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## Sixteenth Loksabha

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Title: Regarding the welfare measures to be taken for the Tribal farmers.

\*SHRIMATI V. SATHYABAMA (TIRUPPUR): Hon. Deputy Speaker Sir, Vanakkam. The Bargur hills of Anthiyur Taluk in Erode district in my Tirupur Parliamentary constituency can be considered as a "Horticulture Cluster" under Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH). The Bargur hill located in the Western Ghats of Erode at an elevation of 700 to 1000 MSL with the rainfall of 900 – 1000 mm per year. This will encourage the small farm holders to adopt new and appropriate technologies in cultivation of vegetable and aromatic crops to improve their livelihoods. This backward region should be supported by the Government of India for the welfare of small, marginal and tribal farmers of this region. I will be ever grateful to Hon. Union Minister if this suggestion of mine is considered and supported. Today is 'World Tribal Day'. I extend my heartfelt wishes to all the tribal people on this Day. Thank you.

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