Title: Request to convert the State Highway into National Highway from Tirunalveli to Tenkasi in Tamil Nadu.

SHRI S. MURUGESAN (TENKASI): Mr. Deputy-Speaker Sir, I thank you for giving me this opportunity to raise a matter of public importance. I would urge upon the Central Government through you to convert the State Highway into National Highway from Tirunalveli to Tenkasi in Tamil Nadu. Tuticorin and Cochin are two major ports of our country. A large quantum of goods are transported through the State Highway between Cochin and Tuticorin. This is the main route and the shortest one from Tuticorin to Tirunalveli, from Tirunalveli to Tenkasi and from Tenkasi to Cochin. Both Tuticorin-Tirunalveli and Tenkasi-Cochin Highways have already been converted into National Highways. But the State Highway from Tirunalveli to Tenkasi of only 53 kms. alone has not been converted into a National Highway.

In view of the circumstances mentioned above, I request the Central Government to covert this State Highway into a National Highway.