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Title : Need to provide necessary funds to construct bridges in Dharapuram and Kangayam Taluks in Palani Parliamentary Constituency, Tamil Nadu.

SHRI S.K. KHARVENTHAN (PALANI): Sir, Amaravathi River is one of the perennial rivers in Tamil Nadu and it is crossing Palani Parliamentary Constituency in Dharapuram and Kangayam Taluks. Large number of villages are located at both sides of the river. During rainy season, large quantity of water flows in Amaravathi River. During that time, the public residing at Sankarandampalayam and nearby villages have to go a long distance to reach Dharapuram. The agriculturists also have to spend more money to transport their goods to Dharapuram Market or any other market. If there is any medical urgency, it is not easy to reach the nearest hospital. Students have to reach their schools by bicycle with great difficulty. They are not able to reach on time. Everyday, large number of young boys and girls are going to textile mills and they are also struggling hard to reach Dharapuram and other nearby towns. Hence bridges are very necessary to connect:-

- (i) Athukal Pudur to Sellakumaragoundanpudur;
- (ii) Peramium to Sankarandampalayam Village; and
- (iii) Kumarasamy Kottai to Chellandiammankoil in Selvi Nagar.

It is a long-pending request of the public of that region.

Hence, I urge upon the Union Government to allocate necessary funds to construct the above bridges to mitigate the sufferings of the people of the region.