## Concern over high level of pollution in rivers flowing through Bagpat, Uttar Pradesh

SHRI BRIJLAL (Uttar Pradesh): Sir, the status of the "Cancer River" in Bagpat, Uttar Pradesh, remains dire. The Krishna, Kali, and Hindon rivers, which flow through this region, are heavily contaminated with industrial pollutants, including heavy metals like mercury and lead. This pollution has severely impacted the health of local residents, leading to high rates of cancer, bone deformities, and other serious illnesses. Efforts by the National Green Tribunal (NGT) have highlighted the failure to address these issues effectively. Despite orders to provide clean drinking water and improve health monitoring, little progress has been made. Many residents continue to rely on contaminated water for daily use causing health problems. This has resulted in untimely death and a large number of other ailments. This problem has been there for over two decades and everyone has been highlighting the dangerous effects on the lives of residents and farmers of this area but little has been achieved. I earnestly urge the Central and State bodies involved in this area to make efforts to eradicate this problem by making war level efforts and save the lives of residents and the future generations. I also urge for a time-bound action on the issue as this problem is increasing despite making best efforts. Thank you, Madam.

THE VICE-CHAIRPERSON (MS. KAVITA PATIDAR): The following hon. Member associated himself with the Special Mention made by hon. Member, Shri Brijlal: Dr. Sasmit Patra (Odisha).

The House stands adjourned to meet at 11.00 A.M. on Thursday, the  $25^{\text{th}}$  July, 2024.

The House then adjourned at thirty-eight minutes past six of the clock till eleven of the clock on Thursday, the 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2024.