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Title: Regarding need for taking over of the Bio-technology Centre at Trivandrum, Kerala by the Central Government.

SHRI VARKALA RADHAKRISHNAN (CHIRAYINKIL): Bio-technology offers immense possibilities for our country. The first Bio-technology centre in the country was set up at Trivandrum in the name of late Shri Rajiv Gandhi. But the proposal of the State Government that the Government of India may take over the Institute to develop it to the world class centre for Bio-technology has not yet found favour with the Government of India, though it has been declared that development of Bio-technology is a priority subject of the Government.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Shri Hannan Mollah - not present.

Shri P. Karunakaran - not present[R30].