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Seventeenth Loksabha

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Title: Issue regarding women's Reservation Bill.

SHRIMATI KANIMOZHI KARUNANIDHI: Thank you, Sir.

According to the NFHS-5 Data, women have outnumbered men in terms of population in India. But still India ranks at a dismal position of 146 in women's representation in the country.

It has been 25 years since the Women's Reservation Bill was introduced, but nothing has happened. It was once passed in the Rajya Sabha. This Government, in their Election Manifesto, promised to pass this Bill, but they have not done anything about it.

Sir, more than 22 Questions, both Starred and Unstarred, have been asked since 2014 about this Bill. But the same answers have been given.

माननीय अध्यक्ष : शून्य काल में आपकी मांग क्या है? Put only demand.

SHRIMATI KANIMOZHI KARUNANIDHI: Yes, Sir. I have asked thrice about this Bill and got the same answer: "The Government is making a deep study; it is under careful consideration."

Sir, I want to know, when will this 'deep study', 'careful consideration' and 'trying to create a consensus among all the political parties' end? When will the Bill be passed? Thank you. ... (*Interruptions*)

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Sir, we all associated on this. ... (*Interruptions*)

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HON. SPEAKER: Shri M.V.V. Satyanarayana: Not present.

Shrimati Himadri Singh.

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