

Title: Need to start trade centers in Goalpara & Dhubri districts of Assam.

SHRIANWAR HUSSAIN (DHUBRI): The Industrial Growth Centre was proposed to be established more than a decade ago at Matia in Goalpara District. The construction work started few years back but the progress is very slow. The construction of Goalpara-Dudhnoi Road has not yet been taken up.

On the other hand, for Border Trade, Mankachar and Sonahat of Dhubri District were selected few years back. An Indo-Bangladesh trade treaty was signed in 2001. But the construction work is yet to be started at Sonahat. At Mankachar, the pace of work is very slow.

Goalpara and Dhubri districts in my Parliamentary constituency are among the poorest districts in the country. Announcement of creation of the trade centre and Border Trade Centres created a hope among the people. But due to delay in the works have made people frustrated.

I, therefore, urge upon the Government to take prompt and appropriate action to start these trade centres at the earliest.

* Treated as laid on the Table