Title: Need to set up a National Folklore Academy.

SHRI A.P. ABDULLAKUTTY (CANNANORE): Sir, there are Academies in our country like Kendriya Sahithya Akademi, Lalitkala Akademi and Music and Drama Akademi. But nobody thought of constituting a Folklore Academy, which is a necessity in this era. Due to globalisation, different types of arts in rural areas which focus our cultural heritage are slowly facing a natural death as there is no constructive work done from our side to bring them back to glory. Folk arts include tribal arts also. To preserve these forms of arts, the Central Government should take urgent initiative to constitute a Folklore Academy.