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Title : Issue regarding linking of rivers in the country.

SHRI M. SHIVANNA (CHAMRAJANAGAR) :Sir, "Work for the nation, talk for the nation, live for the nation" with this slogan Mr. Devaraj, Manager, State Bank of Mysore started his padyatra from Kanyakumar on 12.01.2006 and reached Delhi. At Bangalore he was joined by Mr. G.N. Shetty on 14.08.2006 and his

*English Translation of the Speech Originally delivered in Kannada and also laid on the Table.

Guru, Dr. Kalyana Raman's Seven Volumes give all microscopic details of 60

rivers with 30 links. This unique study is entirely different from V.K.R.V. Rao's suggestion and Dastur Committee's report. The Government need not spend a single penny and it can be done on the lines of "Konkan Railway Construction" and "Road Construction by NICE" in Karnataka State. The Government sources put the expenditure for linking these rivers at Rs.5,60,000/- crores whereas Dr. Kalyana Raman enunciates that it can be done with less than 1.5 lakh crores of rupees.

The entire work should be taken as Northern Grid and Southern Grid. The river water should be stored in tanks and then it should flow gradually. This avoids soil erosion and enables the ground water level to come up.

Hundreds of deaths during floods and huge loss of property can be solved permanently.

The "TEN COMMANDEMENTS' contained in these books are revolutionary and deserve the kind and immediate consideration of the high level Cabinet Committee as they can pave way for the progress and prosperity of this largest democracy on earth.