title: Regarding issue of bio-metric Identity cards to the fishermen of Srikakulam in Andhra Pradesh.

SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU (SRIKAKULAM): The district of Srikakulam has one of the biggest coastlines in the country. The district has about 1,00,000 fishermen population. The government has recently taken up a drive to provide Bio-metric ID Cards to fishermen for their welfare and to help them get better recognition and benefits. The date allotted to Srikakulam for the purpose was 15th April to 22nd April, but still there are about 10,000 fishermen who are yet to be covered under the scheme. I request the government to kick start the campaign to start the enrollment once again right now as there is a ban on fishing during the period between 15th April and 5th June and this is the time usually motorized and mechanized boat owners and crew members will be available. There is another scenario which is specific to my constituency. There are about 20,000 fishermen who migrate to other ports to seek employment. They go to all the major ports in Gujarat, Karnataka, Chennai, Visakhapatnam, etc. and this is the time all of these migrant workers come back home. When the people go out for their employment, their employers usually demand for these Bio-metric-ID cards and the lack of this is causing a huge problem. Therefore, I once again request the government to conduct another enrollment camp for their benefit.