Need to link Himalayan rivers with Peninsular rivers and clear the Ganga-Cauvery link Garland Canal Project.

DR. S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN (ARAKKONAM): Water is a natural resource and a precious one and its conservation and proper harnessing is the national duty. In this connection, there is an urgent need to link and take up the Ganga-Cauvery Garland Canal which was conceived in the last century.

In some way it would also solve the inter-State water disputes since water would be flowing throughout the year and it would pave the way for inland water transportation also.

I would, therefore, urge upon the hon. Prime Minister and the hon. Water Resource Minister to take up necessary action for linking Himalayan rivers with peninsular rivers, especially Ganga-Cauvery link Garland Canal.