

Regarding the issue of flooding in Arambagh Constituency

SHRIMATI APARUPA PODDAR (ARAMBAGH): Thank you hon. Chairman Sir, I would like to raise a very serious problem of my Arambagh Lok Sabha constituency, which I have been raising in this august House for the last ten years. In this area, flooding is a major problem whenever there is even slightest rainfall. Khanakul is such an area which is very easily flooded if there is rain because when the water of Mundeswari river reaches Rupnarayan river, the water immediately flows back and the villages are completely submerged. So when Khanakul Block 1 and Block 2 are flooded, the entire area becomes disconnected. There is a bamboo bridge over Mundeswari to connect Natibpur and Ganeshpur. Several times the Central government has been requested to address this issue but so far, nothing has been done. If this bridge is strengthened it will serve as a nice connection between Howrah and Hooghly. Along with that, Khanakul Blocks 1 and 2 will also be connected. Moreover, another bridge to join Khanakul and West Midnapore, the Garer Ghat bridge, which is over Rupnarayan river is also very important. These two bridges are urgently needed. These bridges will prove to be highly beneficial to the people of my Khanakul and Arambagh parliamentary constituency; the common people or the farmers of the region who have to travel to Howrah or West Midnapore for various purposes regularly will get the advantage. So through you Sir I request Hon. Irrigation Minister of Central government to immediately take up the project without further delay. Thank you Sir.