Title: Issue regarding harassing/attacking the fishermen of Tamil Nadu by Sri Lankan Navy.

SHRI O.S. MANIAN (MAYILADUTHURAI): Thank you, hon. Chairman, Sir. I would like to bring to the attention of the House the serious concern of the safety and well-being of the fishermen of Tamil Nadu who are now being attacked almost on a daily basis by the Sri Lankan Navy/miscreants. Our hon. Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Puratchi Thalavi Amma has written to the hon. Prime Minister about the detention, immediate intervention and release of 16 Tuticorin fishermen who have been detained by the Sri Lankan Navy. These frequent incidents of arrest and detention of Tamil Nadu fishermen crossing the International Maritime Boundary line which is very close to the shore of Indian cities like Tuticorin, Rameshwaram, Kodiyakarai, etc. causes unrest in Tamil Nadu. This also creates a lot of tension and unrest among the fishermen in Tamil Nadu. There has been a uniform pattern of the personnel of the Sri Lankan Navy harassing/attacking the fishermen of Tamil Nadu.

I would like to ask the hon. Prime Minister, through you, Sir, for the immediate and permanent solution for the fishermen of Tamil Nadu.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Shri Bishnu Pada Ray. Please be brief.

SHRI BISHNU PADA RAY (ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS): I will just make my points only regarding the Mahatma Gandhi Government College, Mayabundar....(*Interruptions*)

MR. CHAIRMAN: You tell it briefly. Your name is not in the main list. We are giving you an opportunity as a special case. Please be very brief. Do not take much time.