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Title: Need to allocate funds for Hogenakkal Drinking Water Scheme in Tamil Nadu -laid.

SHRI DNV. SENTHILKUMAR S. (DHARMAPURI): My Parliamentary Constituency Dharmapuri is a drought-prone, most Backward District with ground water level having high content of Fluoride. The State Government, had started Hogenakkal Drinking Water Scheme from the River Cauvery for Dharmapuri and adjoining districts with the assistance of Rs 1700 crores from Japan. Hon. Speaker Sir, the excess water from the River is going unutilised and flowing into the sea.

I request the excess water should be utilised to fill the lakes in Dharmapuri District to increase the ground level water for Irrigation and drinking purposes. This can be done with the help of already existing pump stations.

Hence, I request the Ministry of Jal Shakti to allot Rs.540 crores for this Project to make the Prime Minister's promise of delivering potable water to every household a reality.

