Title: Need to expedite the process to complete the conservation work of Jagannath temple at Puri before Nabakalebar festival.

DR. KULMANI SAMAL (JAGATSINGHPUR): I thank you very much for giving me time to raise an important issue in this august House. The Mahakalebar ceremony of Sree Jagannath is going to be held on the eve of car festival in 2015. To celebrate such an auspicious occasion, the conservation work of Jagannath Temple at Puri was undertaken with the help of Archeological Survey of India.

Keeping in view the importance of the occasion, around 50 lakh pilgrims will rush to the temple site. So, it is necessary to expedite the process to complete the conservation work of sensitive subsidiary shrines inside the temple complex as per the time period, that is before Nabakalebar Festival takes place. Thank you.

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY): Madam, I just want to congratulate you that in your presence so many hon. Members get an opportunity to raise issues of national importance. ...(Interruptions)