Title: Need to give Central Government's share in the development of agriculture sector in Tamil Nadu.

SHRI R.K. BHARATHI MOHAN (MAYILADUTHURAI): Hon. Chairman, Sir, thank you for giving me this opportunity.

With the guidance of hon. people's Chief Minister, *Puratchi Thalaivi Amma*, the Tamil Nadu Government has allotted a record amount of Rs.6,613.68 crore for agriculture in its Budget for the year 2015-16. Various special schemes have also been proposed in this Budget for the development of agriculture and for the welfare of farmers such as forming of Tamil Nadu Seed Development Agency, construction of store houses with air condition facility, etc.

In this connection, I request the Central Government to lend its share in the development of agriculture in Tamil Nadu.

- 1. The drip irrigation scheme may be implemented with 100 per cent subsidy by the Central Government.
- 2. Central Agriculture University may be started in the delta district.
- 3. Funds may be released for de-silting of channels and rivers by the Central Government.
- 4. Electricity may be provided from the Central share for agriculture purposes.
- 5. The ICAR may come forward to start research station for oil seeds and cashew in Tamil Nadu.