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Title : Need to provide safe and clean drinking water in Balurghat Parliamentary Constituency, West Bengal.

SHRI PRASANTA KUMAR MAJUMDAR (BALURGHAT): The problem of drinking water is grim in various districts of West Bengal. In eight districts of the State, people use to drink contaminated with arsenic. Most of the people are suffering from water-borne diseases. Due to arsenic elements in water, the people in West Bengal are affected by cancer. Even in my constituency Balurghat in West Bengal, people are facing acute shortage of drinking water particularly in Tapan and Banshihari blocks. These two blocks do not get adequate drinking water throughout the year. In these two blocks i.e., Tapan and Banshihari, the high powered tube wells fail to supply drinking water. It is due to sloppy areas. So, it requires Public Health Engineering for supply of regular drinking water. There are some geographical causes due to which these two blocks i.e, Tapan and Banshihari do not get drinking water. So I request the Central Government to look into this matter as early as possible.