

Title: Need to provide financial assistance to the Government of Punjab for providing relief to the people affected by floods in Patiala Parliamentary constituency-Laid.

SHRIMATI PRENEET KAUR (PATIALA): I would like to raise the issue of floods caused by excessive rain in the Himalayas leading to flooding of the river Ghaghar and other streams in most segments of my Parliamentary Constituency of Patiala in Punjab.

This flooding is a yearly feature causing widespread damage to crops, cattle, houses and human lives. This year in the month of July, there has been flooding in the Assembly Constituencies of Ghanaur, Dakala, Shatrana, Lehra and Banur.

I would like to request the Union Government to provide immediate relief to the affected and also take up with the Punjab Government the issue for a payment solution for the taming of river Ghaghar which is one of the five main rivers of Punjab, traversing 242 kms. Of which about 160 kms. flows through district Patiala and my constituency.