Title: Regarding establishment of temporary rescue centres for stray crocodiles in Neyveli, Tamil Nadu.

SHRI A. ARUNMOZHITHEVAN (CUDDALORE): Hon. Deputy Speaker, Sir, many thanks to hon. Makkal Mudhalvar Puratchi Thalaivi, Amma. I thank you for giving me this opportunity to raise an important issue regarding establishment of temporary rescue centres for stray crocodiles in Neyveli, Tamil Nadu.

Stray crocodiles are found in large numbers in Kollidam river, Veeranam lake and its canals. Due to the aggressive attack of these stray crocodiles found in water bodies, there have been a number of incidents of loss of precious human lives and that of animals. There is an urgent need to control this crocodile menace. I have sent a proposal regarding immediate establishment of temporary rescue centre, to the hon. Minister of Environment and Forests, Government of India. The District Collector, Cuddalore has also represented the matter.

I, therefore, urge upon the Union Government to immediately set up a temporary rescue centre for stray crocodiles in my constituency, Neyveli and protect the precious lives of human beings and animals. Thank you.