Title: Need to evolve a permanent solution to control floods in Assam.

श्री **रामेश्वर तेली (डिबुगढ़) :** माननीय अध्यक्ष महोदया, मैं अपनी मातृभाÂषा असमी में बोलना चाहता हूं। अतः मुझे कृपया असमी भाषा में बोलने की अनुमति पूदान करें।

**Over the past several decades Assam has been suffering from the perennial problems of floods and resultant erosion. Lakhs of families have either been displaced or rendered homeless due to the devastation and destruction by floods. Every year Assam losses about 8000 hectares of land to rivers like the Brahmaputra and the Barak and their tributaries. Embankments also get breached inundating several places causing untold miseries and suffering to the people. Floods have pushed millions of people to an uncertain future having shattered Assam's fragile economy as a whole. The recurrence of floods and erosion continued to be a major obstacle towards development of Assam for decades. In fact the successive waves of devastating floods in almost every year have virtually destroyed the agriculture based economy of the state. I, therefore, appeal to the Government to find out a permanent solution to this serous issue so as to relieve the state of this problem and declare Assam's flood problem as national problem.

माननीय अध्यक्ष : माननीय सदस्य श्री रामेश्वर तेली द्वारा सदन में पूरतुत किए गए विÂाय से कंवर पुÂष्पेन्द्र सिंह चन्देल अपने आपको सम्बद्ध करते हैं_।