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Title : Regarding provision of FTTH connections for online classes in Attappadi, Palakkad district in Kerala -laid.

**SHRI V. K. SREEKANDAN (PALAKKAD):** Attappadi is a taluk in Palakkad district in Kerala and majority of people living there are tribals. It is mostly a hilly region, lacking communication facilities. The students are facing a lot of difficulties in attending online classes owing to poor or equal to nil mobile/internet connectivity in Attappadi. About 80 per cent students of this taluk are missing online classes regularly because of poor mobile or internet connectivity. This issue can be sorted out by providing Fibre to the House (FIIH) connections immediately, and thereby, the students can attend online classes uninterruptedly. I have been given to understand that BBNL can provide FTTH connections in Attappadi taluk under the Common Service Centre Wi-Fi Choupal Project funded by the Universal Social Obligation Fund. Therefore, I urge upon the Government to provide FTTH connections in Attappadi on a time bound basis to ensure that the education of students is not affected due to poor mobile connectivity.