Title: Need to set up an Indian Institute of Technology in Kerala.

SHRI M.B. RAJESH (PALAKKAD): The establishment of an IIT is a long standing dream of the people of Kerala. The State Government has time and again informed the Central Government that Kerala is ready to render all facilities for the setting up of IIT. The Chief Minister has made representation to Hon'ble Prime Minister twice. The Prime Minister and the Central Government had assured that the Genuine demand of the State will be fulfilled. Even though eight new IITs were announced in the last Independence Day speech of Hon'ble Prime Minister, Kerala was again left out. Being a State which has achieved impressive achievements in the sphere of education, Kerala has every reason to demand an IIT. I urge upon the Government of India to fulfil its assurance of setting up an IIT in Kerala in this financial years itself.