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Title: Request to take immediate action on the development of the heritage city Kanchipuram, Tamil Nadu as a full fledged heritage city under HRIDAY Scheme.

SHRI G. SELVAM (KANCHEEPURAM): Thank you, Sir, for giving me the opportunity to speak.

I would like to speak today on the Heritage City Development and Augmentation Yojana, HRIDAY. The first phase of the HRIDAY was to focus on 12 heritage cities including Kanchipuram, my constituency in Tamil Nadu.

The duration of the HRIDAY Scheme was 27 months which ended in March 2017. The scheme will be funded entirely by the Central Government. Based on the population of Kanchipuram in Tamil Nadu, the Government had allocated Rs.23.04 crore with the main objective to create infrastructure and provide facilities with the primary focus on sanitation, safety, security, accessibility and livelihood around the heritage sites to attract more and more tourists.

I would request the Urban Development Ministry to take immediate action on the development of the heritage city Kanchipuram, Tamil Nadu as a full-fledged heritage city as per the main objective of the HRIDAY Scheme.