

**Seventeenth Loksabha**

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**Title: Regarding preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) for sustainable water management in the Union Territory of Puducherry.-laid**

**SHRI VE. VAITHILINGAM (PUDUCHERRY):** The Puducherry and Karaikal regions are on the coast of Bay of Bengal. The flood and water stagnation occurs in the urban areas affecting the livelihood of the people and houses get inundated due to the flood waters damaging the households. In the rural areas, the farming gets affected very badly and the crops get damaged. The adhoc relief given by the Government to the farmers is very meager and they are struggling for their livelihood. On the contrary, during summer, there is acute shortage of water for agriculture in the rural area and unpotable water is being supplied for drinking purpose in the urban areas due to salinity. In order to overcome this we need flood management by conserving the flood water and utilizing the same during summer for agriculture as well as drinking water. I request the Hon'ble Minister for Jal Shakti to depute a team for preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) for sustainable water management in the Union Territory of Puducherry.