Title: Need to fill up the vacant posts of teachers in Kendriya Vidyalaya at Dharamapuri in Tamil Nadu and also upgrade the school to higher-secondary level.

SHRI R. THAMARAISELVAN (DHARMAPURI): The Kendriya Vidyalaya at village Kuppur in my parliamentary constituency was opened way back in 2007 which was upgraded to Xth standard. The total students enrolled as of now is 450. The total sanctioned strength of teachers for this only Kendriya Vidyalaya in my constituency is 27, but as on date there is only 13 teachers working and the remaining posts of teachers are lying vacant for a long time. The pupil-teacher ratio at this school is 1:36 which is very low as far as Kendriya Vidyalayas are concerned. Because of the high percentage of lack of teachers at this Kendriya Vidyalayas, the quality of education has suffered and the study of the students has been hampered and their academic future is at peril. Moreover, there has also been a demand to upgrade this school upto XII standard as the students studying in this school are facing a lot of difficulties in getting admission for higher standards and it becomes very difficult after these students qualify Xth standard. Therefore, I urge upon the Hon'ble Minister to immediately direct the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan to fill up the vacant posts of teachers in Kendriya Vidyalayas at Dharmapuri urgently as well as to take immediate steps to upgrade this school upto XIIth standard.