

Title: Need to take steps for a befitting celebration of birth centenary of Satish Samant, an eminent freedom fighter.

SHRI LAKSHMAN CHANDRA SETH (TAMLUK): In the wake of Quit India Movement, "Tamralipta Jatia Sarkar", a parallel Government surfaced under the leadership of Satish Samanta, eminent freedom fighter and former M.P. (Lok Sabha)> This parallel Government lasted for 21 months commencing from 17.12.1942. Satish Samanta was Rashtrapati of that Government, and commonly known as "Sarbadhi Nayak". He played a vital role in the establishment of Haldia Port. In the month of December, 1999 he will complete 100 years of his birth. Tamralipta Jatia Sarkar Smarak Committee has decided to celebrate his birth centenary in a dignified manner.

On the occasion of birth centenary of Satish Samanta, great hero of our country, I urge upon the Government to take necessary steps for (a) release a commemorative postage stamp; (b) celebration of birth anniversary by Central Government in dignified manner; (c) sufficient financial assistance to Tamralipta Jatia Sarkar Smarak Committee for celebration of birth centenary and (d) undertake welfare programmes to commemorate him in Tamluk and Haldia area of West Bengal.