

Re: Erosion caused by river Ganga in Murshidabad district - laid

SHRI KHALILUR RAHAMAN (JANGIPUR): Ganga, the major river that flows through Murshidabad district, plays a major role in the financial and agricultural sectors. Ganga erosion is a major concern for the people of Murshidabad District, especially for Block and Farakka, Raghunathganj-II, Lalgola Block, Sagardighi Samserganj Block which are most affected. Lots of houses, schools, temples, mosques, and crematoriums on the bank of the river have no trace left. In August 2020, nearly after 50 years, this region faced erosion which washed away dwelling places, temples, schools, litchi and mango orchards, and agricultural lands along the right bank. According to the 2020-21 Murshidabad District Disaster Management Plan, more than 65,000 households in villages of Samserganj block have been identified as vulnerable to flood, water logging, and erosion. I strongly demand on behalf of these homeless people, who are to lose their belongings, to inform the concerned authority to take permanent action to stop the erosion of the Ganga. Along with that, I appeal to render help to those who have lost their livelihood. People who lost their homes due to erosion need rehabilitation. The Farakka Barrage project has many vacant lands. Those vacant lands may consider for rehabilitation for the families who lost their homes.