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**Title:** Regarding need to depute experts to study the reasons of frequent earthquake in Kollam district, Kerala – Laid.

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SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH (ADOOR) : I bring to the notice of the Hon'ble House, earthquakes have been taking place in Kerala since 26<sup>th</sup> January, especially in most parts of my constituency in Kollam District, Kerala.

More than 2000 houses have developed major cracks and the people are very much afraid of the frequent earthquakes taking place regularly after the 26<sup>th</sup> January.

Hence, it is requested that the Central Government may take urgent and effective measures to clear the fear of the common man by deputing experts from the concerned departments and identify the areas to be affected and necessary preventive measures taken without waiting for a national calamity that may occur any time.

In the meantime, the victims of the earthquakes in my constituency may be compensated with adequate relief by way of financial assistance to renovate/repair their dwellings and help them lead a peaceful life in future.

The State Government may also be instructed to take urgent steps for extending necessary financial assistance to these victims.