

**Title:** Need to provide financial assistance to State Government of Tamil Nadu to check sea erosion between Container Terminals at Chennai Port and Ennore Port.

SHRI C. KUPPUSAMI (MADRAS NORTH): Sir, the stretch between Container Terminal at Chennai Port near Royapuram to Ennore Port is affected by sea erosion. The only road which connects these two ports is also affected. Thousands of fishermen are living in this stretch in their hutments, who are badly affected by sea erosion and are virtually in the fear of their belongings being washed away.

Though the State Government is extending some assistance, with its limited resources, since it is a massive one, I request the Union Government to send a team to study the sea erosion problem there and to formulate a plan for erecting a wall, as a permanent measure, with adequate funds being made available, at the earliest.

---