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Title: Need to check pollution caused by industrial effluents in Mahabubabad Parliamentary Constituency, Andhra Pradesh.

SHRI P. BALRAM (MAHABUBABAD): In Mahabubabad Constituency of Andhra Pradesh, there are some industries like Andhra Pradesh Rayons Factory, ITDC and KPTC Thermal Unit etc. These industries are polluting the environment resulting into loss of lives of both human and animals. The Godavari river passing through my Constituency has become polluted. Now, the cities have come closer to the industrial areas due to the heavy density of population and has added to the problem more especially in Mahabubabad Constituency. People are facing health related problems due to the pollution caused by the industrial effluents.

This has been long demand of the people of my Constituency that they should be protected from such pollution on a war footing basis. An action plan is needed in co-ordination with the States, particularly my Andhra Pradesh State to tackle such situation to protect the future generation of our country from various diseases. Many tribals in my constituency are suffering from various unknown diseases and are unable to meet the hospital expenditure.

I, therefore, request the Hon'ble Minister of Environment & Forests, through the Chair, to intervene in the matter and find out the alternative measures to reduce the pollution immediately to save the lives of the people and animals in my Parliamentary Constituency on a top priority with a special package in the remaining current Five Year Plan period (2007-12)