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Title : Need to construct gates and install water-pumping machines along the barbed-wire fencing on Indo-Bangladesh border in Karimganj (Assam).

SHRI LALIT MOHAN SUKLABAIIDYA (KARIMGANJ): I wish to draw attention of the Government towards the problems being faced by a large number of people living within Barbed Wire Fencing along Indo-Bangladesh Border including the ones on the bank of the river Kushiara in Karimganj Assam due to absence of gates at suitable places. People are having difficulties as they do not have easy access to their paddy fields outside the fencing as they have to walk long distances with all implements and cattle to reach their paddy fields. On the other hand, those living on the bank of river Kushiara who are traditionally accustomed to use river water for all purposes, such as, bathing, washing, cultivation and even drinking etc. have to toil to fetch water from the river on the other side of the fencing. I, therefore, urge upon the Government to take suitable action in (i) providing gates at 500 metre distance all along the Indo-Bangladesh Border in this area and (ii) Installing pumping machines at suitable places to bring in river water in order to meet the daily needs of this large number of households inside the barbed wire fencing.