Title: Need for construction of a dam on Uthra Cauveri River at Anaicut Block in Vellore District, Tamil Nadu.

SHRI N.T. SHANMUGAM (VELLORE): Sir, Village Taluka in Vellore District in Tamil Nadu is highly conducive of a number of agricultural and horticultural crops. The economy of this region has the potentials to improve due to agricultural products provided water resource problem is tackled. The people from this region have to struggle with poor rainfall and inadequate water resource for drinking water and irrigation purpose. A number of villages face acute scarcity of drinking water. I am sure if the entire rain water is harvested and stored in the reservoirs and tanks, the region can very well meet the water demand for irrigating over 50,000 acres of cultivable land and over 30 lakh people can be provided with the drinking water facility.

This can only be possible if the Government of India initiates immediately for construction of Melarasambut Dam on Uthra Cauveri River at Anaicut Block in Vellore District, which is in my parliamentary constituency.

I, therefore, urge upon the Government, through you, Sir, an immediate intervention for the construction of a dam on the Uthra Cauveri River to solve the problem of water scarcity.

15.00 hrs.

MR. CHAIRMAN (SHRI P.H. PANDIAN): I give another chance.