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Title : Need to develop Courtallam water falls in Tenkasi Parliamentary Constituency in Tamil Nadu as a tourist spot.

SHRI P. LINGAM (TENKASI): Courtallam water falls situated in the Western ghats is in my Tenkasi Lok Sabha constituency. It is a Nature's boon with scenic beauty and abundant herbs drawing people from many places as a traditional tourist spot from time immemorial as it is also known as pothigai hills referred to even in our epics.

During South West Monsoon Season between June and September the ever continuing drizzle that give rise to flooded flow in the Courtallam falls gushes water with herbal medicinal qualities. There is also a second season during North East Monsoon. About 25 lakhs people throng this tourist spot every year. The neighbouring Papanasam and also the Pamba and Achan Kovil rivers in the adjacent Kerala are all traditionally attracting the public as they are beautiful places. Rare herbs and fruits and trees add beauty to this picnic spot. But the lack of infrastructure has been greatly affecting both the locals and the tourists.

Hence, I urge upon the both the Centre and the State Governments to take steps to develop this ancient tourist spot. I also urge upon the Union Government to enhance the infrastructure of this tourist resort as it attracts people from various parts of the country.

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