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Title: Need to control the erosion caused by river Bhagirathi in West Bengal-laid.

SHRI ADHIR CHOWDHURY (BAHARAMPUR): The river Bhagirathi in West Bengal has been under constant state of erosion. Many towns and cities apart from hundreds of villages are situated along the course of river Bhagirathi. Even the great religious reformer Sri Chaitanya once started preaching his religion of love from the holy place Nabadeep which is also endangered by the massive erosion of river.

One after another village has also gone into extinction on account of the erosion. People who reside on the bank of Bhagirathi do not know when their houses, lands will be wiped out as everything depends upon the mercy of the river.

I would, therefore, urge upon this Government to take remedial measures in consultation with State Government to ward off the threat of erosion caused by river Bhagirathi in West Bengal.