Title: Need to cover Jhargram Parliamentary Constituency in West Bengal under the Co-ordinated Programme on Resource Management and Development for empowerment of SCs & STs.-laid.

SHRI PULIN BIHARI BASKE (JHARGRAM): Jhargram Parliamentary Constituency (ST) is one of the most backward areas in the country. More than 50 per cent of total inhabitant of this constituency belongs to Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe Community. The Government of West Bengal has been trying their best for the socio-economic development of these communities within its limited financial capability. The Maoists are disturbing this area and they could not allow the State Government to develop the area. They are continuing the killing of innocent tribal people. More than 200 tribals has been killed since last Lok Sabha Election. They have captured the poor people and forced them to engage in Maoists activities.

So, I urge upon the Ministry of Science and Technology to cover Lalgarh area and other parts of my Jhargram Parliamentary Constituency, West Bengal under the Coordinated Programme on Resource Management and Development for Empowerment of SCs and STs.