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Title: Need to increase the quota of Kerosene to Kerala under PDS.

SHRI N. PEETHAMBARA KURUP (KOLLAM): The household units using kerosene for cooking their food and the fishing community who use kerosene to energise their small machanised boats are facing a lot of difficulty due to shortage of supply of kerosene in Kerala. It has been seen that the kerosene supplied through the Public Distribution System in the State has been curtailed due to short supply of the same from the Central Govt.

Severe shortage of kerosene resulted in hoarding and black marketing of the same in Kerala. Of late, kerosene is not available even in the black market. The fishing community is facing difficulty to go to the sea without their mechanised Yamaha boats for fishing. Inadequate arrival of sea products resulted in price rise and shortage of fish in Kerala.

I, therefore, urge upon the Central Government to increase the quota of kerosene to Kerala at the earliest.