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Title: Issue regarding financial guarantee for development projects in Kerala.

ADV. A.M. ARIFF (ALAPPUZHA): Sir, the Kerala Government is trying to build itself as one of the most important States. ... *(Interruptions)* Unfortunately, the Central Government has become an obstacle to the development of Kerala State. ... *(Interruptions)* The Centre and the State had agreed, in principle, to build a semi-high speed railway line that would drastically reduce the travel time between Thiruvananthapuram and Kasaragod to less than four hours. ... *(Interruptions)* The Central Government changed the track and said to us that they are unwilling to give financial guarantee for the projects. ... *(Interruptions)* The Centre seems to succumb to the pressure exerted by the nexus. ... *(Interruptions)* It has back-peddled on the Sabarimala Airport. ... *(Interruptions)* Thiruvananthapuram-Chengannur suburban highway and other critical infrastructure projects such as ... *(Interruptions)*

The other demand is for you. ... *(Interruptions)*