very important through different point of views. 70% to 80% SC, ST & OBC community?s people reside on both side of the river and are not having enough fund, they do not have another place to go. In case, unpleasant incident happen they will be homeless. So, an inspection team is need to be sent here from Central Government. to inspect the matter. Due to gathering of sands the inhabitants of the bank have been affected because water is extending in its area and the banks of the river Ganga is getting shallow. There is also need of mining of sand so that the flux of river could be better. Dredging will lead to increase storage in capacity of water. Further, sand bags have been damaged which were placed to control flow of water and are in dire need of replacement.

The rejuvenation work may not be possible if dredging work will not be done in proper way. It is my personal consideration that gathering of sand or silts cause the extinction of the rivers in India. Many of the rivers which were flowing for thousands of year have come on the verge of extinction.

I lastly request the Hon?ble Minister to kindly go through my developmental suggestions to ease the problem as well as beautification of river bank of the area is needed.