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Title: Need to declare the recent floods in Assam as a natural calamity.

**श्री बदरुद्दीन अजमल (धुबरी):** मैडम स्पीकर, इस वक्त पूरे हिन्दुस्तान में सूखा हो रहा है, ड्राउट हो रहा है, लेकिन हमारे असम में प्रीमॉनसून बारिश के कारण चाये तरफ तबाही हो रही है। साये पेपरों की कटिंग्स मैंने आपके पास भेजी हैं।

Like every year, this year also flood-like situation is looming over Assam as pre-monsoon rain with hailstorm and thunderbolts caused the havoc and sever tributaries of the Brahmaputra started to flow above the danger level. According to an official report by the Assam State Disaster Management Authority, the flood wave has caused the death of dozens of people so far, washed away thousands of houses, and damaged several thousand hectares of crop area, and destroyed crops, vegetables, etc.

The torrential rains have also triggered off massive landslides in Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland and Assam, disrupting railway traffic in the Luming-Badarpur hill section for the third consecutive day. Landslides have cut off Anjaw district in eastern Arunachal Pradesh and Mon district in Nagaland.

Over one lakh people are affected in several districts including my constituency Dhubri and Goalpara as well as Barpeta, Karimganj, Haliakandi, Nagaon, Sivasagar, Charaideo, Jorhat, Tinsukia, Dibrugarh and Cachar. They had to shift to 40 relief camps to save their lives.

I would like to request the Central Government to announce at least Rs. 1,000 crore for relief and rehabilitation of the affected people and deploy NDRF team in all the affected areas for rescue operation. I once again request for declaration of 'Flood and Erosion of Assam' as a 'National Calamity' and prepare a mechanism to fight the problem and find out a permanent solution.

DR. A. SAMPATH (ATTINGAL): Madam, I want to associate.

SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI (HYDERABAD): I also want to associate.

HON. SPEAKER: Okay, you can.

...(Interruptions)

HON. SPEAKER:

Shri Bhairon Prasad Mishra

Shri Radheshyam Biswas are permitted to associate with the issue raised by Shri Badruddin Ajmal.

Shri Malla Reddy.