

## Regarding climate change-laid

**SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE (MUMBAI SOUTH-CENTRAL):** The latest report of IPCC has predicted the global sea level to rise about 1m by 2100, which would result in complete submersion of Mumbai and Kolkata. Experts also predict that parts of Mumbai, Kolkata, Surat, Chennai would get submerged by 2050. This would be further supplemented by an increasingly unpredictable occurrence of untimely rains, floods, cyclones and other hazards. This is an existential crisis that we are facing. Since past years, increasing number of untimely rains have resulted in wiping out of complete villages, which has not only resulted in loss of life, property but also loss of livelihood. It's no longer just about curbing emissions, government must develop a mechanism that would focus on environmental changes. Climate change isn't just caused by emissions by India. Government needs to take steps to dedicate its international diplomatic capital towards convincing and persuading to take climate change seriously towards global warming. The environment isn't a commodity that we have inherited, but a resource that we have borrowed from next generation. It is our responsibility to provide our coming generation with a better world, so I urge upon the Government to declare a climate emergency all over the country, and formalize constructive plan to overcome worst situation of climate change.