

**Title: Need to provide financial assistance to State Government of Tamil Nadu for setting up of modern effluent treatment plants in industrial areas of Namakkal and other adjoining districts.**

DR. V. SAROJA (RASIPURAM): In my constituency Rasipuram, Namakkal district and other adjoining districts, many sago industries are there. They are grown in large quantities and also exported. Lakhs of families depend upon these industries and tannery industry which are located in adjoining Villupuram district. But due to High Court orders, thousands of these units have been closed thereby rendering lakhs of workers unemployed affecting the local economy. The main objection of the High Court is that these industrial units discharge effluents.

I therefore urge upon the Government to extend adequate financial assistance for setting up of modern effluent treatment plants in Namakkal and other adjoining districts to protect sago and tannery industries and safeguard the interests of lakhs of workers.