

Sixteenth Lok Sabha

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Title: Need to conduct Environment Impact Analysis in the country

SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE (MUMBAI SOUTH CENTRAL): Madam Speaker, I thank you for allowing me to raise a matter of urgent public importance.

Madam, I would like to draw the kind attention of the House to the environmental issue pertaining to Flamingo migratory birds. Every year thousands of flamingos fly from Kutch in Gujarat and stay in Mumbai for around six months. They arrive in November and leave by June. But the best time to see them is during January to March. Various other birds like Black-headed Ibis, Black-tailed Godwit, Western Reef-egret, River Tern, Sandpiper, Green Shank, Herons, Egrets, Cranes, Wagtails, Swallows and some others can also be seen.

M/s M. Palanji Company has received the contract for the removal of coal mines from the Tata Power Company in Mahul. The company has been given a place by the Government at Uran, but the company does not use this place. Instead, they are putting mud near the Mahul Creek. Since the Gulf mole biological property and mangroves are destroyed, the flamingos coming to Mahul and Sewri are also affected. Therefore, strict action should be taken against the company so that the residents of Mahul can get justice. There are more than 450 fishermen in this area and these fishermen foster traditional practices. But now the time has come for them to starve. Today, there is a whole change in the environment of the area. Therefore, a new Environment Impact Analysis should be conducted for the same. So, I would like to request the hon. Union Minister of Environment and Forests to intervene in this matter.

**माननीय अध्यक्ष :** कुँवर पुणेपेद्र सिंह चन्देल, श्री श्रीरंग आप्पा बारणे, श्री अरविंद सावंत एवं श्री संजय हरिभाऊ जाधव को श्री राहुल शेवाले द्वारा उठाए गए विषय के साथ संबद्ध करने की अनुमति प्रदान की जाती है।