Title: Need to set up a corporation for the welfare of economically backward people in the country.

SHRI KODIKKUNNIL SURESH (MAVELIKKARA): Madam Speaker, I would like to draw the attention of this august House to an important matter which has been raised by many parties during debates in this House and in many social and media debates. There are crores of people in our country who are considered as forward class but are economically backward. They are also in need of Government attention for their economic upliftment.

Successive Governments have taken steps for the welfare of Scheduled Cates, Scheduled Tribes, other backward communities and to some extent for minority communities but in their endeavour they have overlooked the fact that there are crores of people who belongs to forward communities but are economically, socially and educationally backward.

Strong demands have been raised in the country for their economic upliftment. I am happy to bring to the notice of this House that the Government of Kerala has announced setting up of a Corporation for the welfare of economically backward among the forward communities. This is a step in the right direction. Such Corporation is needed to be set up at national level. This will ensure certain facilities to people who are economically backward but are deprived of these facilities because they belong to the forward communities.

I, therefore, request the Union Government to immediately set up a Corporation for the welfare of economically backward among the forward communities. The Corporation can be set up with a corpus of Rs. 100 crore. Setting up of such a Corporation will ensure educational, social and economic upliftment of economically backward people among the forward communities. This will also help in creating a right kind of atmosphere in the country.

I hope that the Government of India will seriously think over my suggestions.

MADAM SPEAKER: Shrimati Botcha Jhansi Lakshmi associated herself with the matter raised by Shri Kodikkunnil Suresh.

अध्यक्ष महोदया : श्री राजाराम पाल जी, आप अपने आपको इससे सम्बद्ध कर लीजिए, क्योंकि एक ही विषय है इसलिए आप सम्बद्ध कर लीजिए।