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Title : Need to provide special grants to the institutions engaged in promotion of Gandhian Philosophy in Gujarat.

DR. VALLABHBHAI KATHIRIA (RAJKOT): The Hon'ble Finance Minister in the Union Budget 2006-2007, has declared special grant to two Gandhian Institutions to promote Gandhian Philosophy. It is very disheartening to know that no institution from Gujarat where Gandhiji was born has been considered for development.

I request the Government to consider "Smriti Mandir" the birth place of Mahatma Gandhiji at Porbandar, 'Rashtriya Shala' at Rajkot where Gandhiji started his initial non-violence movement and Sabarmati Ashram at Ahmedabad for special grant to promote Gandhian ideology.